

### MINUTES EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING January 26, 2018

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Education Advisory Committee was called to order by Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz PhD, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education, at 9:00 a.m. at the Board of Nursing, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Ste. 300, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 and via videoconference with the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE Board Director of Nursing Education, Chair Kimberly Baxter, DNP, APRN, FNP Sherrilyn Coffman, PhD, RN John Coldsmith, RN, MSN, DNP, NEA-BC Judith Cordia, PhD, MSN, RN Jody Covert, MSN, RN Amber Donnelli, PhD, RN, CNE Tricia Gatlin, PhD, RN, CNE Josh Hamilton, RN, NP, CNE Judith Hightower, PhD, M.Ed, RN Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA Julia Millard, MSN, RN Branden Murphy, BSN, RN Renegade Scott-Feagle, MSN/Ed, RN, CNOR Julie Siemers, DNP, RN Marianne Tejada, DNP, MSN, RN, PHN

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN Irene Coons, PhD, RN, CNE Mya Daily, BSN, RN, CFRN, NRP Andrea Gee, RN Andrea Highfill, MSN, RN

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Jeannette Calderon, Education Support Specialist, NSBN Rebecca Benfield, PhD, CNM Mary Bondmass, PhD, RN, CNE Adriane Gardner Emelda Jones, PhD (c), RN Lauren Jones, PhD, RN Brian C. Oxhorn, PhD, RN LaTricia Perry, MSN, RN Aliya Smith CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by C. Prato at 9:00 a.m.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

- C. Prato informed the committee regarding the hot topics in nursing education: interactive panel she attended during the 2018 NCSBN Annual Institute of Regulatory Excellence Conference on January 23-25, 2018. Nursing education topics included, gap between education and practice, curriculum models, clinical experience and faculty shortage. She acknowledged the committee and its workgroups for their continued work on some of these issues that are affecting nursing education nationwide.
- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the October 26, 2017 meetings were reviewed and approved as written.

## B. OLD BUSINESS –

- 1. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on faculty ratio regulations and standards: Dr. Amber Donnelli the workgroup chair informed the committee that the group reviewed the Request for Waiver of Faculty Education Requirements Board policy and will be making recommendation to revise. Revisions to the policy include, change in language to clarity waiver only applies to clinical faculty, remove requirement that faculty enroll in a master's program, revise requirements of practice experience from five to four years; two years of practice must be in the area the clinical faculty will be teaching, and annual update of clinical faculty development plan. Revisions to the policy will return to the next meeting for committee approval.
- 2. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on facilitating competency in clinical faculty: Dr. Judith Hightower the workgroup chair provided a report. The group meet on January 25, 2018 to recap on the discussion during 2017 meetings. The workgroup will be working to develop modules on topics related to clinical faculty duties. There was discussion regarding posting of the modules a centralized location for new and returning clinical faculty, possibly on the Board's website. Other resources may include a section on frequently asked questions. Modules will be a foundation for clinical faculty in Nevada; nevertheless, each program may have additional institutional specific expectations.
- 3. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on facilitating collaboration between faculty and facility partnerships: There is no report from the workgroup.
- 4. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on the simulation taskforce: C. Prato informed the committee that Dr. Jessica Doolen the workgroup chair has meet with the group and were able to identify the top five reasons patients are admitted to the hospitals in Nevada. The group will work towards developing one standardize simulation scenario for each of the top five reasons of Nevada hospitalization.

# C. NEW BUSINESS –

- 1. Review and discussion regarding NCLEX first time pass rates for 2017: C. Prato shared the end of year 2017 NCLEX pass rate report. Nevada is third in the national for the NCLEX-RN and twenty-sixth for the NLCEX-PN; both are above the national average score.
- 2. Review and discussion regarding creation of the Las Vegas Nursing Summit: L. Jones introduced her networking strategies for nursing administrators in Nevada.
- 3. Review, discussion and action regarding University of Nevada, Las Vegas' dedicated education unit 1:10 faculty to student ratio: Removed.
- 4. Review, discussion and action regarding Truckee Meadows Community College change in curriculum from a 5 semester to a 6 semester program: Director of Nursing Jody Covert provided a handout of proposed curriculum change. Students are not doing well in 5 semester curriculum due to the fast track biology course which has impacted the HESI admission. 5 semester curriculum has also created

conflicts with clinical, skills and simulation scheduling. TMCC will also request the Board approve to increase enrollment from 32 to 40 students twice a year. It was moved and seconded the committee approve the change in curriculum. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Review and discussion regarding NCLab, Inc. and the integration of IT curriculum in nursing programs: C. Prato introduced Vas Kamyshanov, Chief Commercial Officer for NCLab, Inc. V. Kamyshanov discussed and presented integrating technology into nursing curricula to increase critical thinking. Those who were interested in meeting with NCLab for further discussion were asked to contact Board staff.

# D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- Reports from workgroups
- Mountain Measurement analysis by Dr. Donnelli
- Agency and school polices regarding absences due to the flu
- Continue discussion with NCLab, Inc.
- Meeting with faculty teaching the final senior course, which includes NCLEX preparation
- Grant for education conference/global nursing

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Prato informed the committee that Patricia 'Tricia' Gatlin is the new appointed committee member.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.