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three years.

- 2. Proposal for Conditional Licensure following Voluntary Surrender of License: was presented by the Disciplinary Coordinator. The proposal allows for a non-disciplinary conditional licensure option for those nurses who voluntarily surrendered their license (due to chemical dependency) on a non-disciplinary contract. Discussion ensued. It was ACTION moved and seconded to approve the proposal as presented. MOTION CARRIED. The Disciplinary Coordinator requested that the Board identify a Board member from the Northern area to participate in the evaluations of these nurses. Sydney Krampitz and Donna Legg may alternate participation. John Lujan and Sylvia Maxson have been participating in the evaluations of nurses from Las Vegas.
- 3. Request for addition of a Management Assistant to the Disciplinary Coordinator: was presented by the Disciplinary Coordinator. The request is for a temporary person to be hired immediately in Reno until the permanent Management Assistant is hired in Las Vegas. The position is needed to assist in cleaning up the backlog of cases and MACTION managing the case load. It was moved and seconded to approve the request as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

J. NURSING PRACTICE

- 1. UMC's Request for Advisory Opinion regarding nurses performing Apnea Tests to determine brain death; was presented by Elaine Young, R.N. The Practice Committee's recommendation and a previously written Attorney General's Opinion regarding nurses pronouncing death were noted. Discussion ensued. It was moved and seconded that apnea testing for confirmation of brain death is beyond the scope of nursing practice. MOTION CARRIED.
- 2. Rosemary L. Keanny's Request for Advisory Opinion regarding LPN's performing arterial blood draws: was presented by Ms. Keanny's written ACTION request. Discussion ensued. It was moved and seconded that arterial blood draws are not within the scope of LPN practice. MOTION CARRIED.
 - 3. <u>Discussion concerning nursing care being given in facilities</u>: item was withdrawn from this agenda, as the intended presenters were not available for this meeting.
 - 4. Discussion of proposed adoption of regulations by the Board of Medical Examiners which would allow Medical Assistants to perform nursing functions in physicians' offices: public hearings on the proposed regulations will be held in Reno and Las Vegas on July 6, 1990. Vicky Carwein and Donna Legg will present testimony at the hearings. The Disciplinary Coordinator will prepare additional concerns and specific examples for the Board members to introduce into testimony.