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, #B300, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 and via teleconference with the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and committee.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE Board Director of Nursing Education, Chair
Kimberly Baxter, DNP, APRN, FNP
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN
John Coldsmith, RN, MSN, DNP, NEA-BC
Irene Coons, PhD, RN, CNE
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
Julia Millard, MSN, RN
Brian Oxhorn, PhD, RN
Andrea Highfill, MSN, RN
Branden Murphy, BSN, RN
Marianne Tejada, DNP, MSN, RN, PHN

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Dinauer, Executive Director, NSBN
Frederick Olmstead, Esq. General Counsel, NSBN
Priscilla Nelson, Education Management Assistant, NSBN
Sharon Vincello, J.D., Executive Assistant, NSBN

PUBLIC COMMENT: Black & white coat – (school) will be starting a second BAC program. We are working on university approval. Couple of board meetings back, had asked for increase in enrollments 56-72
C. Dinauer commented that in regards to consortium, please bear with us as we are having training on Monday, January 14, 2019.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 4, 2018, the approval of the minutes was continued to the next EAC meeting.

B. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding workgroup follow-up report on faculty ratio regulations and standards. C. Prato introduced this item. C. Prato has been working with A. Donnelli and C. Dinauer on this. C. Dinauer provided a brief history of the most current policy draft and recommended we keep the original policy which is in compliance with the law. It was moved and seconded that with good cause, upon speaking to the Dean, the Executive Director may extend the faculty waiver of a year by one year. MOTION CARRIED.
2. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on facilitating competency in clinical faculty. J. Hightower reported there was no update at this time. If the workgroup can get a few more members and the current member would like to stay, J. Hightower will schedule a meeting.

3. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on facilitating collaboration between faculty and facility partnerships. B. Oxhorn will have a report at the next meeting.

4. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on the simulation taskforce. B. Turner, one of founding members for NV Resource Simulation Task Force, reported that they have gone through and collected data for the sepsis. They will be piloting in a few schools CSN, AZ, UNLV. B. Turner hopes that in March we will be able to collect this data. They meet once a month, trying to bring forth simulations we can use nationwide, and that we can use at facilities that are evidence-based. Next meeting will be February 5, 2019, and March 5, 2019. C. Prato is excited for the sepsis study.

C. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Review and discussion regarding NCLEX year-to-date pass rates for 2018. C. Prato introduced this item and provided a handout. C. Prato will be reporting these scores at the board meeting next week. Last week Nevada was seventh in the nation.

2. Review and discussion regarding creation of a directory of school leadership and faculty. C. Prato introduced the item. Dr. Coons explained she wanted to start directory, sent out one email, got no response. Dr. Coontz will be reaching out again to make a list of who are overseeing your programs, so please answer her email.

3. Review and discussion regarding policies about gifts given to faculty by students CPL introduced. Dr. Coons explained this came up again and wanted to talk to other school and colleagues. C. Dinauer explained that her understanding was for the schools that fall under NSHE, they follow the state administrative manual which very specific about gifts. It’s a 300 page doc. C. Dinauer will send that to you. J. Hightower suggested it could be a policy in student handbook to not give gifts. K. Baxter agreed, saying students are using it as horizontal warfare…putting it in the student handbook it will eliminate that.

D. RECOMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

1. incorporating clinical judgment assessments
2. changes to NCLEX

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Judy commented there will be a meeting at NSHE regarding how many nurses graduate in Nevada and stay in Nevada to work, how many we admit, etc., to address the shortage.
- K. Baxter wished everyone a Happy New Year
- Dr. Coons thanked A. Donnelli for her hard work on the waiver policy.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.