

Nevada State Board of  
**NURSING**

**MINUTES**  
**EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**August 9, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Education Advisory Committee was called to order by Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice and Abbie Purney, DNP, APRN, CCNS, 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 videoconference with the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kimberly Baxter, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC  
Brian C. Oxhorn, PhD, RN  
Jody Covert, MSN, RN  
Judith Cordia, EdD, RN  
Mary Chalfant, MS, RN  
Amber Donnelly, PhD, RN, CNE  
Tricia Gatlin, PhD, RN, CNE  
Ruby Wertz, MSHA, BSN, RN  
Nancy, Hence-Cywinski, RN, BSN, MS, NHA

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Irene Coons, PhD, RN, CNE  
Julia Millard, MSN, RN  
Branden Murphy, BSN, RN  
Kyle Salinas, Student Nurse

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Abbie Purney, DNP, APRN, CCNS, Director of Nursing Education, Chair  
Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice  
Kimberly Arguello, Esq, General Counsel  
Fred Olmstead, Esq, General Counsel  
Christie Daliposon, Discipline Support Investigator  
Wendy Merchant MSN, RN Director, Arizona College Nursing Program  
Vicki Walker, DNP, RN, Campus President, Chamberlain University

Deborah Ain, RN  
Nanette Azevedo, RN, College of Southern Nevada  
Susan Holm MSN-Ed, RN, RN Department Chair, Las Vegas College  
Toni Downen DNP, RN, CEN, LPN Department Chair, Las Vegas College  
Kim Lamar, DN, MSN, RN, Sr. Director, Campus Operations: West Region, Chamberlain University  
Barbara Halle MSN, NPD, RN-BC, State Licensing and Regulation, Chamberlain University

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by S. McCord and A. Purney at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the October 12, 2018, January 11, 2019, and April 12, 2019 meetings were approved as written. Motion Carried
- B. OLD BUSINESS
1. Board meeting follow up: May and July 2019 meetings: S. McCord presented this item. The Board inquired how the committees are working without a Board liaison; it was reported to them that they are functioning well. The APRN Committee added 4 new members. The Board has placed a member limit of 12 on those committees that are not regulated by law. The Board would also like recommendations from Board staff on any new applicants for the committees.
- C. NEW BUSINESS –
1. Review and discussion regarding Open Meeting Law: K. Arguello presented this item; she referenced the attorney general Open Meeting Law (OML) manual. This committee is a sub committee of the Board as are all the committees the Board has which subjects them to the OML requirements. OML allows for the public to be aware of what the Board is doing. Agendas must be posted and phrased so anyone that reads it knows what the committee is acting on or talking about. Also, without a quorum the committee cannot act on any item that requires it. The job of the committees is to advise the Board on items that may come before them. S. McCord also mentioned that all the meetings are recorded and that members must state their names prior to speaking so it is on record. The recordings are public information.
  2. Review and discussion regarding NCLEX first quarter pass rates: A. Purney presented this item. It was noted that all the schools are above the 80% pass rate at this time in the state.
  3. Review, discussion and action regarding possible recommendation to the Board for provisional approval of Las Vegas College Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Diploma program: the committee discussed the request for provisional approval. It was moved and seconded to recommend to the Board the acceptance of Las Vegas College Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Diploma program for provisional approval. Motion Carried.
  4. Review, discussion and action regarding possible recommendation to the Board for approval of Las Vegas College LPN diploma program to begin enrollment of 24 students: It was clarified to the committee that Las Vegas College LPN program would like to admit 24 students 2 times a year and then starting in 2020 they would admit 24 students 4 times a year. The committee discussed the potential employment opportunities to admit these many students a year and if there was a need for LPNs. T. Downen stated there is a need within the community for LPNs. It was moved and seconded to recommend to the Board the approval of 24 students to be admitted to Las Vegas College LPN program. Motion carried.
  5. Review, discussion and action regarding possible recommendation to the Board for approval of Las Vegas College LPN diploma program to use 50% simulation to meet the OB clinical requirements: The committee discussed the lack of clinical sights for the OB and maternal/child clinical rotation for LPN students. The committee decided not to take any action on this agenda item.
  6. Review, discussion and action regarding possible recommendation to the Board for approval of new Administrator of Chamberlain College of Nursing, Vicki L. Walker, DNP, MSN, RN, BS: The committee reviewed the information submitted by Chamberlain College of Nursing. It was moved and seconded to recommend to the Board the approval of new administrator Vicki L. Walker, DNP, MSN, RN, BS for Chamberlain College of Nursing. Motion Carried.
  7. Review, discussion and action regarding possible recommendation to the Board for approval of curriculum sequence change of Arizona College BSN program: W. Merchant presented this item to the committee; the Arizona College is only asking for a curriculum sequence change to align the courses better. It was moved and seconded to recommend to the Board the approval of the curriculum sequence change for Arizona Colleges BSN program. Motion Carried.

8. Review and discussion regarding clinical instruction and clinical site choices for Maternal/Child courses for practical nurse student (LPN): The committee discussed the selection of choices for maternal/child clinical sites, which are required for the LPN curriculum. T. Downen informed the committee that birthing centers are allowing the LPN students into their facilities and that the goal is to allow the student to get a good experience during that course. A. Purney stated that when she completes a survey for a program, she does review the clinical sites to make sure they are appropriate. All surveys are presented to the Board for approval.
9. Review, discuss, and action for possible recommendation to the Board for approval of Chamberlain University BSN program to increase enrollment from 400 to 600: The committee discussed the request for an increase in students and if there were enough clinical sites to accommodate them; Chamberlain answered all questions regarding clinical sites. There were questions regarding how many students graduate annually; Chamberlain normally graduates 240 students a year. There were questions as to why they want to increase their students; Chamberlain stated that with this increase they can increase their financial resources. It was moved and seconded to recommend to the Board to accept the increase from 400-600 for Chamberlain University BSN program. Motion Carried.
10. Review and discussion of Scope of Practice Question trends received by Board staff: S. McCord presented this item. Discussed the increase in APRN calls regarding prescribing, collaborating agreements, cosmetology, injections, and Botox. RN calls were mostly related to cosmetic procedures and IV hydration. LPN calls were regarding where to find IV certification and their scope in management of suprapubic catheters. CNA calls included staffing ratios and who can delegate to them

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- Delays in NCLEX retesting
- LPN advisements on clinical sites
- Sub-committee updates

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- A. Purney informed the committee that on 9/26/19 at Roseman college there will be a Next Generation NCLEX workshop.
- R. Wertz informed the committee about the LAERDAL Sun Conference on 10/2-10/5/19.
- A. Purney thanked S. McCord for his help with the meeting today.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.