

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

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## **MINUTES OF THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Advisory Committee was called to order by Sally K. Miller, PhD, APRN, FAANP, Consultant/Investigator, at 3:00 p.m.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Patricia Strobehn, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Kelly Jo Fluitt, APRN-C  
Aaron Bellow Jr., PhD, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Pamela Burgio, MSN, RN, APRN, PNP  
Jeanine Packham, DNP, ACNP-BC, CCRN-CMC, PHN  
Kelly Mecham, DNP, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Stephen Ingerson, MSN, APRN, CNS  
Dominic M. Etli, FNP-C

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Rhone D'Errico, DNP, MSN, APRN-BC, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC, ENP-C  
Teresa Praus, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, AACC

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Sally K. Miller, PhD, APRN, FAANP, Consultant/Investigator, Chair  
Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director  
Kim Arguello, General Counsel  
Sam McCord, Director of Nursing Practice  
Cydnee Cernas, Management Assistant  
Sandy Koch, OBGYN Carson City

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by S. Miller at 3:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

A. K. Mecham Motions to accept the November minutes as written. S. Ingerson seconded. Motion Carried.

B. **OLD BUSINESS:** None

C. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. S. Miller welcomed Dominick Etli to the advisory committee, he was appointed at the January Board meeting.

2. C. Dinauer gave an update from the previous two Board meetings of November 2020 and January 2021.
  - a. The Board received a high volume of calls asking who qualifies to receive vaccines. There have also been calls about vaccine updates. Callers are referred to the State.
  - b. Numerous calls have come in regarding Directive 011 with the expansion of scope of practice and CNA's. Employers and CNA's are requesting to continue to practice with the expanded scope after the directive is no longer in place.
  - c. Cathy announced that two new Board members have been appointed, Cheryl Maes and Tracey McCollum.
3. K. Arguello gave a legislative update. There is a Bill Draft Request to appoint an APRN to serve as a Board member. The Board is still moving forward with the Nurse Compact.
4. S. McCord presented data from June 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 regarding Scope of Practice calls received by the Board. The question trends have changed due to COVID-19.
  - a. Surprisingly the number of calls has decreased overall.
  - b. There has been an increase related to cosmetic practices, e.g., procedures within an APRN Scope, whether or not an APRN may serve as medical director.
  - c. There have also been calls about expanded scope of practice due to the emergency directive.
5. S. Koch presented to the committee her proposed bill draft revision of the abortion statute, endorsing APRNs as providers of health care who may provide abortion care. A. Bellow motioned to support the proposal. J. Packham seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

D. Recommendations for the May 11, 2021 meeting: None.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

- P. Burgio had a question regarding licensees getting fingerprinted and the delay of issuing licenses as she has a provider waiting to be licensed. Since the Board has been closed to the public, fingerprinting is not currently being provided by the Board however there are third party vendors. The Board has been working diligently to prevent delays in issuing licenses.
- K. Fluit noted that she was also selected to fingerprint and provide an audit. She shared that both her audit and fingerprinting proceeded smoothly.
- S. McCord informed the committee that the Nurse Practice Advisory Committee will be forwarding an item for review.
- K. Mecham would like to know what the status is on the proposed regulation changes to expand APRN licensed providers who may preceptor APRN students. K. Arguello gave a brief description of the lengthy process. As this item was not submitted before the appropriate deadline, it will go before the next legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT: 3:53 p.m.