

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING April 21, 2023**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The committee meeting was called to order by Michelle Johnson EdD, MS, APRN, CPNP-CP, Director of Nursing Education, at 9:03 a.m.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sherry Akins, DNP, RN  
Nichole Artam, BSN, RN  
Kimberly Baxter, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC  
Jody Covert, DNP, RN  
Amber Donnelly, PhD, RN, CNE  
Susan E. Drossulis, MSN, RN, OCN-BC  
Brian C. Oxhorn, PhD, RN  
Angela Silvestri-Elmore, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, CNE  
Robert Vadovic, DNP, RN, APN-c  
Erin Van Kirk, MSN, RN

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Nancy Hence Cywinski, RN, BSN, MS, NHA  
Jill Rankin, DNP, RN

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Michelle Johnson, EdD, MS, APRN, CPNP-PC Chair  
Fred Olmstead, Esp, General Counsel  
Hannah Boll-Matulis, Education Management Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by M. Johnson at 9:03 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 13, 2023, minutes were reviewed and approved as written.  
**MOTION PASSED.**

**A. OLD BUSINESS:** None

**B. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Board meeting update: March 2023 Board Meeting this session. M. Johnson provided an update that reviewed budget increase and plans for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, a review of the application questions, and the faculty to student ratio bill. F. Olmstead gave an update on the bills in front of the legislature, including the Nurse Licensure Compact

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failing to pass committee, the potential for CRNAs to receive prescribing authority, and the potential for the cultural competency continuing education requirement being increased from two hours to four hours. F. Olmstead also reminded committee members that there is a Faculty Waiver available. M. Johnson also welcomed the two newly appointed committee members from the March 2023 Board Meeting, Dr. Sherry Akins and Nichole Artam.

2. Review and discussion related to updates from the Simulation Sub-Committee. M. Johnson reviewed the new language and definitions, including virtual simulation, and pre-briefing that was discussion.
3. Review and discussion related to updates from the AACN Essentials Sub-Committee. M. Johnson updated the committee that there was no quorum at the previous meeting and she will be sending out the prompt to members before the next meeting to help determine the direction they will be moving in. M. Johnson also stated that there is potential for the committee to be placed on hold momentarily given the very busy time of year, but committee members will be kept up to date.
4. Review and discussion regarding first quarter NCLEX pass rates. M. Johnson presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter NCLEX scores by program, including how NextGen NCLEX scores are trending currently. She also reminded committee members of the new policy that if a program has 3 consecutive quarters with low scores, they will be required to submit an improvement plan with two quarters to improve the scores, or they will go before the Board to be placed on conditional approval.
5. Review and discussion regarding the termination of Nevada State Board of Nursing managing statewide clinical scheduling system, ServEd Link. M. Johnson informed committee members that effective July 1, 2023 the Board staff will no longer be managing ServEd Link. Board staff has not received any updates from schools or facilities in the north or south. E. Van Kirk informed the committee that several schools and facilities in the north had a demo with Complio. B. Oxhorn stated that it is very likely the schools in the south will be forced to use multiple separate systems and there will be many different conflicts that arise. Several committee members described concerns about having a neutral third party, like the Board, involved in conflict resolution and incorporating new schools, as well as losing the speed and efficiency of Board staff's process. M. Johnson shared her concerns with Complio and how that would work for schools that will not use the system, how that might effect the data rollover, and the potential for issues with schools who only do clinicals in Nevada.

## C. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2023.

1. K. Baxter expressed concerns for programs in the south, the potential for strained relationships with clinical facilities, and wants to continue the discussion to create solutions and give suggestions to the Board. M. Johnson reminded the committee that the clinical scheduling system is not the Board's product, it is the schools' facilities'. This is not in regulation, so the Board has nothing to do with the scheduling program.
2. E. Van Kirk requested a legislative update regarding the faculty to student ratio and what to do to help minimize any issues that arise if it passes. M. Johnson stated she was more concerned about labs because programs traditionally double the clinical amount in labs,

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but she will ensure it is added to the agenda and discuss the ratios, which are up to the administration.

3. A. Silvestri-Elmore asked for an update from the schools and what changes they will potentially make if the new ratio bill does pass and why they're making those changes compared to their previous process. M. Johnson will send out a poll and present the results to the committee if the bill does pass.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A. Donnelly let the committee know it was her last meeting since her term is up in May, and she is in the process of transitioning to an associate vice president role of Great Basin College. M. Johnson congratulated her on behalf of the committee and thanked her for her years of service.

ADJOURNMENT-The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

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## AGENDA EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE Friday, April 21, 2023, 9:00 AM

### THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY ONLY

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The Education Advisory Committee meeting will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 21, 2023.

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- The committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.
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The Education Advisory Committee advises and reports to the Board on matters related to education programs in Nevada.

#### Public Comment Procedure:

1. Public Comment will be taken at the beginning and at the end of every day of the Committee meeting; public comment may be made in person at the physical location of the meeting, telephonically, or via email at [nsbnpubcom@nsbn.state.nv.us](mailto:nsbnpubcom@nsbn.state.nv.us).
2. To provide Public Comment via video/teleconference, members of the public may join the meeting virtually or call the toll number above.
3. Public Comment may also be taken at other such times as requested so long as the request that Public Comment be taken will not interrupt ongoing Committee business.
4. Those individuals wishing to present public comment are asked to state and spell their name prior to providing public comment.
5. Depending on the number of individuals wishing to address the Board, a reasonable time, place, and manner limitation on the public comments may be set.
6. The Committee will not restrict comments based upon viewpoint.
7. The Committee reserves the right to limit Public Comment to three minutes.
8. No action may be taken upon a matter raised during Public Comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT –

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 13, 2023, meeting minutes.

**For  
Possible  
Action**

A. OLD BUSINESS: None

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Board meeting update: March 2023 Board Meeting.
2. Review and discussion related to updates from the Simulation Sub-Committee.
3. Review and discussion related to updates from the AACN Essentials Sub-Committee.
4. Review and discussion regarding first quarter NCLEX pass rates.
5. Review and discussion regarding the termination of Nevada State Board of Nursing managing statewide clinical scheduling system, ServEd Link.

**For  
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C. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING ON AUGUST 11, 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

ADJOURNMENT

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