

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING  
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**Advanced Practice Advisory Committee  
Special Meeting  
Minutes – September 16, 2025**

The Advanced Practice Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing met on September 16, 2025. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Oklahoma Board of Nursing website. A notice/agenda was also posted on the Connors Building front entrance at 2501 N Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**Place of Meeting:** Virtual Meeting

**Time of Meeting:** 3:00 PM

**Member(s) Present:** K. Genzel, DNP, APRN-CNS  
S. Hanes, APRN-CNS  
L. Harkess, MSN, APRN-CNM, CNP  
M. Johnston, DNP, APRN-CNP, FNP-BC, AGA/CNP-BC, CNE  
R. Kizer, MSN, APRN-CNM (arrived late)  
J. Nobles-Botkin, MSN, APRN-CNM  
N. Sweet-Fitzgibbon, DNAP, MSN, APRN-CRNA  
T. Watkins, APRN-CRNA

**Member(s) Absent:** A. Costner-Lark, DNP, APRN-CNP  
D. Dodd, BS, APRN-CRNA  
R. Hailey, MS, APRN-CRNA  
C. Laffoon, DNP, APRN-CNP  
S. Moore, DNP, APRN-CNS  
K. Watson, MSN, APRN-CNP

**Board Representative:** C. Leathers, MBA-HCM, BSN, RN; C. Kennedy, APRN-CNP, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC

**Staff Representative(s):** J. Barnhouse, DNP, RN; M. Starchman, RN, CPA; D. Hammond, RN; H. Poole

**Guests:** Doug Stewart (BCBS)

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by committee chair C. Leathers at 3:28 PM.

1.1. **Declaration of a quorum:** Roll was called and a quorum was declared present.

2. Review and recommendation to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing regarding proposed Administrative Rules changes related to HB 2298 (Independent Prescriptive Authority) **(Attachment #1)**.

After significant discussion of the agenda item, motion made (K. Genzel) and seconded (S. Hanes) to recommend that any applications for independent prescriptive authority be required to be electronic through the Optimal Regulatory Board System (ORBS) nurse portal account system.

**Voting:**

Yes (8) K. Genzel, S. Hanes, L. Harkess, M. Johnston, R. Kizer, J. Nobles- Botkin, N. Sweet-Fitzgibbon, T. Watkins

No (0)

Absent (6) A. Costner-Lark, D. Dodd, R. Hailey, C. Laffoon, S. Moore, K. Watson

Abstain (0)

**Motion Carried.**

An additional motion was made (M. Johnston) and seconded (N. Sweet-Fitzgibbon) to forward for recommendation to the Board that the language in section 485:10-16-3.1 of the proposed Rules be amended to allow for self-attestation by the applicant regarding the number of requisite hours rather than requiring an attestation from the applicant's medical facility, hospital administration, department chair, or supervising physician that they have completed the requisite hours. Also recommend language to allow the Board to audit applicants by requesting and reviewing supporting documentation.

**Voting:**

Yes (8) K. Genzel, S. Hanes, L. Harkess, M. Johnston, R. Kizer, J. Nobles- Botkin, N. Sweet-Fitzgibbon, T. Watkins

No (0)

Absent (6) A. Costner-Lark, D. Dodd, R. Hailey, C. Laffoon, S. Moore, K. Watson

Abstain (0)

**Motion Carried.**

3. Review and recommendation to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing regarding Committee Position Statement related to HB 2298 (Independent Prescriptive Authority) **(Attachment #2)**.

After discussion of the agenda item, motion made (K. Genzel) and seconded (S. Hanes) to not forward a Committee Position Statement to the Board of Nursing.

**Voting:**

Yes (8) K. Genzel, S. Hanes, L. Harkess, M. Johnston, R. Kizer, J. Nobles- Botkin, N. Sweet-Fitzgibbon, T. Watkins

No (0)

Absent (6) A. Costner-Lark, D. Dodd, R. Hailey, C. Laffoon, S. Moore, K. Watson

Abstain (0)

**Motion Carried.**

4. **Adjournment:**

Motion made (L. Harkess) and seconded (R. Kizer) to adjourn meeting. Committee Chair C. Leathers declared the meeting adjourned at 3:59 PM.