

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING
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Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee Minutes
Monday, February 2, 2009

The Nursing Education and Nursing Practice Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing met on February 2, 2009. Notice of the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State's office and notice/agenda was posted on the Oklahoma Board of Nursing web site. A notice/agenda was also posted on the Cameron Building front entrance at 2915 North Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as well as the Board office, Suite 524, 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Place of Meeting: Basement Conference Room, Cameron Building

Time of Meeting: 1:30 p.m.

Members Present: Joseph Catalano, Ph.D, RN Baccalaureate Nursing Deans Council
Teri Rounds, RN Oklahoma Nurses Association
Chris Weigel, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Betty Garrett, LPN Board appointment
Cindy Rauh, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Marietta Lynch, RN OK Assoc. of Health Care Providers
Gina Doyle, RN Practical Nursing Directors Council
Karen Tomajan, MS, RN Oklahoma Nurses Association

Members Absent: Carrie Shreck, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Abbie Bailey, MS, RN Assoc Degree Nursing Directors Council
Linda Thrasher, RN Oklahoma Association of Home Care

Board Representatives: Louise Talley, Ph.D, RN
Liz Michael, RN
Jackye Ward, MS, RN

Staff Representatives: Gayle McNish, RN, Ed.D
Louise Drake, MHR, RN
Wendy Hubbard, MS, RN

1.0 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Louise Talley at 1:30 p.m.

1.1 Declaration of a quorum: A quorum was declared present.

1.2 Introductions: Introductions were made.

1.3 Announcements: Karen Tomajan announced the appointment of Joni Tiller as the Chief Nursing Officer at Integris Baptist Medical Center.

- 2.0 Committee decision regarding approval of October 6, 2008, committee meeting minutes:
The minutes were reviewed. A motion was made (J. Ward) and seconded (C. Wiegel) to approve the minutes.

Voting:

- Yes: (8) J. Catalano, T. Rounds, K. Tomajan, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, C. Rauh, M. Lynch, B. Garrett
No: (0)
Absent: (3) C. Shreck, L. Thrasher, A. Bailey

Motion carried.

3.0 Verbal reports requiring no action by committee

- 3.1 Board of Nursing update: G. McNish reported that Louise Drake, Associate Director for Practice for the Oklahoma Board of Nursing, will retire on Feb. 13, 2009. On Jan. 27, a retirement reception was held in honor of Ms. Drake, providing an opportunity for the Board to thank her for her dedication over the past ten years to fulfilling the Board's mission of protection of the public.

G. McNish reported on the national and Oklahoma NCLEX pass rates and numbers of testers. Both the pass rates and numbers of testers increased in Oklahoma in 2008.

- 3.2 Proposed rule changes: G. McNish reported that proposed rules were approved by the Board on January 27, 2009, and will be submitted to the Governor and Legislature for approval. If approved by the Governor and not disapproved by the Legislature, they will take effect subsequent to the last day of the Legislative session.
- 3.3 Advanced Practice Task Force to Review Regulations: G. McNish reported on a new task force of the Board that is charged with analyzing current statutes and rules for advanced practice nurses for appropriateness and effectiveness, using model Nursing Practice Act and Rules, examples from other states, and a review of the literature on advanced practice roles in FY 2009. Task force members include a representative of each of the advanced practice categories who currently serves on the Board's Advanced Practice Advisory Committee. Other individuals invited to participate include one representative from each of the advanced practice associations, one or more individuals who has served on the Board of Nursing, the Oklahoma Nurses Association, the Oklahoma Healthcare Workforce Center, and representatives from Oklahoma advanced practice educational programs for nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists. Through this broad representation, communication will be facilitated with stakeholders throughout the state. The first meeting of the task force is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2009.

- 3.4 Uniform Core Licensure Requirements: G. McNish reported that National Council of State Boards of Nursing is developing a task force to examine its 1999 uniform core licensure requirements and recommend to the Delegate Assembly changes to those requirements. The purpose of the uniform core requirements is to promote consistency in licensing requirements among the states, which assists with implementation of the compact, but also helps to promote easier endorsements

among the states not in the compact. Oklahoma hopes to have representation on this committee.

- 3.5 LPN appointment to the Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee: G. McNish welcomed Betty Garrett, LPN, who was appointed by the Board on January 27, 2009, to the Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee.
- 3.6 Committee appointments needed in 2009: G. McNish indicated that the following committee appointments will be completing their service in 2009:
Joe Catalano – September, 2009
Gina Doyle – August, 2009
Linda Thrasher – August, 2009
Karen Tomajan – August, 2009
Marietta Lynch – August, 2009
After the June, 2009, meeting, G. McNish will send a letter to the appointing organizations, requesting that new appointments be submitted to the Board office prior to the October, 2009, meeting.
- 3.7 Nursing Education Consultant: Wendy Hubbard has been with the Board since August in the position of Nursing Education Consultant. Ms. Hubbard has completed her orientation and has assumed all responsibilities for nursing education.
- 4.0 Review and committee decision regarding recommendations to the Board for revisions to the following policies:

- 4.1 IV Medication Administration by LPNs Statement - #P-12: L. Drake summarized information provided to the committee in its agenda packet related to IV medication administration by LPNs. This information included a comparison of state statutes, rules or policies; the results of a study completed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, entitled *Supply, Demand, and Use of Licensed Practical Nurses*; a National Council of State Boards of Nursing study, entitled *Scope of Practice of LPN/VNs Working in Dialysis Units*, Oklahoma State Department of Health Rules for medical facilities, and the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education statewide practical nursing curriculum plan. After discussion, it was moved (J. Ward) and seconded (G. Doyle) to recommend to the Board the revisions to the *IV Medication Administration by LPNs Statement* as presented.

Voting:

- Yes: (6) T. Rounds, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, C. Rauh, M. Lynch, B. Garrett
No: (2) J. Catalano, K. Tomajan
Absent: (3) C. Shreck, L. Thrasher, A. Bailey

Motion carried.

- 4.2 Nursing Education Programs with Extended and Multiple Campuses Policy - #E-03: G. McNish reviewed proposed revisions to the policy statement. The revisions update and expand on current language in the policy, and clarify options for Board actions. After discussion, it was moved (G. Doyle) and seconded (C. Wiegel) to

recommend to the Board revisions to the *Nursing Education Programs with Extended and Multiple Campuses Policy* as presented.

Voting:

Yes: (8) T. Rounds, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, C. Rauh, M. Lynch, B. Garrett, J. Catalano, K. Tomajan
No: (0)
Absent: (3) C. Shreck, L. Thrasher, A. Bailey

Motion carried.

- 4.3 *Nursing Education Programs Offering Non-Traditional Learning Options Guidelines - #E-08*: G. McNish reviewed proposed revisions to the guidelines. The revisions correct formatting, add references, and add language in the section on distance learning programs that address student assessment, confidentiality of student information, and availability of faculty members to facilitate learning activities. After discussion, it was moved (C. Rauh) and seconded (K. Tomajan) to recommend to the Board revisions to *Nursing Education Programs Offering Non-Traditional Learning Options Guidelines* as presented.

Voting:

Yes: (8) T. Rounds, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, C. Rauh, M. Lynch, B. Garrett, J. Catalano, K. Tomajan
No: (0)
Absent: (3) C. Shreck, L. Thrasher, A. Bailey

Motion carried.

- 4.4 *Monitoring of the Conscious Sedation Patient by Licensed Practical Nurse Guidelines - #P-07*: L. Drake reviewed proposed revisions to the guidelines. The revisions add current references, update terminology, and clarify wording in the guidelines. After discussion, it was moved (K. Tomajan) and seconded (J. Ward) to recommend to the Board revisions to the *Monitoring of the Conscious Sedation Patient by Licensed Practical Nurse Guidelines* as presented.

Voting:

Yes: (8) T. Rounds, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, C. Rauh, M. Lynch, B. Garrett, J. Catalano, K. Tomajan
No: (0)
Absent: (3) C. Shreck, L. Thrasher, A. Bailey

Motion carried.

- 5.0 Date for next meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. Items suggested for the agenda included the "BSN in 10" issue and pressure ulcer prevention.
- 6.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.