

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING
MINUTES
OPEN BUSINESS MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2011

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on December 2, 2011 in the Monmouth Conference Room, 7th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Patricia A. Murphy, Board President, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Noreen D'Angelo
Theresa Beck
Avery Hart
Joni Jones

Patricia Murphy
Luz Ramos
Karen Rodriguez
Therese Steinhardt

ALSO PRESENT:

George J. Hebert, Executive Director
Olga Bradford, Deputy Attorney General
Mary Peterson, Supervisor, Disciplinary Section
Joanne Leone, Deputy Executive Director
Diane Scott, Administrative Staff
Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Saundra Austin-Benn
Richard Hader

Jonathan Hress
Constance Wilson

QUORUM WAS DECLARED PRESENT

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing on December 23, 2010. A schedule of all 2011 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2011 was provided to the Office of the Secretary of State, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, The New York Times, Camden Courier Post and The Philadelphia Inquirer. The schedule has also been posted on the Bulletin Board at the New Jersey State Board of Nursing Office.

AGENDA:

Open Regular Board Meeting Agenda of December 02, 2011: Reading and Approval with amendments:

- To add under Committee Reports – Nominating Committee

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Karen Rodriguez, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Agenda of December 2, 2011 as amended. The motion carried.

MINUTES:

Open Business Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2011: Reading and Approval:

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Luz Ramos and duly seconded by Therese Steinhardt, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2011. The motion carried.

REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT – PATRICIA A. MURPHY, Ph.D.:

Dr. Murphy reported:

- Welcomed all nursing students and provided information about the monthly board meetings.
- Gave a brief overview of an article called “Virtual Mentor” on the behaviors of health care professionals.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – GEORGE J. HEBERT:

George Hebert reported:

- Update on the New Jersey Nursing Initiative - Lynn Mertz, via teleconference, provided detailed information on the nursing educational system. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that New Jersey has an adequate number of nurses.
- The Board is responsible for the licensing of RNs, LPNs, and certification of APNs, Massage Therapists, and CHHAs. The Board is also responsible for the approval and accreditation of nursing programs.
- An announcement from the NCSBN President, Myra Broadway – The College of Nurses of Ontario and nine other Canadian RN regulatory bodies have selected the NCSBN to provide the NCLEX-RN Examination for utilization by Canadian nursing regulatory bodies as a licensure requirement.
- A Licensure Survey was conducted during the 2011 Renewal to determine what areas of nursing are more common. The workforce data will be used by government agencies.
- 2012 Board of Nursing meeting schedule – The Board reviewed and approved the 2012 meeting schedule.

INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:

1. October 2011 – Article from the American Medical Association Journal of Ethics: Virtual Mentor on Policy Forum regarding Criminal Convictions and Medical Licensure.
2. October 21, 2011 – Letter from Kathy Apple, MS, RN, FAAN, Chief Executive Officer, NCSBN regarding providing comment on the language related to the proposed definition of clinical nurse specialists.
3. November 10, 2011 – Letter from Francis Gerbasi, CRNA, PhD, Executive Director, COA regarding the report of actions from the October 12-14 meeting.
4. November 15, 2011 – Letter from Rose Saunders, EdD, RN, CNE, Dean, Helene Fuld School of Nursing regarding the closure of Helene Fuld School of Nursing in Camden County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

Noreen D'Angelo reported on the following:

The Nominating Committee met in November to discuss the nomination of candidates for Board President and Secretary/Treasurer for 2012.

The Nominating Committee recommended:

- Patricia Murphy for Board President
- Sandra Austin-Benn for Secretary/Treasurer

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Karen Rodriguez, voted to approve the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. The motion carried.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Luz Ramos reported on the following:

November 4, 2011 Session I:

Correspondence:

- a. June 16, 2011 – Letter from Elizabeth Villanueva, RN, MSN, Program Administrator, The Center for Allied Health & Nursing Education. Re: Effective July 1, 2011, Elizabeth Villanueva, RN, MSN, will be overseeing the practical nursing program at the Ewing Campus.
- b. June 22, 2011 – Letter from Maris A. Lown, EdD, RN, Dean of Science & Health Science, Brookdale Community College. Re: Effective June 30, 2011, Maris A. Lown, EdD, RN, is the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Union County College.

- c. June 27, 2011 – Letter from Angelina Arcamone, PhD, RN, Assistant Dean and Director, Villanova University. Re: Dr. Angelina Arcamone has been appointed to the position of Assistant Dean and Director.
- d. June 29, 2011 – Letter from Joan M. Cunningham, MA, RN, Dean, County College of Morris. Re: Copy of the resume for Professor Monica Maraska, the new Chairperson of the Department of Nursing.
- e. July 5, 2011 – Letter from William M. Toms, Ed.D, Interim President, Brookdale Community College. Re: Effective July 1, 2011, Dr. Jayne Edman, will be the Interim Academic Division Dean of Science and Health Sciences.
- f. July 6, 2011 - Letter from Boris Davidoff, PhD, President/CFO, Metropolitan Learning Institute. Re: Effective June 27, 2011, Ms. Anunciacion Solomon-Lipat, MA, RN, was appointed to the post of Nursing Program Director.
- g. July 8, 2011 - Letter from Lisa M. Easterby, MSN, RN, CNE, Dean and Senior Director of Education, Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing. Re: Curriculum Change. **The Committee recommends approval of the Curriculum Change.**
- h. July 20, 2011 – Newspaper article by Kate Kowsh, The Jersey Journal. Re: Saint Peter’s College denies diplomas to four-fifths of its nursing students.
- i. July 22, 2011 - Letter from Sharon J. Tanner, EdD, RN, CEO, National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc (NLNAC). Re: Summary of actions taken by the NLNAC Board of Commissioners during its meeting on June 29-30, 2011.
- j. July 26, 2011 – Letter from Dr. Marycarol Rossignol, PhD, RN, CNL, Director of Nursing, Caldwell College. Re: Curriculum Change. There is a new administrator of the program. Dr. Marycarol Rossignol, PhD, RN, CNL, effective June 27, 2011. There will be a future discussion regarding curriculum changes.
- k. August 1, 2011 – Letter from Linda A. Martin, EdD, RN, MSN, GCNS-BC, CNE, Dean of Math, Science and Health Professions, Mercer County Community College. Re: Effective August 1, 2011, Madeline Gervase, MSN, CCRN, FNP, CNL, RN, PhD(c) will be the new Director of Nursing Education.
- l. August 29, 2011 – Letter from Ann Marie Bunty, RN, MSN, Warren County Technical School. Re: To inform the Board that Ms Bunty, RN, MSN, is no longer the LPN Program Director at Warren County Technical School.
- m. September 8, 2011 – Transcript from Ashwood University for student, Katucha Kolbjornsen. Re: School not approved. Fraudulent program credentials.
- n. September 9, 2011 - Letter from Joanne P. Robinson, PhD, RN, GCNS-BC, Rutgers, The State University. Re: Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey-Camden, has been elevated to an independent School of Nursing within the University. Also, the Baccalaureate Degree Program in Nursing was reaccredited for the full term of 10 years by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.
- o. September 9, 2011 – Letter from Denise M. Tate, EdD, APRN, WHNP-BC, ANP-BC, Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean, UMDNJ School of Nursing. Re: The proposal to expand clinical sites into Pennsylvania for the baccalaureate in nursing (BSN) program for the School of Nursing at UMDNJ.
- p. September 15, 2011 – Letter from Susan C. Barnard, DHSc, RDH, Dean, Bergen Community College. Re: Effective immediately, Sharon Zaucha, RN, MSN, CNE, has been appointed as the Associate Dean of Nursing for the Bergen Community College Nursing program.

- q. September 19, 2011 – Letter from Sandra L. Bloomberg, Ph.D, Dean, New Jersey City University. Re: Effective September 1, 2011, Dr. Debra Scardaville will serve as the Chairperson of the Department.
- r. September 22, 2011 – Letter from Colleen Manzetti, DNP, CNE, Acting Dean, Ocean County College. Re: Minor Change Notification Requirement. **The Committee recommends approval of the Curriculum Change.**
- s. September 26, 2011 – Letter from Barbara Blackwell, MA, EdD, RN-BC, Director, Holy Name Medical Center School of Nursing. Re: To thank the NJ Board of Nursing Education Committee for approval of the expansion of the twelve month program with a twelve month evening program.
- t. September 30, 2011 – Letter from Laurie Pringle, Executive Director, Paramus Campus, Lincoln Technical Institute. Re: Effective October 1, 2011, Mr. Timothy Inverso, RN, MSN, CEN, is serving as Interim Director.
- u. October 1, 2011 – Letter from the Department Director to all State Boards of Nursing in the United States of America. Re: To settle the misunderstanding between CGFNS and Obninsk Educational Center.
- v. October 5, 2011 – Letter from Dr. Mustafa Mustafa, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Eastern International College. Re: Effective January 2, 2011 Dr. Prisca Anuforo, RN, MSN, DNP, CTN_A, has been appointed as Chair of the nursing program.
- w. October 6, 2011 – Letter from Betty Coughlin, Area Case Director, School Participation Team-New York/Boston, School Eligibility Service Group-Program Compliance. Re: Provisional /LOC (Letter of Credit) Alternative for Mountainside Hospital School of Nursing and Merit Health Systems, LLC.

Session II of the November 4, 2011 Report: (*Appearances*)

- 1. New Program Applications:
 - a. Sanford Brown Institute (Revised Part II) – Iselin - The Committee recommended to grant provisional accreditation to Sanford-Brown Institute.
 - c. Moe Shea Corporation – (Phase 2) - The Committee recommended to deny provisional accreditation to Moe Shea Corporation.
- 2. Self-Study Report:
 - a. Ocean County College (Progress Report sent to NLNAC) – The Committee accepts the report as prepared.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Luz Ramos and duly seconded by Noreen D'Angelo, voted to approve the recommendations of the Education Committee. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst discussed the following items:

1. Telephonic Prescribing for APNs – NJSNA presented a question to the Board regarding the use of telephonic prescribing. A discussion ensued regarding telephonic prescribing and it was determined that the regulations for the Board of Nursing do not address this issue. This matter has been referred to the Regulation Committee for further review.

OPEN FORUM:

Patricia Murphy asked the public to share with the Board of Nursing any concerns, issues or questions:

- Vickie Ann Grosso, RN, PhD, CNE, Professor, Nursing Program, Essex County College – expressed concerns regarding the Board’s recommendations on the use of exit examinations by nursing education programs.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Luz Ramos and duly seconded by Avery Hart, voted to go into closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and nursing programs. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Karen Rodriguez and duly seconded by Luz Ramos, voted to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting.

On December 2, 2011, the Regular Open Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on March 2, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Murphy
Board President