

BOARD OF NURSING
Education Committee
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Date: Thursday, April 5, 2012

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Members Present: Denise Cohen, MS, APRN, Chair
Cecilia P.S. Mukai, Ph.D, APRN
Lorraine Fleming, APRN

Staff Present: Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer ("EO")
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Faith Nishimura, Secretary

Guests: Aylsa Kaffo, Student, University of Phoenix
Talila Peggins, Student, University of Phoenix
Tanita Butler, Student, University of Phoenix

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Upon a motion by Dr. Mukai, seconded by Ms. Fleming, it was voted on and unanimously carried to add the following item to today's meeting:

- 6. Correspondence
 - c. Eluned Mun – Referred from Board meeting

Approval of the Minutes: Upon a motion by Dr. Mukai, seconded by Ms. Fleming, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the January 5, 2012 minutes as circulated.

The DAG left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Ms. Fleming left the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Hawaii Nursing Schools/Programs:

Annual Report Form

The Committee continued their discussion on amendments to the annual report form. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to make the following amendments to the annual report form:

- Page 1, add “Masters in Nursing”, “BSN/BS in Nursing to DNP” and “MSN/MS in Nursing to DNP” and delete “MSN/MN/MS in Nursing” and “Pre-Advanced Practice DNP” in nursing programs and pathways listing.
- Page 1, amend “Graduate Level” chart to indicate the same programs listed previously.
- Page 2, amend “Graduates” chart to indicate the same programs listed previously.
- Page 2, amend “Retention Rates” chart to indicate the same programs listed previously.
- Page 3, amend the statement under “Examination” to read as follows, “Based on the G-4 and G-5 reports for the period from July 1, ___ through June 30, ___, IF the pass rate is below 90% of the **national average**, as determined by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, please indicated the following:” and add definition for “G-4” and “G-5” reports as reference.
- Page 3, amend item 5 under “All Newly Appointed Faculty:” to read as follows, “List nursing experience in their areas of teaching responsibility; (dates, places, duties, etc.)”
- Page 4, amend the “Continuing Nursing Faculty Competency Declaration” to read as follows, “I have reviewed all newly appointed nursing faculty and verified that they have met all the requirements of Hawaii Administrative Rules section 16-89-45.”
- Page 4, amend “Curriculum” chart to include a column entitled “Faculty to Student Ratio”.
- Page 4, add “per semester” to “contact hours” in regards to “semester academic credit” and “semester lab/clinical credit”.
- Page 5, amend “Simulation Use” to read as follows, “Please indicate types of simulation used within your program. For purposes of this report, “high fidelity” electronic simulation utilizes very realistic materials and equipment to represent the nursing interventions that the student must perform.”
- Page 5, delete “simulation” chart.
- Page 5, amend the questions as follows, “1. Is high fidelity electronic simulation substituting for clinical (live patient encounter) hours? [] Yes, [] No, If yes, indicate number of hours.” And “2. Is high fidelity electronic simulation substituting for lab hours? [] Yes, [] No, If yes, indicate number of hours.”
- Page 5, add request for proof of national accreditation pursuant to HAR 16-89-37.

The Committee also requested the EO to provide the comments on the annual report form from the nursing programs that were previously submitted so that they can re-review them.

Establishing an Annual Pass Rate

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee members that the annual pass rate for Hawaii nursing programs should not be below 90% of the national average pass rate, and that the national average pass rate is determined by the NCSBN NCLEX Examinations for first time, US educated exam candidates for the past year.

Based upon this criteria, they also determined that the acceptable annual pass rate for registered nurse Hawaii programs was 79.11%, which was based on 90% of the national

average pass rate of 87.89%, as determined by the NCSBN for 2011.

For LPN Hawaii programs, the acceptable annual pass rate was 76.35%, which was based on 90% of the national average pass rate of 84.83%, as determined by the NCSBN for 2011.

Establishing a Quarterly Pass Rate

The Committee deferred discussion on establishing a quarterly pass rate.

Review of Latest G-4 and G-5 Reports for Hawaii Nursing Programs

The Committee reviewed the annual pass rates for Hawaii nursing programs for the period covering January 1 through December 31, 2011 to determine if they met the annual pass rate previously discussed.

It was the consensus of the Committee to recommend to the Board that the following programs be required to submit quarterly reports because their annual pass rate fell below 90% of the national average pass rate:

RN Program: Hawaii Community College
 Hawaii Pacific University
 University of Phoenix

LPN Program: Hawaii Community College

New Business:

Proposed Amendments to HAR Title 16, Chapter 89

The Chair deferred this matter.

Definition of “continuing education”, “contact hours” and “AMA Category 2 CEs”

The Chair deferred this matter.

Correspondence:

Request from Walden University’s MSN Programs for Family NP and Adult/Gerontology NP

The Committee reviewed an email dated February 29, 2012 from Walden School of Nursing regarding their MSN program.

According to the email:

Walden School of Nursing is adding two specializations to its MSN program: 1) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and 2) Adult/Gerontology Nurse Practitioner (AGNP) to provide students with the educational requirements to be able to qualify to take the FNP and AGNP certification examinations by the American Nurses Credentialing Center and/or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. Both Walden’s BSN and MSN programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

The email included the following questions:

- 1) Does Walden University's FNP and AGNP specializations need to be approved by your Board of Nursing in order to qualify our graduates for certification/licensure as a FNP or AGNP in your state?
- 2) Are there any rules/policies for online nurse practitioner students to complete practicum hours in your state?
- 3) Does your state have rules/policies for faculty who teach courses in an online nurse practitioner program?

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to recommend to the Board, to inform Walden University of the following:

- 1) The Board currently recognizes the FNP and Adult Nurse Practitioner or Gerontological Nurse Practitioner but not a combination AGNP. However, this is an issue that may be addressed by the Board's Practice Committee.
- 2) There are no laws or rules that require NP students to complete practicum hours in this State if the applicant is not enrolled in a Board approved nursing program.
- 3) Currently, the laws and rules pertaining to nursing programs do not list specifications for online nurse practitioner programs.

South Dakota State University RN and LPN Refresher Course information pamphlets

It was the consensus of the Committee to recommend that the Board recognize South Dakota State University's RN and LPN refresher course to satisfy the didactic component of the refresher or continuing education course to satisfy part of the requirements to be completed by an individual nurse licensee who has not practiced nursing within the past five years.

Eluned Mun

This matter was referred to the Committee to allow the Committee to review Ms. Mun's written inquiry regarding her teaching experience, the requirements for prescriptive authority, and the additional information submitted in respect to her teaching experience.

Ms. Mun explained in her written letter dated February 10, 2012 that she is currently enrolled in the NP program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Her "specialty" is in Adult/Geriatric NP and she is scheduled to graduate in the summer of 2013. She currently holds a Master's Degree in Pharmacology from the John A. Burns School of Medicine and has been teaching both pharmacology and pathophysiology courses within the UH system and at Kaiser Permanente where she is currently employed as an intensive care nurse.

Ms. Mun stated that the teaching of both the pharmacology and pathophysiology courses allowed these courses to be waived by the UHM School of Nursing. She asks if her transcripts, which will not include the pharmacology and pathophysiology courses, and her teaching experience will be acceptable when she applies for APRN prescriptive authority.

Dr. Mukai stated that she had concerns with "waiving" the requirement and did not believe that the Board had the authority.

After some discussion, Ms. Cohen requested that Ms. Mun submit her Master's in pharmacology transcript.

Foreign Educated Applicants:

Upon review of the following applications, it was the consensus of the Committee to recommend the following:

Arulappen, Anne P. – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for LPN exam.

Kalinovik, Tatsiana V. – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Kirilyuk, Galina – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Lee, Ramona – The Board upholds its previous decision of December 1, 2011 that there was insufficient evidence to substantiate that applicant met the minimum education requirements to sit for the NCLEX–LPN.

Plotnikov, Nadezhda V. – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Thibodeau, Karen – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Vandiver, Nataliya – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Kritovich, Yelena – Accept CGFNS report/approve application to sit for RN exam.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 3, 2012

8:30 a.m.

Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room

King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Lee Ann Teshima

Lee Ann Teshima

Executive Officer

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[X] Minutes approved as is.

[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.