

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING
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**Advanced Practice Advisory Committee
Minutes – February 18, 2005**

The Advanced Practice Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing met on February 18, 2005. Written notice of the meeting was filed with the Office of Administrative Rules, Secretary of State's Office. Notice was posted on the Oklahoma Board of Nursing web site. A notice 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, setting forward thereon the date, time, place and agenda for the meeting.

Place of Meeting: Basement Conference Room, Cameron Building

Time of Meeting: 2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Melissa Carter, RN, CNM
E. Irene Hunt, RN, ARNP
Susan Goodwin, RN, CNS
Mary Peterman, RN, ARNP
Marjorie Sagonda, RN, CRNA
Leanna Harkess, RN, CNM

Members Absent: Susan Dresser, RN, CNS
Amy Hightower, RN, CNS
Lavonna Sanders, RN, CRNA
Elizabeth Schultz, RN, CRNA
Gail Stafford, RN, CNM

Guests: Lauri Paul, RN, ARNP
Pat Saslow, RN, ARNP
Marsha Bunney, RN, CNS
Cindy Barnhill, RN
Susan Jones, RN, CNS
Janet Kristic, RN, CNS
Lynne Burson, RN, CNM

Board Representatives: Deborah Booton-Hiser, RN, ARNP

Staff Representatives: Louise Drake, RN, M.HR
Gayle McNish, RN, Ed.D
Carla Petty, RN, M.PH

1.0 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Gayle McNish at 2:00 p.m.

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

1.2 Introductions: Introductions were made.

1.3 Announcements: Lauri Paul announced that the Oklahoma Nurse Practitioners Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 10-11, 2005, in Oklahoma City. G. McNish announced that there are positions to be filled on the Advanced Practice Advisory Committee. Several of the current members have served for more than their term of office.

2.0 Committee Decision Regarding Approval of July 27, 2004 Committee Meeting Minutes: A motion was made (M. Carter) and seconded (M. Peterman) to approve the minutes.

Voting:

Yes: (6) M. Carter, E. Hunt, S. Goodwin, M. Peterman, M. Sagonda, L. Harkess

No: (0)

Absent: (5) S. Dresser, A. Hightower, L. Sanders, E. Schultz, G. Stafford

3.0 Verbal Reports Requiring No Action by Committee

3.1 Board of Nursing Update: The Board staff has undergone organizational restructuring. The Regulatory Services Division now consists of 3 professional staff members, 3 licensing technicians, and 3 support staff. The Investigations Division has a new Deputy Director for Investigations and 4 nurse investigators. Louise Drake has been appointed as Associate Director for Nursing Practice and will be the contact for advanced practice questions. Carla Petty has been appointed Licensing Manager and will be the contact for advanced practice recognition and prescriptive authority application questions. At the November meeting, the Board issued a Declaratory Ruling on the scope of practice of the Registered Nurse in the role of the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner. The Task Force to Review *Guidelines for the Registered Nurse Managing and Monitoring Conscious Sedation* has completed its work. They have recommended that the Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee add a sentence in the guidelines to the effect that the Registered Nurse may not administer propofol for purposes of achieving conscious sedation. The committee will consider this recommendation at their Feb. 25 meeting and will make a recommendation on to the Board.

- 3.2 AACN Project to Develop New Level of Advanced Practice Nurse: The American Association of Colleges of Nursing is piloting a project to develop a master's level curriculum and certification for a Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL). This individual would be prepared at the master's level as a generalist with clinical leadership skills. This individual is NOT being prepared as an advanced practice nurse – there is no specialist focus. The curriculum builds on the competencies in a baccalaureate nursing curriculum to prepare the CNL with nursing leadership, clinical outcomes management, and care environment management competencies. 400-500 contact hours of clinical practice is included as a part of the curriculum, including 300-400 hours in an immersion experience of full-time practice in the CNL role. A certification examination is being developed by AACN.

There is great concern that the CNL role is identical to the CNS role. AACN has compared the roles and concludes that the roles are different in that the CNL is not being prepared in a specialist role, nor are they prepared in the diagnosis and treatment of health problems. Instead, they design and implement plans of care, and provide oversight of the healthcare delivery and outcomes for a group of patients.

- 3.3 Formulary Advisory Committee: G. McNish reported that the committee was scheduled to meet on December 6, 2004; however, a quorum was not present.
- 3.4 Board Decision on Request by Oklahoma Nurse Practitioners and American College of Nurse Midwives to Issue Declaratory Ruling to Permit Nurse Midwives and Nurse Practitioners to Administer Regional Anesthesia: At the January meeting, the Board issued a declaratory ruling that allows ARNPs and CNMs to administer digital blocks, pudendal blocks during the intrapartum period, and penile blocks for purpose of circumcision. A copy of the declaratory ruling was distributed to the committee. Committee members and guests who were involved in submitting information to the Board reported on their work.
- 3.5 Update on Legislation and Rule Changes: Rule changes were approved by the Board and have been submitted for review by the Legislature and the Governor. G. McNish reported on proposed rule changes. Of particular interest to the Advanced Practice Advisory Committee members are rules that increase APN fees for initial recognition and renewal and rules that establish requirements for certifying body examinations for CNSs. A copy of these requirements was distributed to committee members.
- 3.6 Update on Review of Educational Qualifications for CNS Prescriptive Authority: G. McNish reviewed educational qualifications for prescriptive authority, which are established in the Rules. Questions have arisen regarding the additional requirements for Clinical Nurse Specialists. The Board staff has worked in collaboration with OU College of Nursing to ensure that prior to the completion of the preceptorial experience, each CNS will complete 30 contact hours in pharmacotherapeutic management applicable to the CNS's area of practice.

- 4.0 Review and Committee Recommendations on Application Requirements for Advanced Practice Recognition and Prescriptive Authority: Copies of current applications and supporting material used for advanced practice recognition and prescriptive authority were included in the agenda packet. Committee members were asked to provide input to regarding application requirements and processes. Suggestions included simplifying the process for multiple recognitions/prescriptive authorities, clarify requirements for the Certified Nurse Midwife requesting prescriptive authority, and clarify continuing education contact hour requirements. Staff members will take these suggestions under advisement when reviewing application requirements and procedures. The committee also discussed other issues that make it difficult for them to stay in compliance with Board requirements, including access to supervising physicians and Board of Medical Licensure requirements that allow physicians to supervise only two advanced practice nurses with prescriptive authority. Committee members identified issues that may need to be discussed further in their professional associations.
- 5.0 Next Meeting: A date will be set after new committee members are appointed.
- 6.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.