

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING
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Advanced Unlicensed Assistive Personnel Advisory Committee
Minutes

The Advanced Unlicensed Assistive Personnel Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing met on May 6, 2010. Written notice of the meeting was filed with the Office of Administrative Rules, Secretary of State's Office. A notice was posted on the Board's website. A notice was also posted on the Cameron Building front entrance at 2915 North Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City, as well as the Board office, Suite 524, 2915 North Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 24 hours prior to the meeting, setting forth thereon the date, time, place and agenda for the meeting.

Date of Meeting: Thursday, May 6, 2010

Place of Meeting: Cameron Building
Basement Conference Room
2915 N. Classen
OKC, OK 73106

Time of Meeting: 3:00 p.m.

Members Present: Gloria Peck, Oklahoma Home Health Association
Susan Boyd, Oklahoma State Department of Health
Kim Frank, Oklahoma Nurses Association
Debbie Blanke, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
Ruth Eckenstein, Oklahoma Dept. of Career and Technology Education
Chris Weigel, Oklahoma Hospital Association

Members Absent: Casey Dumas, Oklahoma State Association of LPNs
Marietta Lynch, Oklahoma Association of Health Care Providers
Linda Martin, Oklahoma Board of Nursing

Staff Representatives: Gayle McNish, Deputy Director for Regulatory Services
Jackye Ward, Associate Director for Nursing Practice
Wendy Hubbard, Nursing Education Consultant

1.0 Preliminary Activities

1.1 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by G. McNish at 3:00 p.m.

1.1 Quorum: A quorum was declared present.

1.2 Review and Decision on Approval of Minutes of the May 7, 2009 Meeting: The minutes were reviewed. It was moved (C. Weigel) and seconded to approve the minutes as submitted.

Voting:

Yes: (6) K. Frank, S. Boyd, G. Peck, D. Blanke, C. Weigel, R. Eckenstein

No: (0)

Absent: (3) L. Martin, C. Dumas, M. Lynch

2.0 Reports

2.1 Board Update: G. McNish reported that Darcy Roquemore, RN, MS, has been hired as Licensing Specialist since this committee has last met. She also reported on new Rules that have been approved by the Governor and will take effect July 1, 2010. In addition, G. McNish provided information on proposed amendments to the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act related to advanced practice nurses. J.Ward reported on a proposal for continuing competency requirements for licensed nurses, for which the Board is soliciting feedback. Ms. Ward encouraged committee members who are licensed nurses to complete the survey, available on the Board's website (www.ok.gov/nursing) through May 31, 2010.

2.2 Update on Certified AUAs and Training Programs: G. McNish reported that there are currently 598 active certified AUAs. There are currently 13 approved training programs. A list of current active programs was distributed. G. McNish reported that the Calendar Year 2009 pass rate on the AUA certification examination was 89.54% for the written examination and 84.66% for the skills examination.

3.0 Review of Approved Skills List for Performance by Board-Certified Advanced Unlicensed Assistants and Committee Decision on Recommendation for Revision: The committee reviewed the approved skills list. There have been no requests received for the committee to consider for revision of the skills list. A question was raised whether bladder scans should be added to the approved skills list. Committee members requested that Board staff provide information on bladder scans for the next meeting for further consideration of this question. The committee members made no recommendations for

revision on the *Approved Skills List for Performance by Board-Certified Advanced Unlicensed Assistants*.

- 4.0 Review of the *Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act* and *Rules of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act* and Committee Decision on Recommendation for Revision: The committee reviewed the *Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act* and *Rules of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing* related to Advanced Unlicensed Assistants. After discussion, a motion was made (C. Weigel) and seconded to recommend to the Board that the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act be amended to dissolve the AUA Advisory Committee. The rationale is that the *Approved Skills List for Performance by Board-Certified Advanced Unlicensed Assistants* is fully developed. The Board's Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee is available to review future proposals for revision to the approved skills list. Committee members suggested that the Board consider the addition of representatives from the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, an AUA training program, and the Oklahoma State Department of Health to the Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee.

Voting:

Yes: (6) K. Frank, S. Boyd, G. Peck, D. Blanke, C. Weigel, R. Eckenstein

No: (0)

Absent: (3) L. Martin, C. Dumas, M. Lynch

- 5.0 Next Meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for May 5, 2011, at 3:00 p.m.

- 6.0 Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.