

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING
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**Nursing Education and Nursing Practice Advisory Committee
Minutes – October 6, 2008**

The Nursing Education and Nursing Practice Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing met on October 6, 2008. 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
(proxy vote for Ragina Holiman)
Chris Weigel, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Linda Thrasher, RN Oklahoma Association of Home Care
Gina Doyle, RN Practical Nursing Directors Council
Karen Tomajan, MS, RN Oklahoma Nurses Association
Carrie Schreck, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Abbie Bailey, MS, RN Assoc Degree Nursing Directors Council

Members Absent: VACANT Oklahoma State Association of LPNs
Cindy Rauh, RN OK Organization of Nurse Executives
Marietta Lynch, RN OK Assoc. of Health Care Providers

Board Representatives: Louise Talley, Ph.D, 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: L. Drake announced that new “Frequently Asked Questions” and consolidated APN statutes and Rules, including Prescriptive Authority, are available on the Board’s website: www.ok.gov/nursing, under the link to “Practice/Advanced Practice”.

2.0 Committee Decision Regarding Approval of February 25, 2008 Committee Meeting Minutes: The minutes were reviewed. A motion was made (J.Catalano) and seconded (G. Doyle) to approve the minutes.

Voting:

Yes: (8) J. Catalano, T. Rounds, K. Tomajan, L. Thrasher, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, A. Bailey, C. Shreck

No: (0)

Absent: (3) C. Rauh, M. Lynch, OSALPN Representative

Motion carried.

3.0 Verbal Reports Requiring No Action by Committee

3.1 Board of Nursing Update:

G. McNish reported that new members have been appointed by the Governor to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. They are Liz Michaels, RN, Stillwater; Jean Winters, LPN, Weatherford; and MaryJac Rauh, public member, Okeene. Linda Coyer, LPN, Woodward, was reappointed for an additional five year term.

Wendy Hubbard, MS, RN, has been hired as Nursing Education Consultant for the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. Ms. Hubbard, who began her employment on August 27, 2008, previously served as nurse administrator at Eastern Oklahoma State College. She has also taught and served as the nurse administrator for a practical nursing program and has been an adjunct instructor in an RN-BSN program. After an orientation, she will take over Dr. McNish’s responsibilities for nursing education, with responsibilities for conducting survey visits, attending IONE and council meetings; and reviewing Faculty Qualification Records, annual reports, and special reports.

Louise Drake will retire in February 2009, after almost ten years with the Oklahoma Board of Nursing and 34 years at St. Anthony’s Hospital.

Rules being considered for 2009:

- A clarification of the definition of distance learning programs that defines the amount of education provided by distance learning means as 50% or more. This is consistent with definitions used by NLNAC and CCNE.

- Clarification of continuing education equivalences in advanced practice prescriptive authority.

3.2 Advanced Practice Advisory Committee: L. Drake reported that the Board approved changes to *National Certifying Bodies and APN & NON-APN Certification Examinations Approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing*. These changes update titles and reorganized the list to make it more reader-friendly.

3.3 Formulary Advisory Committees: L. Drake reported that the Advanced Practice Formulary Advisory Committee and the CRNA Formulary Advisory Committee have both met. The formularies were revised to delete medications no longer on the market, updated information, and clarified information about the process for requesting changes to the formulary.

3.4 Board decision on approval of Nursing Education and Practice Advisory Committee Bylaws: At the May, 2008, Board meeting, the Board approved the revisions recommended by the committee for the bylaws. A copy of the revised bylaws was distributed with the agenda packet.

4.0 Review and Committee Decision Regarding Recommendations to the Board for Revisions to the Following Policies:

4.1 *Wound Debridement for Licensed Nurses Guidelines, #P-05* – Committee members reviewed proposed revisions to the guidelines, as distributed with the agenda packet. A motion was made (G. Doyle) and seconded (C. Weigel) to recommend to the Board revisions to the guidelines as presented.

Voting:

Yes: (8) J. Catalano, T. Rounds, K. Tomajan, L. Thrasher, G. Doyle, C. Weigel, A. Bailey, C. Shreck

No: (0)

Absent: (3) C. Rauh, M. Lynch, OSALPN Representative

Motion carried.

4.2 *Guidelines for Registered Nurse Managing and Monitoring Conscious Sedation, #P-06* – Committee members reviewed proposed revisions to the guidelines, as distributed with the agenda packet. The committee recommended additional changes to clarify language in the guidelines. A motion was made (K. Tomajan) and seconded (C. Shreck) to recommend to the Board revisions to the guidelines as presented with additional changes proposed by the committee.

Voting:

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

Motion carried.

- 4.3 *IV Medication Administration by LPNs Statement, #P-12* - Committee members reviewed proposed revisions to the statement, as distributed with the agenda packet. After discussion, a motion was made (K. Tomajan) and seconded (C. Weigel) to table a recommendation on the statement until the February meeting. Committee members were asked to discuss within their organizations proposed revisions. In addition, L. Drake will do additional research on similar policy statements that have been developed by other boards of nursing.

Voting:

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

Motion carried.

- 4.4 *Limited Ultrasound Performed by Registered Nurse Guidelines, #P-13* – Committee members reviewed proposed revisions to the guidelines, which were distributed with the agenda packet. A motion was made (J. Catalano) and seconded (G. Doyle) to recommend to the board revisions to the guidelines as presented.

Voting:

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

Motion carried.

- 5.0 Committee Discussion Regarding Options for Board Evaluation of Clinical Space Availability When Considering Requests for New Programs and Extended Campuses: G. McNish asked the committee to provide input regarding options for evaluation of clinical space availability when considering requests for new programs and extended campuses. Committee members agreed that availability of clinical space is a significant issue when considering requests for new programs and extended campuses. Committee members suggested requesting a letter from each clinical facility with a firm commitment to the amount and type of clinical space they can provide, a statement from the Oklahoma City or

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Tulsa groups that coordinate clinical space arrangements in the metro areas (for new programs or extended campuses in those areas), and reviewing evaluations from facility nursing staff. Committee members also discussed a proposal that is being considered by the Oklahoma Healthcare Workforce Center to develop an online database of clinical space usage. If this proposal is implemented, it may be of assistance to the Board, as well as current and proposed programs, in considering availability of clinical space. G. McNish thanked the committee for its input.

6.0 Next Meeting: Monday, February 2, 2009, at 1:30 p.m.

7.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.