

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES - DRAFT
October 22, 2004

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathy Malloch, Co-Chair PhD, RN, MBA
Sherrie Beardsley RN, MBA/HCM
Joyceen S. Boyle PhD, RN
Teri Britt PhD, RN
Paula Calcaterra RN, MSN
Kathleen Ellis RN
Sue Hanauer RN, BSN, MS
Mary Killeen PhD, RN
Ela-Joy Lehrman PhD, RN
Cathy Lucius RN, MS
Sue Macdonald RN, MSN, MBA
Marty Mayhew RN, MSN
Barbara Nubile RN, MSN
Linda Riesdorph RN, MS, DON
Cheryl Roat RN, MSN
Sue Roe PhD, RN

BOARD STAFF ATTENDING:

Valerie Smith, Associate Director, RN, MS
Pamela Randolph RN, MS, CPNP

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Karen Hardy, Co-Chair RN, MSN
Judith Sellers RN, DNSc, FNP

GUESTS PRESENT

Dr. Penny Fairman, DON - NPC
Sharon Akes-Caves RNBC, MS, MSN
Mark Luebke, President, COO/CEO
Dr. Weymouth Spence, Dean Hlth Prof
Dr. Diane Frazor, Director of Nursing
Nancy Webber, Baptist Hlth System
Jane Werth, Maricopa Skill Cntr
Marci Powell, Baptist Hlth System
Three nursing students –MCCDNP
Boswell MCC
Dottie Pennington, Maricopa Skill Cntr

1. Call to Order – (Opening Remarks)

Kathy Malloch called the Education Committee to order at 9:30 a.m. in the boardroom of the Arizona State Board of Nursing.

2. Introductions

Malloch welcomed new committee members and announced that Karen Hardy, Board Member from Yuma Regional Medical Center, has been appointed to Co-Chair this committee. Malloch requested that experienced committee members mentor newer members and facilitated the pairing of mentors with newer members. The purpose of the mentorship is to acquaint newer members with procedures and to answer any questions they might have.

Randolph introduced Rose Wilcox, who has taken the position of part-time Education Consultant with the Board. Rose will initially concentrate on the CNA programs.

3. Approval of minutes 8/27/04

Discussion included two corrections to the minutes and the suggestion to put Item 10 on the next meeting agenda asking staff to prepare guidelines for program application procedures and curriculum design.

Roe moved and Britt seconded to approve minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

**4.a. Northland Pioneer College Application for Refresher Course
(Discussion/Recommendation)**

Randolph provided a review of the proposal for Refresher Course provided by Northland Pioneer College. Dr. Penny Fairman, Director of the Nursing Program, addressed the committees' questions on the following topics:

- Procedures for preceptor selection
- Curriculum content – pharmacology
- Evaluation – pretesting of applicant to determine depth/modules of program
- Tools to determine level of competency
- Teaching critical thinking and delegation

Britt moved to recommend the Board approve the proposal for Refresher Course by Northland Pioneer College. Riesdorff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**4.b. Northland Pioneer College Information Related to Curriculum Change
(Discussion/Recommendation)**

Randolph explained that last spring Northland Pioneer appeared before the Committee requesting an increase in their curriculum hours. Now, with a change in Director of the Nursing Program and a change in faculty, the program believes that the extra credit hours are not needed. Dr. Fairman explained that two years ago the pass rate was 44% and this is what might have prompted the need to change. Now, however, in the first six months of this year, their pass rate has been 100% without increasing the hours (the curriculum change has not been implemented) and they would like to return to the previously approved format.

Discussion centered on whether it was wise to delete Psychology 101 as a prerequisite to the nursing program. Several Committee members believe that this course provides foundation to human behavior and is a recognized standard across the country. Fairman replied that she will carefully consider Committee input and share the Committee feedback to program faculty.

Killeen moved to recommend the Board approve the request of NPC not to implement a previously approved curriculum change while staying mindful to the discussion of the committee. Lehrman seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Pima Medical Institute Application for Proposal Approval
(Discussion/Recommendation)**

Dr. Sharon Akers-Caves, Administrator of the Nursing Program, and Richard Luebke, President, were present to answer questions.

The following topics were addressed:

- Resources
- Transferability of credits
- Scope of general education courses
- Curricular plan
- Multiple exit plan
- Prospective students
- Clerical support

Malloch asked if it would be appropriate to ask the program to work some more with Randolph and bring this to the next Education Committee in light of all the questions. Randolph stated that bringing a program back to the Committee when there are this many questions is a course of action the Committee has taken in the past. Randolph noted that in light of the questions posed and answers given Pima Medical Institute does not appear to meet rule requirements regarding:

- Clinical placement (Plan A & B) Peds, OB, and Psych,
- Organizational chart showing clerical support,
- Resources in terms of Classroom, Lab, Office Space,
- Curriculum (overview),
- Clarity on the multi-exit program and,
- Anticipated student population.

Britt moved to request the program come back to the committee with more information as outlined by Randolph. Mayhew seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **Baptist Health System Application for Proposal Approval (Discussion/Recommendation)**

Randolph provided an overview of the application. Baptist Health System is accredited by NLNAC (National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission) but does not have institutional accreditation, as required by the Board. They are seeking national accreditation through ABHES (American Board of Health Education Specialties), an accreditation agency recognized by the US Department of Education. The proposal is for a distance-learning program in Arizona from the existing program in San Antonio delivered in real-time interactional television instruction to students in Arizona. They are proposing to offer the didactic program in January, as a continuing education course while applying for national accreditation. Attorney General staff have opined that Baptist does not need Board approval to offer continuing education; however, they cannot advertise CE as a nursing program to students or conduct clinical. What they are asking to do today is to have the committee look at the rest of the proposal and determine if they meet the standards and request that they continue the approval process, so that when they obtain ABHES accreditation, they will be able to start the clinicals in the summer and implement the full program in the fall synchronous with the San Antonio cohort. Dr. Roe recused herself since she is working with the program.

Dr. Diane Frazor, Director of Professional Nursing, and Dr. Weymouth Spence, Dean of Health Professions from Baptist Health System, were present to address the Committee and distributed a handout in response to clarification Randolph requested. Frazor summarized

the materials. Communication between faculty in San Antonio and students in Arizona was described: office hours will be held in the distance learning studio, an email address and a toll free phone line will be provided, and Nancy Webber, Educational Coordinator, will be available to students. The program anticipates admitting 20 students in January for first semester didactic only (continuing education), 30 students in August, and 30 students in spring of 2006. Communication between faculty will occur via the interactive television classrooms, which will be utilized for all faculty meetings.

Discussion topics included:

- Confusion as to the level of the program
- Student learning may be compromised if clinical experiences are not concurrent with didactic
- Transferability of credits/acceptance of credits
- Institutional accreditation
- Clinical sites and faculty availability

Macdonald moved to recommend to the Board that they not allow Baptist Health Systems to proceed until they receive their accreditation. Lehrman seconded.

Malloch spoke against the motion

Killeen spoke in favor of the motion

Roe asked for a point of clarification on Board jurisdiction over continuing education. Randolph replied that the Board did not have jurisdiction over continuing education.

Boyle clarified that Baptist Health Systems would be conducting clinical on the basis of continuing education.

Call for the vote: Motion is that the Board not allow them to proceed with the application process until they meet all rule and statutory requirements.

Boyle: Yes

Mayhew: Yes

Hanauer: Yes

Nubile: No

Beardsley: Yes

Britt: Yes

Killeen: Yes

Lehrman: Yes

Malloch: No

Lucius: Yes

Macdonald: Yes

Ellis: No

Roat: Yes

Riesdorph: Yes

Calcaterra: Yes

The motion passes with 3 votes against.

7. **Maricopa Skill Center Application for Program Change (Discussion/Recommendation)**

Jane Werth and Dottie Pennington were present to answer questions regarding the application for program change to hold evening classes and admit 30 students each approximately twice a year. Committee discussion included

- Need for evening classes – they have 30 students who are qualified.
- Faculty – One dedicated faculty and day faculty will be teaching first class 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
- Clinical sites –Werth stated that they already have the clinical sites established with Tetting. The clinicals will be evenings and week-end.
- Fulltime program? It is a fulltime program and will take the students longer than the day students; the evening students will be attending 5 days a week as opposed to day students attending four 8-hour days. It is a 5-hour day for the evening students 3:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Killeen moved to recommend the Board approve Maricopa Skill Center’s application for program change; Roe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned for lunch.

8. **Article 8 (Discussion)**

Randolph reconvened the meeting and introduced the discussion of Article 8. She provided background. The committee reviewed and provided recommendations for further changes to the Article.

9. **Annual Program Report (Discussion/Recommendation)**

Randolph demonstrated the on-line data entry that will be available for the program annual reporting. This year will be a pilot year for entering the data on-line and we will be providing each program with an individual login and password.

10. **Update on Day of Dialogue Community Colleges Awarding Bachelor’s Degrees in Nursing (Discussion/Recommendation)**

Randolph stated that the members of this committee are to be invited so if you do not receive an invitation to let her know. Dr. Roe informed that a packet would be sent to all the invitees to be read before coming to the meeting on November 16, 2004.

11. **Clinical Competency Exam (Nubile)Discussion)**

Riesdorff moved and Macdonald seconded to table Agenda Item 11 to next meeting. Motion carried.

12. **PCNE/AZBN Conference Update (Discussion)**

Randolph informed that over 100 have registered and Mary Killeen will be speaking.

13. Committee Policies on Deadlines and Requirements for Materials Submitted to the Committee (Discussion)

Roe moved and Killeen seconded to recommend approval to the Board of the handout provided on Committee Policies on Deadlines and Requirements for Materials to be submitted to the Education Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Statewide Educators Meeting (Discussion/Recommendation)

Randolph shared that the major topics of discussion at the Statewide Educators Meeting were as follows:

- NCLEX (Competency Exam)
- Clinical placements limitations
- Alternative models of clinical education (simulation) – Randolph asked that this be put on the December agenda. This committee could provide direction.

15. Prospective Nursing Program (Information)

No discussion – handout provided.

16. Strategies to Increase Student Awareness of Board Functions and Decision Making (Roe)(Discussion/Recommendation)

Killeen moved and Macdonald seconded to table this item to the December meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Agenda Future Meeting Dates (Decision)

- February 11, 2005 9:30 a.m.
- April 8, 2005 9:30 a.m.
- June 3, 2005 9:30 a.m.

18. Board Decisions (Discussion)

As recommended by this committee, the July Board made the following decisions:

- Approved International Institute of the Americas Application for Provisional Approval
- Approved Apollo College Application for Proposal Approval
- Denied Foreign Credential Services of America Application for Credential Evaluation Service

19. Call to the Public

No members of the public were in attendance at this time.

20. Future Meeting Topics (Discussion)

- Clinical competency exam
- Clinical models
- Strategies to increase student awareness
- Excelsior application to conduct clinical exam in another facility

21. De-briefing on Today's Meeting (Discussion)

- Receive mailing items earlier
- Appreciate guidelines with mailing items and dividers helped
- Send members list of email address for committee members
- Suggestion for education topic: when do we become saturated with nursing programs?

18. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED/APPROVED BY:

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