

# *Arizona State Board of Nursing*

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## **Education Committee Meeting Minutes**

The Education Committee of the Arizona State Board of Nursing convened virtually at 9:04am, on Friday, April 9th, 2021, at the Arizona State Board of Nursing via Google Meets, with Lisa Smith, PhD, RN, CNE, presiding.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lisa Smith, PhD, RN, CNE, Chair (Virtual)  
Roni Collazo, RN, PhD, CNE, Member (Virtual)  
Nick DeFalco, RN, MSN, Member (Virtual)  
Joseph Gaw, EdD, MSN, RN, Member (Virtual)  
Frances Griego, RN, Member (Virtual)  
Katherine Kenny, DNP, RN, ANP-BC, FAANP, FAAN (Virtual)  
Jan Kramer, DNP, RN, Member (Virtual)  
Sara Lemley, RN, MSN, CNE, Member (Virtual)  
Jennifer Overturf, DNP, RN, CNE, Member (Virtual)  
Tracy Schreiner, DNP, MSN, MBA, RN- Member (Virtual)  
Margi Schultz, PhD, RN, CNE, PLNC, Member (Virtual)  
Trina Staton, MSN, RN, Member (Virtual)  
Pamela Stetina, PhD, RN, CNE, Member (Virtual)  
June Weiss, MSN, RN, Member (Virtual)

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Elizabeth Allen, RN, MSN, CPN, Member  
Rochelle Byrne, MSN, BSN, RN, Member  
Shannon Campbell, RN, MSN, M.Adm., PCCN  
Kathleen Fries, PhD, MSN, BSN, CNE, Member  
Kimberly Shea, PhD, RN, CHPN

### **BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

Kathy Malloch, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN, Assoc. Director/Education & Evidenced Based Regulation (Video Conference)  
Dave Hrabe, PhD, RN, NC-BC, Education Program Administrator (Video Conference)  
Cindy George, RN, BSN, Education Program Administrator (Video Conference)  
Kathy Scott, PhD, MPA, BSN, RN, Education Program Administrator (Video Conference)  
Lyn Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant (Video Conference)  
Joey Ridenour, RN, MN, FAAN, Executive Director (Video Conference)

### **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Virtual

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:04am, Friday, April 9th, 2020 by chair, Lisa Smith.

The following Committee members were present: Collazo, DeFalco, Gaw, Griego, Kenny, Kramer, Lemly, Overturf, Schreiner, Schultz, Smith, Staton, Stetina, and Weiss

Smith presided.

**2. Introduction/Welcome**

Smith welcomed committee members and guests.

**3. Approval of Minutes- February 5th & February 12th, 2021**

**Motion:** Collazo motioned, Weiss seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes of February 5th & February 12th, 2021 as presented.

**Follow-up:** Place on the website.

**6. Cochise College ADN Program, Application for Program Change**

**Present:** Melesa Ashline, Director, from Cochise College was present and answered questions from Committee members.

**Documents:** Cochise College Program Change Application, Board staff memo to Education Committee.

**Discussion:** Several Committee members had questions regarding the removal of English 102. Ashline explained the rationale for the addition of 10 credits. Change will go into effect in August, 2022.

**Motion:** Staton motioned, Kramer seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of Cochise College Nursing Program's Application for Program Change which includes an update to the curriculum course sequencing and increase credit hours from 69 to 79 credits as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

**7. University of Jamestown BSN Program, Distance Learning Application**

**Present:** Rhonda Entzie, Assistant Professor and Kim Ashe, Department Chair, from University of Jamestown were present and addressed the Board.

**Documents:** University of Jamestown BSN Distance Learning Proposal Application.

**Discussion:** Committee members discussed the preceptorship process, critical incidents, and program staff availability.

**Motion:** Weiss motioned, Collazo seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of the University of Jamestown's Distance Prelicensure Program - Proposal Application as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

**4. Banner Health New Nurse Experience Summer 2021 - Student Preceptorships**

**Present:** Marissa Gamero, from Banner Health was present and addressed Committee members about the New Nurse Experience Summer 2021 - Student Preceptorships. Gamero

presented a PowerPoint containing in depth information about the New Nurse Experience at Banner.

**Documents:** Brochures provided by Gamero regarding the New Nurse Experience program

**5. Alverno College, Pre-Licensure Masters Program (Direct Entry) Proposal Application**

**Present:** Laurie A. Kunkel-Jordan, Interim Dean; Margaret Rauschenberger, Associate Dean and Charlene Connolly, Consultant, from Alverno College were present and addressed Committee Members

**Documents Reviewed:** Alverno College, Pre-Licensure Masters Program (Direct Entry) Proposal Application.

**Discussion:** Committee members asked questions about clinical and simulation hours.

**Motion:** **Smith** motioned, **Collazo** seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of the Proposal Application for Alverno College, Prelicensure Direct Entry Master's in Nursing program as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

**8. Regis University (Colorado) APRN Program Application**

**Present:** Catherine Witt, Dean; Patsy Cullen, Associate Dean; Phyllis Graham-Dickerson, Assistant Dean, Director, from Regis University were present.

**Documents:** Regis University APRN Distance Learning Application; Additional Information regarding course sequence, statement regarding physician assistants.

**Discussion:**

**Motion:** **Weiss** motioned, **Staton** seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of Regis University Loretto Heights School of Nursing, Distance Learning Neonatal Nurse Practitioner and Family Nurse Practitioner APRN Programs, Master's in Nursing and Post-Master's Tracks, (pending completion of clinical AZ APRN faculty certification) as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

Break 10:37am-10:46am

*10:47am Smith and Staton recused*

**9. Grand Canyon University, BSN Program - Simulation/Curriculum, Application for Program Change**

**Present:** Heather Ziemianski, from **Grand Canyon University** was present and addressed the Committee members

**Documents Reviewed:** Grand Canyon University - Simulation/Curriculum, Application for Program Change

**Discussion:**

**Motion:** **Collazo** motioned, **Kramer** seconded, and it was unanimously carried to Recommend approval of Grand Canyon University's Application for Program Change which includes

Changes to the Simulation/Curriculum as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

**10. Grand Canyon University, BSN Program - Admissions, Application for Program Change**

**Present:** Lisa Smith, Director, from Grand Canyon University was present and addressed the Committee members in regards to the application for program change.

**Documents:** Grand Canyon University - Admissions, Application for Program Change

**Discussion:** Committee members discussed the addition of allowing first time students to obtain admission into the program.

**Motion:** **Weiss** motioned, **DeFalco** seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of Grand Canyon University's Application for Program Change which includes Changes to the Admissions Policy as reviewed by the Education Committee on April 9th, 2021.

**Follow-up:** Add to the May 2021 Board meeting.

*11:06am Smith and Staton returned.*

**16. RN Connect Grant Update**

**Present:** Dawna Cato, Arizona Nurses Association was present.

**Discussion:** Cato updated Committee members on the RN Connect grant. The app has been highly utilized and is being utilized nationally.

**11. Article 2 Draft Rules**

**Present:** Malloch presented the draft rules

**Documents:** Article 2 Draft Rules

**Discussion:** Malloch discussed with Committee members the recommended changes in the Draft Article 2 Rules. Lots of discussion was had regarding simulation. More work will be completed but Board staff would like input from legal counsel prior to moving forward.

**Motion:** **Stetina** motioned, **Weiss** seconded, and it was unanimously carried to recommend approval of draft rules to be submitted for legal review.

**Follow-up:** Board staff will review with Board legal counsel.

**12. Deans and Directors Quarterly Education**

**Present:** Malloch discussed the quarterly Deans and Directors Virtual Meeting

**Discussion:** June 10th topics will be Article 2 Rules, Testing Accommodations, Simulation, Practice Academic Onboarding and Student Engagement. Discussion was also had about other topics that will be discussed at future meetings.

**13. Education Committee Membership Update**

**Discussion:** Malloch requested recommendations from the committee members for practice members to add to the Education Committee.

**14. Preceptor Subcommittee Update**

**Discussion:** Stetina discussed the current rules/statute definition and the recommended adjustment in the definition which is in rule. Nothing else will be done with this advisory opinion until the rules have been revised.

**15. Cohort vs Geographic Location vs NCLEX Codes vs Accreditation**

**Discussion:** Malloch discussed with Committee members the issues with Programs that have multiple sites and cohorts.

**17. CNA/LNA Updates**

**Discussion:** George updated Committee members on CNA/LNA matters. George stated the Board approved 2 waivers related to Nursing Assistant programs. The first waiver approves the Temporary Nursing Assistant Students to be placed in Advanced Placement courses once they complete 200 hours, there are currently over 700 Temporary Nursing Assistants. Due to COVID there were 24 programs that did not meet testing requirements and the Board approved a waiver to forego disciplinary action on these programs for the 2020 year.

**18. Questions/New Ideas/Innovations**

**Topic:** None

**19. Future Meeting Dates/Topics**

- 2021 Meeting Dates Reminder: 6/4/21; 8/6/21; 10/1/21; 12/3/21

**20. Debriefing on Today's Meeting**

**Discussion:** Update on when meetings would resume in person.

**21. Call to the Public**

**Discussion:** There were not any members of the public present.

**22. Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:50pm**