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MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2007

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing met in regular session on November 8, 2007, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 3, Upper Level Parking, Lansing Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Linda Taft, R.N., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Amy Perry, R.N., M.S.N.
Donica Stubbs, R.N., B.S.N.
Kathleen Lavery, R.N., M.S., C.N.M. (arrived 9:29 a.m.)
Deborah Heath, R.N.
Michelle Johnson, R.N., M.S.N.
Brenda Lewis, L.P.N.
Mary MacEachern, L.P.N.
Earl Auty, R.N., C.R.N.A., M.S. (left 11:35 a.m.)
Michelle Woods, Public Member (left 10:55 a.m.)
Bruce Andersen, Sr., Public Member
Anahid Kulwicki, R.N., M.S.N., Ph.D. (arrived 9:22 a.m.)
Margherita Clark, R.N., M.S.N., Vice-Chairperson
Linda S. Taft, R.N., Chairperson

Members Absent:

Nina A. Bugbee, R.N.
Sandra Larson, Public Member
Christopher Hermann, R.N., M.S.N., B.C., N.P.-C
John Hale, III, Public Member
Kathryn E. Lawter, Public Member
Liza Gamel, R.N.

Staff Present:

Bonnie Curtis, Secretary
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Enforcement Section
(left 9:50 a.m.)
Merry Rosenberg, Attorney General's Office
Ray Garza, Director, Health Regulatory Division
(left 9:50 a.m.)
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division
Wendy Menosky, Licensing Division
Carolyn Parkinson, Licensing Division
Robert Miller, Manager, Enforcement Section (left 9:50 a.m.)

Others Present:

Debbie Conti/Little
Kimberly Mead – Kirtland Community College
(left 11:35 a.m.)
Julie Madej – Kirtland Community College
(left 11:35 a.m.)
Ray Allen – Kirtland Community College (left 11:35 a.m.)
DeAnn Clover – Kirtland Community College
(left 11:35 a.m.)
Melissa Thomas – Kirtland Community College
(left 11:35 a.m.)
Carol Holmes, representing Deborah Conti-Little

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Woods, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2007 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Woods, seconded by Clark, to approve the agenda with the following amendment:

Under **NEW BUSINESS**, delete **B. Nurse Professional Fund Report**

MOTION PREVAILED

INTRODUCTIONS

None

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

RANDALL SCOTT WIRGAU, R.N., L.P.N. – PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Perry, to grant reinstatement, in the matter of Randall Scott Wirgau, R.N., L.P.N.

Petitioner shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years with the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Petitioner shall enter into a Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP) monitoring agreement.
- 2) Petitioner shall complete one (1) continuing education (CE) course in the area of professional accountability. This course shall be pre-approved by the board chairperson or designee and shall not count toward license renewal.
- 3) Petitioner shall complete quarterly employer reports.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Johnson, Lewis, Auty, Perry, Andersen, Stubbs, Heath, Woods, MacEachern, Clark and Taft

MOTION PREVAILED

DAVID ROBERT DAY, R.N. – PROPOSAL FOR DECISION/REINSTATEMENT

Motion by Perry, seconded by Woods, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny reinstatement, in the matter of David Robert Day, R.N.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Heath, Johnson, Andersen, Lewis, Stubbs, Auty, Woods, Kulwicki, MacEachern, Perry, Clark and Taft

MOTION PREVAILED

MICHELLE MARIE KRULL, R.N. – PROPOSAL FOR DECISION/REINSTATEMENT

Motion by Perry, seconded by Woods, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement, in the matter of Michelle Marie Krull, R.N.

Petitioner shall take and pass the NCLEX-RN exam within one (1) year. Upon successful completion of the NCLEX-RN, Petitioner shall be granted a limited license for the sole purpose of completing a nursing refresher course within (1) year. Petitioner's license shall then be automatically reclassified to a full and unlimited license.

Petitioner shall then be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years with the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Petitioner shall comply with her Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP) monitoring agreement.
- 2) Petitioner shall submit quarterly employer reports.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Andersen, Perry, Johnson, Lewis, MacEachern,
Kulwicki, Stubbs, Heath, Woods, Auty, Clark and Taft

MOTION PREVAILED

JULIE KAY CHIMELAK, R.N. – PROPOSAL FOR DECISION/REINSTATEMENT

Motion by Woods, seconded by Clark, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny reinstatement, in the matter of Julie Kay Chimelak, R.N.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Woods, Kulwicki, Auty, Heath, Andersen, Lewis,
Stubbs, Johnson, Perry, MacEachern, Lavery, Clark
and Taft

MOTION PREVAILED

DEBORAH M. LITTLE, R.N. – PROPOSAL FOR DECISION/REINSTATEMENT

Motion by MacEachern, seconded by Lavery, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement, in the matter of Deborah M. Little, R.N.

Petitioner shall take and pass the NCLEX-RN exam within one (1) year. Upon successful completion of the NCLEX-RN exam, Petitioner shall be granted a limited license for the sole purpose of completing the clinical portion of a nursing refresher course. This course shall be pre-approved by the board chairperson or designee. Upon completion of the refresher course, Petitioner's license shall be automatically reclassified to a full and unlimited license.

Petitioner shall then be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years with the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Petitioner shall undergo a Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP) evaluation by an independent evaluator and enter into a monitoring agreement, if recommended.
- 2) Petitioner shall comply with the HPRP monitoring agreement, if recommended.
- 3) Petitioner shall submit quarterly employer reports.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Heath, Johnson, Andersen, Lewis, Stubbs, Auty,
Woods, Kulwicki, Lavery, MacEachern, Perry, Clark
and Taft

MOTION PREVAILED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

See Addendum #1

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MOTION PREVAILED

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MOTION PREVAILED

Clark reported that the committee was asked how they would like the scholarship fund distributed. Their recommendation is that 50% be given to BSN completion programs and 50% to masters programs with a major or minor in education to prepare faculty for nursing programs.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Clark, seconded by Johnson, to have the scholarship fund given to BSN completion programs and masters programs with a major or minor in nursing education.

MOTION PREVAILED

DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

No report.

LICENSURE COMMITTEE

No report.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Taft reported that she reviewed thirty-eight (38) allegations: eighteen (18) were approved for investigation and twenty (20) were closed with no violation of the Public Health Code. She approved twenty-one (21) continuing education courses, denied thirteen (13) courses and approved one (1) supervisor request and two (2) probationary time period extensions to complete CE and community service requirements; approved ten (10) non-mandatory summary suspensions; reviewed six (6) mandatory suspensions served by the department; acted as conferee for nine (9) cases; and authorized two (2) cases for dismissal.

Taft reported that the 2007 Nursing Data is now available via a link at www.mhc.org.

Taft reported that COMON is proposing a change to the bylaws regarding the terms of officers from one (1) to two (2) years with no more than two (2) consecutive terms per office per organization. The vote will take place at the December 13th, 2007 meeting.

Taft reported that the First World Health Professionals Conference on Regulation (WHPCR) will take place May 17-18, 2008 in Geneva, Switzerland. The topic will be "The Role and Future of Health Professions Regulation".

Taft discussed a couple of upcoming meetings – the ACE meeting in January and a passport system pilot program meeting in February (the pilot is taking place in Southeast Michigan). She also mentioned the August 7-10, 2008 NCSBN meeting and the NCSBN mid-year meeting in March. She is looking for volunteers to attend.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

~~No report.~~ Clark reported that a written report on the Task Force will be submitted at the January meeting.

Taft recessed the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Taft called the meeting to order at 10:50 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

TASK FORCE ON NURSING REGULATION UPDATE

Taft reported that she attended three (3) meetings and participated in conference calls. She stated that the focus has been education and definitions for Advanced Practice nursing specialties.

Taft reported the work is not done. She said an additional meeting has been scheduled for December 7, 2007 and she will be attending. Taft also reported that one regulatory recommendation is ready to go to the Director regarding department staffing. Ramsdell explained that although licensure fees are collected to pay for staff to process license applications, we are still subject to any hiring freeze put into place. Ramsdell stressed that if a license applicant has everything in place, he/she can expect to be licensed in four (4) weeks. During peak times, it can range from six (6) to eight (8) weeks. Ramsdell indicated the Bureau is encouraging schools to have their students submit their licensure applications prior to graduation so that we can at least set a licensure file up. The proposed recommendation would ask that the Bureau be exempt from the hiring freeze since it is not supported by General Funds.

Lavery reported that the Task Force is working on definitions for Nurse Anesthetists, Nurse Practitioners and Certified Midwives.

Auty stated that CRNA's will not submit a definition to the Task Force. He stated that CRNA's do not want to be included in anything with the Task Force as it would hurt more than help their profession. Lavery stated that if CRNA's do not participate, then the other Advanced Practice specialties cannot move forward to define their professions in the Public Health Code.

Regarding the discussion on definitions, Auty indicated that a meeting has been scheduled with the Department Director on November 29, 2007 due to the complexities involved in defining CRNA's. He said there is no simple definition and the 1,500 CRNA's in Michigan have much to lose versus what could be gained. Auty stated he will follow up with Taft, et al with the results of the November 29, 2007 meeting.

The change to definitions will be tabled until the January, 2008 board meeting.

Clark reported on the Task Force's review of the faculty/student ratio issue. The current 10:1 ratio does not reflect the current workforce, and it was recommended it should be less than 10 – perhaps 6:1 or 8:1.

Another proposal is the elimination of clinicals of ob/gyn and pediatrics for the PN students. Classroom training would still be required but clinicals in these areas would be eliminated.

Clark also reported on the unified nursing curriculum discussion taking place at the Task Force meetings. Currently, credits range from 60 to 105 credits for Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) Programs. At community colleges, 60 to 72 credits is the average. In addition, most nursing programs do not accept transfer courses from other schools. LPN and ADN programs would have standardized curriculums, which could lead to standardized curriculums for BSN programs. Clark stated this is not an issue for the Task Force to determine but rather for the Board of Nursing's Program Review Committee.

Ramsdell also discussed a volunteer nurse license that would allow nurses to only work in an underserved area. They would also be required to complete two-thirds of their continuing education requirements.

Taft stated it has been proposed the Nurse Professional Fund fees be raised. Perry stated the increase (\$8.00 per year to \$32.00 with \$20.00 going into the fund) is not a substantial amount and would put us in line with other states. Taft is looking to gain greater flexibility with those funds and COMON is not the group that should be overseeing this fund. The Task Force wants to widen this decision-making process to a bigger group other than the Board of Nursing. Taft said the Board of Nursing should have the sole authority to determine where these funds go.

BOARD PLANNING

Taft wants to add a Rules Committee report to the January, 2008 meeting agenda. Ramsdell will contact Rules Committee members to see when they want to meet.

Ramsdell advised HB 5154 to license hemodialysis technicians has been introduced which would be under the Board of Nursing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

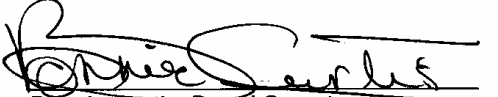
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on January 10, 2008, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 3, Upper Level Parking, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lavery, to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m.


Linda S. Taft, R.N., Chairperson

1-10-08
Date minutes approved


Bonnie Curtis, Board Secretary

11-15-07
Date minutes prepared

ADDENDUM #1

PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

November 7, 2007

Chairperson: M. Clark

Members: M. Johnson, A. Kulwicki, K. Lawter (absent), A. Perry

Annual Report

Alpena Community College (PN/ADN)

The report was received and approved. The committee commends Suzanne Weathers on the curriculum revision and the credit reduction.

Calvin College (BSN)

The report was received and approved.

Gogebic Community College (PN/ADN)

The report was received and approved.

Kalamazoo Valley Community College (PN/ADN)

The report was received and approved.

Madonna University (BSN)

The report was received and approved. The committee commends Dr. Teresa Thompson and the annual report's excellent minority information.

Mott Community College (PN/ADN)

The report was received and approved.

Muskegon Community College (PN/ADN)

The report was received and approved.

North Central Michigan College (ADN)

The report was received and approved pending clarification of credit hours for the program. One place the hours are 81 but add up to 92. The committee recommends a curriculum revision to reduce credits to be more in line with an Associate Degree (60 to 72 credits).

University of Detroit Mercy (BSN)

The report was received and approved.

Washtenaw Community College (ADN)

The report was received and tabled for the additional information comparing current curriculum the propose curriculum. Please submit this in a table format for comparison. Also, the board was not informed of the warning status from the NLNAC site visit. In the future please submit the Fall 2006 outcome, as well as, the future visit's outcome.

Initial Approval

Siena Heights University (BSN)

The initial application was received and approved to develop and submit a self study. This was an excellent proposal very comprehensive and detailed.

Rochester College (BSN)

The initial application was received and tabled for the following additional information: needs study for the Oakland, Wayne, and Macomb counties showing there will be adequate clinical placements and qualified faculty. The board is aware of nursing shortages and waiting periods for admission into nursing programs; however, southeast Michigan has faculty and clinical placement shortages. The budget does not support clerical staffing, library and other resources, and labs. Additionally two full-time faculty to instruct 100 students is disproportionate.

Major Program Change

University of Michigan-Flint (BSN)

The major program change additional information for an accelerated 2nd degree/2nd career BSN program has been reviewed and approved.

Oakland University (PN)

The major program change additional information was received and approved for the opening of an LPN program.

Site Visit

Oakland University (LPN)

The report was received and approved to admit students for the LPN program beginning in January.

Information

James Monroe School of Health Science (PN)

Proprietary School Unit will be revoking the license to operate a school based on the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge. Board of Nursing approval for the LPN education program will need to be withdrawn upon licensure revocation.

Lansing Community College (PN/ADN)

Questions were raised about dates for the Certificates of Completion.

Faculty Exceptions

Kim Moon	1 st exception	clinical	expires 9-2008	St. Clair
County Community College				
Danielle Faner	2 nd exception	clinical	expires 9-2008	(retroactive back
to September) St. Clair County Community College				
Sherrie Vaughn	1 st exception		expires 11-2008	

Mary Jo Papandrea	1 st exception	clinical	expires 11-2008
St. Clair County Community College			
Nancy Knesbeck	5 th exception	clinical	expires 9-2008 (retroactive back
to September) St. Clair County Community College			
Dawn Cummings	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Everest Institute			
Cindy Bieber	1 st exception		expires 11-2008 Southwestern
Michigan College (pending MI license)			
Barbara White	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Southwestern Michigan College			
Anne Leaf	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Kellogg Community College			
Georgia Griner	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Kellogg Community College			
Connie Brown-Olds	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Baker College Cadillac			
Joette Lambert	5 th exception (final)		expires 11-2008
University of Detroit Mercy			
Renee McCune	2 nd exception		expires 11-2008
University of Detroit Mercy			
Krista Sturgeon	1 st exception		expires 11-2008
Baker College Cadillac			
Sandra Braybrook	temporary exception 10/30/07 to 11/21/07		
Kellogg Community College			
Maureen Frein	temporary exception 10/30/07 to 11/21/07		
Kellogg Community College			

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Director Changes

Cindy Kelley, RN, MSN and Barb Whitman, RN, MSN are interim Program Directors for Baker College Cadillac as of August 31, 2007.

Laura Schmidt, RN, MSN is the interim Director of Nursing at Northwestern Michigan College with the retirement of Ann Ivers.

Jay Huntington, RN, MSN is the Nursing Program Director at Baker College Cadillac as of October 15, 2007.

Minor Changes

Alpena Community College was granted a temporary increase of 20 PN students for January 2008.

Kellogg Community College was granted a minor program change for the temporary increase of 40 students for a one time offering of the advanced placement program to aid completion of these students prior to the beginning of the ladder program in 2008.

Mott Community College was granted a minor program change for the admission, general education, pre- & co-requisites, NET, and course additions.

Hope College was granted a minor program changes for the removal of two credits from a nursing course to form a new two credit nursing course NURS 488- Nursing Internship (6) to NURS 486- Clinical Reasoning in Nursing (2) and NURS 488- Nursing Internship (4) and the change in clinical sites for two courses.

Baker College of Auburn Hills was granted a minor program change for the clinical rotation change for maternity and pediatric from spring to summer due to difficulty in obtaining placements.