

## MINUTES

### UTAH EDUCATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF NURSING MEETING

March 6, 2014

Room 464 – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 8:30 a.m.  
Heber Wells Building  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

**CONVENED:** 8:30 a.m.

**ADJOURNED:** 10:23 a.m.

**Bureau Manager:**  
**Board Secretary:**

Debra Hobbins, DNP, APRN  
Shirlene Kimball

**Conducting:**

Jodi Morstein, Ph.D, APRAN chair

**Committee Members Present:**

Sheryl Steadman, Ph.D., APRN  
Jodi Morstein, Ph.D., APRN  
Donna Lister, Ph.D, APRN

**Committee Members Excused:**

Gigi Marshall, MSN  
Debra Mills, MSN

**Guests:**

Tina Petersen, Tooele Applied Technology College  
Jonathan Tibbets, Tooele Applied Technology College  
Sean Farris, Tooele Applied Technology College

#### TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

February 6, 2014 Minutes:

Sheryl Steadman,  
Report on the World Café Meeting:

#### DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Dr. Lister made a motion to approve the February 6, 2014 minutes with corrections. Dr. Steadman seconded the motion. All Committee members voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Steadman reported the meeting was to facilitate discussion to address the grandfather provisions to the APRN. Dr. Steadman stated that the Consensus Model was not discussed at this time. NCSBN will take the information from the meeting and make a recommendation to the members at the Midyear meeting.

Dr. Steadman stated there were nine questions that were discussed. 1) the first was in regards to the APRN who is licensed in another state, but does not have a graduate

degree. Of the participants, 66% indicated they allow those who have current practice and certification to practice and 23% of the states would not endorse the applicant. 2) the second was in regards to having a graduate degree, even if it was not one of the six areas listed in the Consensus Model. 90% indicated a graduate degree was necessary, 10% would endorse if the individual were licensed before 2000. 3) the third discussion was that an applicant has a graduate degree in an APRN role, but cannot verify 500 clinical hours and/or verify completion of coursework in physical assessment, pharmacology and pathophysiology. 20% would endorse if the individual had national certification; 53% would endorse if the individual had national certification and current practice; and 26% would not endorse. 4) an applicant that has a graduate degree in an APRN role and is certified, but the certification does not align with one of the populations outlined in the Consensus Model. 43% would allow endorsement, 26% would allow six months in which to receive the accepted certification; and 30% would not endorse. 5) if the applicants' education and certification were adult only or gerontology only, 80% would leave alone. 6) and 7) the NP applicant's education and certification is adult or pediatrics but not designated as acute or primary, 70% would endorse as is in adult or general; 30% would endorse as primary care in adult or general. For pediatrics, education and certification must be pediatrics. 8) certification does not align with one of the populations outlined in the Consensus Model. 66% would not endorse. 9) the applicant has a graduate degree in an APRN role but is not certified as an APRN but has a certification in a specialty area. 90% would not endorse.

Dr. Steadman stated the based on responses, every state needs to have the Consensus Model in place so that grandfathering could take place. Dr. Steadman indicated that Committee members might be presenting at the Midyear meeting in April. Dr. Steadman also indicated that a few of the education programs are not in favor of the Consensus Model because they do not meet the requirements outlined in the Consensus Model.

Psychiatric Nurse Amendments:

Dr. Morstein reported it appears that the Psychiatric Nurse Amendments will pass this legislative session.

Dr. Hobbins reported that the Nurse Practitioner Amendments would not pass.

Jonathan Tibbets,  
Tooele Technical College:

Mr. Tibbets, Tina Peterson and Sean Farris met with the Committee to discuss a new LPN nursing program at the Tooele Technical College. Mr. Tibbets indicated they have a big market for PNs in the area.

Mr. Tibbets indicated they have questions regarding the application process. Dr. Morstein questioned when they plan on beginning the program, the number of students expected and which accreditation body they are going to work with. Ms. Petersen stated they are looking at ACEN accreditation and have been in contact with them. They would like to begin the program January 2015 and would like to begin with 10 students. Mr. Tibbets stated they are waiting to see if they receive funding from the Legislature. If funding is received, they will hire faculty. He indicated they have an association with USU Extension. Tooele Applied Technology College would like to partner with USU for the PN to RN program. The students would graduate with a degree from USU.

Dr. Steadman indicated there has been recent movement by employers advising PN employees to become RNs and the push is toward BSN. Mr. Farris stated if USU does not move to toward BSN, they will look at other programs. Mr. Farris stated the goal would be to have the student obtain the general education courses, then the PN course, then receive an associate of science in general studies, then transfer to another program to receive the BSN degree. Mr. Farris stated they would be developing an associate of applied science degree. It appears they want to offer three different pathways for students to move into the BSN. Dr. Lister also suggests they speak with Davis Applied Technology to see how they partner with Weber State.

Committee members indicated TATC should focus on the ACEN requirements, provide options for the student, and make sure the requirements are solid for the PN. They need to keep the Board informed of their progress, submit an application to the Board, and then we will grant limited time approval until they receive candidacy status.

CGFNS Certificate Review:

Jeri Chappell, Division licensing specialist, met with the

Committee to discuss a CGFNS Certificate that did not indicate that the education of a foreign nurse was comparable to the RN in the US. Committee members recommended that the individual go back to CGFNS and have them reevaluate her education to see if she has the equivalent of a PN education in the U.S. If not, she would not be eligible for licensure in Utah as an RN or PN.

Next meeting;

The April 3, 2014 meeting will be canceled. The next meeting will be held May 1, 2014.

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*

8/7/2014

Date Approved

Jodi Morstein, Chair  
Education Committee

*Debra Ann Mills*

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Chair elect*

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Date Approved

Debra Hobbins, Bureau Manager,  
Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing

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