Board of Nursing

May 15, 2001

Regular Open Board Meeting

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on May 15, 2001 in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Maris A. Lown, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT


ALSO PRESENT

Deputy Attorney(s) General: Gus Lembo, Kathy Rohr, Kathryn Schwed, Patricia A. Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Nursing, George Hebert, Deputy Executive Director, Harriet L. Johnson, Assistant Executive Director, Barbara Byers, Administrative Analyst, Kathryn Schneider, Assistant Executive Director, Massage, Bodywork & Somatic Therapy, Joanne Cole, Director, Intervention Program, New Jersey State Board of Nursing, Bernadette Dudek, Representative from the Directors Office, Division of Consumer Affairs, Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs.

NOT PRESENT

Board Member(s): Richard Freda, and Karen Rodriguez

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED PRESENT

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L.1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing on January 2, 2001. A schedule of all 2001 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2001 was provided to the Office of the Secretary of State, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, The New York Times, Camden Courier Post, and The Philadelphia Inquirer. The schedule has also been posted on the Bulletin Board at the New Jersey State Board of Nursing Office.

Approval of the May 15, 2001 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NELSON TUAZON AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MAY 15, 2001 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

A reading and approval of the minutes for the Regular Open Meeting of March 20, 2001.


THE MOTION CARRIED.
MARIS A. LOWN - REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

M. Lown reported. M. Lown continues to serve on: 1.) The Colleagues In Caring Steering Committee, and 2.) Nursing Merit Award Committee.

PATRICIA A. POLANSKY - REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

P. Polansky reported. P. Polansky commented on the first off-site meeting held at the NJHA. Nelson Tuazon chaired the teleconference. George Hebert, Professional Staff presented on APN Issues. P. Polansky recognized and thanked Noreen DAngelo, Board Member for her support in attending. It was telecast to fifteen locations and two states outside of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and South Dakota. The information shared on Pain Management End-of-Life Care was outstanding. P. Polansky recognized and thanked Barbara Byers for all of her hard work in preparing for the off-site meeting.

P. Polansky reported on the Cancer Task Force Committee in New Jersey, which is being staffed and chaired by former board President Peg Knight. This committee includes board representatives from healthcare providers including nursing. The Governor has requested that the committee come up with a final plan and recommendations that will be implemented by the State of New Jersey, in regard to cancer care, detection, and prevention.

The SANE Bill was passed and signed on May 4, 2001

CHHAS latest statistics are 33,734 licensed Certified Home Health Aides. Approximately 10,000 have been qualified through the criminal background check procedure and there are 7,000 in addition to that number in the pipe line. They are in various stages of the approval process. On May 9, 2001 P. Polansky and K. Schneider attended the Home Health Assembly of New Jersey 28th Annual Meeting and Exhibition at the Princeton Marriott Forrestal Village, Princeton, NJ.

P. Polansky recognized and congratulated N. Tuazon on having received THE NJSNA Celebrating a Century of Caring - Award.

Memo Dated March 27, 2001 from A. Lembo, DAG re: Discussion By Dr. Rokosz, President of the Board of Medical Examiners with DAGs re: The Physicians Health Program. A. Miragliotta, Deputy Director, Division of Consumer Affairs and C. Manning will be invited along with directors of other health care boards for the second in a series of education programs on addiction and addictive diseases.

Materials from the off-site meeting were passed around in regard to the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Form G Booklet and Answer Sheet to be completed within 30 days of receipt. A step-by-step instruction sheet to access the Web for completion of the Herrmann Brain Dominance Instrument Thinking Styles Assessment (HBDI) Survey is also included.

Communication Packet includes: special attention to - 1.) Catherine Farley resignation at The Division of Consumer Affairs. C. Farley, new position - The Director of Personnel for the State of New Jersey in Trenton. June Levy has replaced C. Farley. 2.) Calling all New Jersey Nurses to participate in Nursings Future an update on Colleagues In Caring. 3.) Nurse Anesthetist an update on the HCFA Rule, regarding the CRNAs. 4.) E-mail dated May 4, 2001 from Kristin Hellquist - NCSBN - re: National Nurses Week 2001. 5.) E-mail dated May 1, 2001 from Geri Dickson, Project Director, Rutgers University, re: Need Your Help! 6.) Institute of Medicine: Sweeping Healthcare change needed. 7.) Letter dated April 12, 2001: The Forums Institute For Public Policy, The Nursing Workforce Shortage: Impacts on Health and Medical Care in New Jersey. 8.) Michigan Nurses Association - News Press Releases - March 15, 2001 - For Immediate Release regarding The Patient Care at Heart of Patient Abandonment resolution. 9.) News & Analysis: NCBN - January 29, 2001: Responds To The Nursing Shortage. 10.) Nurses Salary Data. 11.) The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. 12.) HHS Study finds Strong Link Between Patient Outcomes and Nurse Staffing in Hospitals. 13.) Professional Groups Call on Congress to Address Nursing Shortage. 14.) 100 Days: HHS Recaps Bushs Health Initiatives. 15.) E-mail dated February 6, 2001 from Kristin Hellquist - NCSBN - re: ANA Statement released today. 16.) Memo - dated March 20, 2001 Mark S. Herr, Director, Division of Consumer Affairs, regarding nurses information on the net. 17.) February 12, 2001, Legislative Network for Nurses.
Handouts/Pass around includes: 1.) May 3, 2001 New Jersey State Board of Nursing - Nurses Week Teleconference - Pain Management and End-of-Life Care, The Overlook Hospital Palliative Care Program and role of APN Prescriptive Authority for CDS. 2.) State Initiatives in End-of-Life Care Issue 10, February 2001 focus: Education Preparing Future Nurses and Doctors to Care for the Dying. 3.) The Star-Ledger - April 27, 2001 In Recognition of National Nurses Week - New Jersey Nurses. 4.) National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. 2000 Annual Report - Retrospective Prospective. 5.) News from G.P. Putnams Sons - Living Well With Cancer. 6.) New Jersey State Nurses Association Web Site. 7.) The Institute for Nursing - A 100 Scholarships for 100 Years. 8.) New Jersey State Nurses Association - Peer Assistance Line - for nurses in New Jersey with chemical dependency problems. 9.) Legislative Contacts - The 209th New Jersey Legislative Directory was distributed to the Board Members. 10.) Nurse Immigration.

Information Salad - Feature Stories: 1.) New Roles For Nurses Could Be Changing. 2.) Men Have Biological Clocks, Too. 3.) Cold Medicine Warning. 4.) Disease Management on the Web. 5.) Sickle Cell Disease. 6.) Unequal Baby Testing. 7.) Human Cloning: Legislative Response. 8.) Antibiotics & Respiratory Infections. 9.) Web Watch. 10.) Jogging Shorts.


P. Polansky, announced that Kathryn Schneider has resigned her position with the Board of Nursing. We wish her the best of luck in her new endeavors and thank her for her fine contributions at the Board.
THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NELSON TUAZON AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE APPEARANCES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND STAFF.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Communication:

1. Letter dated April 3, 2001 from Carol A. Fasano, MA, RN, ANP, C, Administrative Director of Organizational Education/School of Nursing from Christ Hospital School of Nursing, Jersey City, NJ.

To notify the Board that these schools will be merging.

2. Letter dated April 26, 2001 from Sharon Zaucha, MSN, RNC, Director, St Francis School of Nursing, Jersey City, NJ.

To notify the Board that these schools will be merging.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

No report.

2. EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

L. Jurado reported. The Education Committee met on April 10, and May 8, 2001.

A. New Business: April 10, 2001 Meeting

1. New Community, Newark, NJ.

Recommendation: To grant preliminary permission for New Community to pursue the development of a Practical Nurse Program. Since New Community has an approved Vocational Technical program, it was recommended that the Practical Nurse Program be developed under the purview of the Vocational Technical Program.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO GRANT NEW COMMUNITY PRELIMINARY PERMISSION TO PURSUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PRACTICAL NURSE PROGRAM, TO BE HOUSED IN THE VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL OWNED AND OPERATED BY NEW COMMUNITY, INC.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Andover Subacute & Rehabilitation Center, Andover, NJ

Recommendation: was made not to permit the Andover Subacute & Rehabilitation Center to develop a Practical Nurse Program at this time. The Education Committee recommends that any new Nursing Education Programs be developed and administered within an existing educational institution or entity.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, (PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 ELIGIBILITY FOR ACCREDITATION) VOTED NOT TO APPROVE ANDOVER SUBACUTE & REHABILITATION CENTER TO DEVELOP A PRACTICAL NURSE PROGRAM AT THIS TIME, BECAUSE IT IS NOT AN EDUCATIONAL ENTITY.

THE MOTION CARRIED.
3. Fairleigh Dickinson University,

Informational:

Advised the Board at the end of February that there was a revision of the University's Mission Statement. They adjusted the Nursing Programs Mission Statement to reflect the new concept. These changes did not require changes in their curriculum.

4. Mountainside Hospital School of Nursing,

Informational:

Advised the Board that they changed their Chemistry requirements from a 4 credit course without a lab to a 4 credit course with a lab.

5. Thomas Jefferson clarified an earlier misunderstanding/mis-communication. Previously they had advised the Board that they were planning not to run courses in Atlantic City for the Fall 2000 semester. They have resumed, in the Spring 2001 semester, their original plan of program implementation at the Atlantic City site.

A. New Business: May 15, 2001 Meeting

1. Thomas Jefferson University, Curriculum Changes,

Recommendations: That the proposed changes be accepted as presented with the following suggestion: 1) That the program delete the .5 credits in N430 (Community Health Nursing 1.5 credits), since .5 credits is not likely to be transferable, and 2) The course syllabi be developed and presented using a uniform format.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED CHANGES WITH THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS: 1.) THAT THE 0.5 CREDIT BE EVALUATED SINCE IT IS UNLIKELY TO BE TRANSFERABLE. 2.) THAT COURSE SYLLABI BE DEVELOPED AND PRESENTED USING A UNIFORM FORMAT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Thomas Edison State College, Curriculum Changes

Recommendations: That the proposed changes be accepted as presented.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO ACCEPT THE THOMAS EDISON STATE COLLEGE CHANGES AS PROPOSED.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Seton Hall University, Curriculum Changes

Recommendations: That the proposed changes be accepted as presented with the suggestion that the Terminal Objectives be congruent with the Graduate Competencies.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO ACCEPT THE SETON HALL UNIVERSITY PROPOSED CURRICULUM CHANGES AS PRESENTED WITH THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION: THAT THE TERMINAL OBJECTIVES BE CONGRUENT WITH THE GRADUATE COMPETENCIES.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. Union County College, Report
Informational: The report identifying responses to the consultants recommendations was accepted as presented.

C. Miscellaneous

Informational:

1. Christ Hospital and Bon Secours New Jersey Health Care System, Inc are entering a collaborative venture effective March 2, 2001. The new system is now known as The Bon Secours & Canterbury Partnership for Care. The Schools of Nursing will form a partnership during the Spring 2002 semester at the Christ Hospital School of Nursing campus. They will be known as The Bon Secours & Canterbury School of Nursing at Christ Hospital.

2. NCSBN advised the New Jersey Board of Nursing that we will be a Beta site for the NCS Pearson transition program.

3. NLN submitted a letter thanking the Board of Nursing for providing them with NCLEX pass rate information that students had given permission to the Board to send. The information will help schools to predict potential for success on NCLEX based on NLN RN Diagnostic Readiness Test results.

4. NCLEX Results: Number and percent passing of first time candidates for 1/1/01 - 3/31/01 1st Quarter.

**APPEARANCES:**

1. M. Lown welcomed and introduced J. Gilson, Deputy Attorney General with the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, Trenton, NJ. J. Gilson gave a report on the State Assembly Bill No. 2083, which establishes the Statewide Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program: 5.(New Section) The Attorney General and the New Jersey Board of Nursing shall jointly establish a certification process for a forensic Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner.

    An applicant for certification as a Forensic Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner shall be a Register Professional Nurse licensed in the State and in good standing with the New Jersey Board of Nursing, and shall have the following qualifications:

    1. A minimum of two years of current nursing experience as defined by regulation of the Attorney General pursuant to section 2[12] 17 2 of this act1;

    2. Certification verifying the completion of a forensic sexual nurse examiner training program that meets requirements established by the Attorney General and the New Jersey Board of Nursing; and

    3. Demonstrates clinical competence in performing a forensic sexual assault examination.

    The Attorney General and the New Jersey Board of Nursing shall certify an applicant who meets the requirements of subsection a. of this section as a Certified Forensic Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner.

2. **Marweth Alcohol and Chemical Dependency Services, Waverly, Pa.**:

    J. Cole welcomed and introduced Margaret Jarvis, MD, Medical Director of Marweth Treatment Center in Kranton, PA., and Dott Evans, Community Relations.

    M. Jarvis, MD, Medical Director of Marweth Treatment Center gave an extensive presentation on Treatment for Chemical Dependency. M. Jarvis passed out handouts regarding, Assessment for Chemical Dependency.

3. **LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PANEL**:

    J. Cole reported. The Legislative Review Panel reviewed the following:

    **Senate Bill 2093** - Sponsor: Vitale & Bennett.Introduced February 8, 2001. This bill prohibits health care facilities from requiring certain hourly wage employees to perform overtime work. **Position - Monitor for more information.**
Senate Bill 2265 - Sponsor: Singer. Introduced March 29, 2001. This bill will require Supplemental appropriation of $12 million to Commission on Higher Education for grants to county colleges that provide nursing education programs. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) A clear criteria for submission of grant money outlined. 2.) There will be a evaluation component, and 3.) A criteria for distribution of the funds.

Assembly Bill 3294 - Sponsor: Wisniewski. Introduced March 22, 2001. This bill creates continuing education and nurse recruitment pilot program in DMAVA; appropriates $348,000. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) Because it is a pilot program, it is a reasonable dollar amount and it would increase a positive outcome for New Jersey veterans.

Senate Bill 2204 - Sponsor: Sinagra & Vitale. Introduced March 8, 2001. This bill appropriates $2.3 million to Rutgers College of Nursing to expand facilities in New Brunswick. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) There should be a strategic plan and approach in place to assess and evaluate the physical facilities for all nursing schools in the state.

Senate Bill 2208 - Sponsor: Matheussen, Turner/ Assembly Bill 3302 - Sponsor: Thompson, Quigley. Introduced March 15, 2001. This bill enters New Jersey in Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) Adjust language for purposes of discipline that NJ would not lose any statutory powers already established. 2.) Tort claims. 3.) Article 12B. needs clarity on arbitration. 4.) Compact vs DOC, compact rules.

Senate Bill 2205 - Sponsor: Vitale & Sinagra. Introduced March 8, 2001. This bill establishes New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing; appropriates $1,200,000. **Position - Support.** Comments(s): 1.) Recommends a Board of Nursing representative be included on the Committee.

Assembly Bill 3347 - Sponsor: Corodemus, Decroce/ Senate Bill 2206 - Sponsor: Matheussen, Adler. Introduced March 26, 2001. This bill establishes Specialty Nurse Education and Training Pilot Program in DHSS; appropriates $5 million. **Position - Oppose.** Comment(s): 1.) The concept is good - specialty nurses are in great demand, however, there is already a well developed educational infrastructure in NJ that we suggest they follow.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY MURIEL M. SHORE AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PANEL.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. NURSING PRACTICE COMMITTEE:

N. Tuazon reported. The Nursing Practice Committee is still gathering information from the first off-site meeting. There will be a formal report at the next Regular Board Meeting, June 19, 2001. N. Tuazon recognized and thanked B. Byers for a job well done on the first off-site meeting at the NJHA in Princeton, NJ.

5. REGULATORY REVIEW TASK FORCE:

C. Manning reported. The Regulatory Task Force met on May 1, 2001. The Regulatory Task Force has recently been looking into rules governing the Delegation of the Administration of Medications and would like to obtain guidance from the Board prior to finalizing a draft of the rule for the Boards review.

The guidelines the task force have been discussing would limit the Delegation of the Administration of Medications to the Assisted Living and Homecare Setting. The guidelines would also require that Registered Professional Nurses only Delegate the Administration of Medication to Medication Aides, Certified by the Department of Health and Senior Services, or Certified Homemaker-Home Health Aides, who have either completed a medication course or have been given all information relevant to the Administration by the Delegating Registered Professional Nurse.

The guidelines allow Registered Professional Nurses to Delegate the Administration of Medications that can be delivered through the following routes: oral, sublingual, buccal, eye, ear, nasal, rectal, vaginal, skin, gastronomy tube, jejunostomy tube, and dosage controlled aerosols and nebulizers. A Registered Professional Nurse could Delegate the Administration of Pre-drawn Insulin, given subcutaneously, and short-term schedule medication (types II-IV) for
analgesia.

The guidelines the task force are working on would prohibit a registered professional from delegating the conversion or calculation of drug dosages. A registered professional nurse also could not delegate medication that are delivered by central lines, colostomy, intramuscular, intrathecal, intravenous, nasogastric, nonmetered inhalers, subcutaneous (except for predrawn insulin), intradermal, urethral, epidural of endotracheal. A registered professional nurse would not be allowed to delegate the administration of diagnostic media or chemotherapy, the administration of medication by medication pumps, the administration of the first dose of a medication the patient has never receive previously, the responsibility for ordering medications from a pharmacy or the responsibility for receiving verbal orders from a physician or advanced practice nurse. The guidelines would prohibit an aide from teaching another aide how to administer a medication.

The guidelines would require the registered professional nurse to document in the patient record when the delegation of the administration of medications has been made and requires the aide to inform the registered professional nurse if there were any errors made in the administration.

At this time the task force is still determining if any other settings would be appropriate for the delegation of medications, and if any other individuals should be allowed to administer medications pursuant to a delegation from a registered professional nurse.

**OPEN FORUM:**

M. Lown asked the public to share with the Board of Nursing any concerns, issues, or questions.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

No report.

**SCHOOL AND AGENCY SURVEYS:**

No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Letter dated May 1, 2001 from The NCSBN-NCS Pearson NCLEX Transition Team.

To inform that the Board of Nursing has been selected to participate in the 2002 NCLEX Beta Test.

**HIDDEN TRAPS IN DECISION MAKING:**

Evaluations from the off-site meeting;

Confirming Evidence

Framing The Issue

Anchoring

Attachment To Past

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On May 15, 2001 the Regular Open Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next Regular Open Business Meeting will be held on June 19, 2001.
Respectfully submitted,

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Dr. Muriel M.
Shore Secretary / Treasurer