A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on June 1, 2012 in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Saundra Austin-Benn, Board Secretary/Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Saundra Austin-Benn
Noreen D’Angelo
Theresa Beck
Jonathan Hress
Patricia Murphy - *via teleconference
Constance Wilson

ALSO PRESENT:
George J. Hebert, Executive Director
Olga Bradford, Deputy Attorney General
Joanne Leone, Deputy Executive Director
Diane Scott, Administrative Staff
Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:
Avery Hart
Joni Jones
Luz Ramos
Karen Rodriguez
Therese Steinhardt

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 December 23, 2011. A schedule of all 2012 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2012 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.
AGENDA:

Open Regular Board Meeting Agenda of June 1, 2012: Reading and Approval:

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Connie Wilson and duly seconded by Noreen D’Angelo, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Agenda of June 1, 2012. The motion carried.

MINUTES:

Open Business Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2012: Reading and Approval:

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Connie Wilson and duly seconded by Theresa Beck, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2012. The motion carried.

REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT – PATRICIA A. MURPHY, Ph.D.:

No report.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – GEORGE J. HEBERT:

George Hebert reported:

- June 1, 2012 - met with Deans and Directors and the New Jersey Association of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs at Rutgers University to discuss the October 2011 directive from the Board regarding the use of comprehensive exit examinations.

INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:

1. 2011 NLNAC Report to Constituents
2. November 2, 2011 – letter from Brenda Porter, President, NJSSNA and Linda Morse, Executive Director, NJSSNA regarding recommendations made by the New Jersey Department of Education that would impact public education.
3. April 12, 2012 – News Release regarding “NCSBN sets an ambitious research agenda designed to advance the science of nursing regulation”.
5. April 18, 2012 – News Release regarding “CGFNS International Joins the White House and Nursing Organization to Support Veterans and Their Families”.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Connie Wilson reported on the following:

May 4, 2012 Session I:

Correspondence:

a. January 23, 2012 – Letter from Mary L. Cooper, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing, Prism Career Institute. Re: Effective January 23, 2012 Ms. Jackie Wynkoop, RN, MSN, PHRN, was appointed to the position of Interim Director of the program. **Board staff will send an acknowledgement letter.**

b. January 30, 2012 – Letter from Rose Saunders, EdD, RN, CNE, Dean, Helene Fuld School of Nursing. Re: To thank the Board of Nursing for their support of our nursing program. **Informational- Board staff will send a Congratulations letter.**

c. January 30, 2012 – Letter from Member Deans and Directors, The New Jersey Association of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs. Re: The October 2011 directive from the Board concerning the use of comprehensive exit examinations. George Hebert will meet with the Deans and Directors to discuss this matter.

d. February 8, 2012 – Letter from Ann Tritak, RN, EdD, Dean and Professor, St. Peter’s College. Re: The additional information that was requested by the Board. Discussion Needed-provide a map of where the concepts are reflected. 1) Nutrition & Health 2) Pharmacology 3) Pathophysiology.

e. February 15, 2012 – Letter from a very concerned student at Salem Community College. Re: The use of commercially prepared exit examinations. **Informational- Board staff will send copy of complaint to the school and ask school to respond.**

f. March 5, 2012 – Letter from Jovita Francis, Director of Nursing Education, Pinelands School of Practical Nursing. Re: Change in location to 1333 Route 9 Suites 4-6 Toms River, NJ 08755. **Informational – Board staff will send an acknowledgment letter.**

g. March 7, 2012 – Letter from Jay Wood, RN, CMSRN, Cumberland County Technical Education Center. Re: A corrective action plan regarding the 2011 NCLEX results for graduates of our program. **School report provided- Good assessment and plan of action. School not under the jurisdiction of the NJBON.**

h. March 16, 2012 – Letter from Joycelyn Parker, MSN/Ed, BSN, RN, Coordinator Practical Nursing Program, Atlantic County Institute of Technology. Re: To inform the Board that an appropriate corrective action plan is forthcoming. **Informational - Board staff will send an acknowledgement letter.**

i. March 27, 2012 – Letter from Rusty Miller, Director, Cape May County Technical School District. Re: A corrective action plan regarding the 2011 NCLEX results for graduates of our program. **School report provided- Good assessment and plan of action. School not under jurisdiction of NJBON.**

j. April 3, 2012 – Letter from Wendy Blume, Ed.D, Dean, Math, Science and Health Careers, Camden County College. Re: The plan of action to correct the 2011 NCLEX results for the Practical Nursing Program. **School report provided- Board staff will send acknowledgement letter, good assessment and plan of action.**

Session II of the May 4, 2012 Report: (Appearances)

1. Correspondence:
   a. BA Tech School – Board Questions Clarified – Informational

2. New Program Applications:
   a. The Center for Allied Health & Nursing Education (Associate Degree in Nursing) Part 2
      After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Theresa Beck voted to grant provisional accreditation to the Center for Allied Health & Nursing Education. The motion carried.

3. Self-Study Report:
   a. AVTECH Institute of Technology
      After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Connie Wilson voted to grant accreditation to AVTECH Institute of Technology for the period of Jan. 1, 2011 through Jan. 1, 2019. The motion carried.
   b. Prism Career Institute (Revised)
      After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Connie Wilson voted to grant accreditation to Prism Career Institute for the period of Jan 1, 2010 through Jan 1, 2018. The motion carried.

REGULATION COMMITTEE:

Theresa Beck reported on the following:

April 13, 2012 Report:

1. End of Life Continuing Education

   The Committee reviewed and discussed amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.8 which would require advanced practice nurses to complete two credits of continuing education in programs or topics related to end-of-life care every biennial renewal period.

   After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Theresa Beck and duly seconded by Noreen D’Angelo voted to N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.8 as amended. The motion carried.

2. FN – CSA Fees
The Committee reviewed and discussed amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5 that would introduce two new fees for forensic nurses – certified sexual assault (FN-CSA), $35.00 for duplicate certificates and $25.00 for written verification of certification, and one new fee for advanced practice nurses, $25.00 for written verification of certification.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Theresa Beck and duly seconded by Noreen D’Angelo voted to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5 as amended. The motion carried.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Theresa Beck and duly seconded by Noreen D’Angelo voted to approve the April 13, 2012 Regulation Committee Report. The motion carried.

OPEN FORUM:

Patricia Murphy asked the public to share with the Board of Nursing any concerns, issues or questions:

- Grace Patoures, RN, WNY Board of Education – expressed concerns regarding the revisions to the educational requirements for school nurses.
- Lorraine Clevacy, RN, NJSSNA – commented on the new law regarding Epipen.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Jonathan Hress, voted to go into closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and nursing programs. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting.

On June 1, 2012, the Regular Open Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 5, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Patricia A. Murphy
Board President