NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING
MINUTES
OPEN BUSINESS MEETING
JUNE 7, 2013

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on June 7, 2013 in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Patricia Murphy, Board President, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Noreen D’Angelo  Joni Jones
Theresa Beck  Patricia Murphy
Avery Hart

ALSO PRESENT:

George J. Hebert, Executive Director
Joanne Leone, Deputy Executive Director
Olga Bradford, Deputy Attorney General
Diane Scott, Administrative Staff
Margaret Howard, Nurse Consultant

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Saundra Austin-Benn  Therese Steinhardt
Luz Ramos  Constance Wilson

A QUORUM WAS 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 12, 2012. A schedule of all 2013 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2013 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 7, 2013: Reading and Approval:

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Theresa Beck voted to approve the June 7, 2013 Regular Board meeting agenda. The motion carried.

MINUTES:

Open Business Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2013: Reading and Approval:

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Theresa Beck voted to approved the March 1, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes. The motion carried.

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

Patricia Murphy reported:

No report.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – GEORGE J. HEBERT:

George Hebert reported:

- 2013 Renewal update – the Board is in the late renewal period for those licensees whose license expired in May. The Board is using a paperless system where all licensees are required to renew online. Nurses are allowed to work during the late period, but are required to pay a late fee of $50.
- Update – The Board of Nursing is continuing the workforce minimum dataset collection that is being collected at renewal. Data will be analyzed by the New Jersey Nursing Collaborative. Dr. Jeannie Cimiotti, DNSc, RN, NJ Collaborative Center for Nursing provided the Board with an update on the results of a survey that was conducted on a sample of NJ nurses on the topic of retirement. Data on the RN workforce will be used to predict possible shortages and assist in the allocation of resources, program development, and recruitment efforts in both the health care system and education sectors.
- The Board was asked to review and provide comment on the following bills:
  o Assembly Bill 3754 - requires firearms seizure when mental health professionals determine a patient poses threat of harm to self or others.
  o Assembly Bill 4053 - Adds two nurse educators to the New Jersey Board of Nursing.
  o Senate Bill 2727 - Scholastic Student-Athlete Safety Act; establishes measures to ensure health of student-athletes.
  o Senate Bill 2833 - Increases penalties for improper prescribing of drugs.
Senate Bill 2843 - “Autumn Joy Stillbirth and Dignity Act”; requires DOH to establish protocols for stillbirths, establishes stillbirth research database.

The Division of Consumer Affairs collates comments from the various boards regarding legislation and forward to the Governor’s office for review. The Board members will forward all comments to the Board.

**INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:**

1. February 19, 2013 – Memo from Melissa H. DiGregorio, Acting Supervisor, Administrative Rules Unit, Department of Corrections regarding Notice of Administrative Changes to N.J.A.C. 10A:1-13 and 10A:19-2.8 to include the implementation of the new telephone system.
2. March 7, 2013 – Memo from Melissa H. DiGregorio, Acting Supervisor, Administrative Rules Unit, Department of Corrections regarding Notice of Administrative Changes to N.J.A.C. 10A:9-8.2 which establishes the composition of the Special Classification Review Board.
3. March 29, 2013 – letter from Sharon J. Tanner, EdD, RN, Chief Executive Officer, NLNAC regarding a summary of actions taken by the NLNAC Board of Commissioners during its meeting on March 7-8, 2013.
4. April 1, 2013 – Memo from Melissa H. DiGregorio, Acting Supervisor, Administrative Rules Unit, Department of Corrections regarding Notice of Administrative Changes to N.J.A.C. 10A:9-5.1 and 5.2 language revisions and 10A:31-23.1 set forth adult county correctional facility rules regarding eligibility for cash or remission of time from sentence.
5. April 2, 2013 – letter from Robert A. Petzel, MD, Under Secretary for Health and Will A. Gunn, General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the VA is pursuing national policy that will recognize the full practice status of all VA Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) and the ability of VA nurses to use protocols in the delivery of patient care.
7. May 1, 2013 – Asbury Park Press article by Raymond J. Saputelli regarding “Keep nurses as part of supervised care team.
8. May 9, 2013 – Information from the US Dept of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) regarding HRSA Investments in the Nursing Workforce
9. May 18, 2013 – Email from Media@inc.ch regarding International Council of Nurses expands Global Membership.
10. May 19, 2013 – Email from Media@inc.ch regarding Judith Shamian elected as new President of the International Council of Nurses.
11. May 28, 2013 – News Release from New Jersey Nursing Initiative – New Jersey Nursing Initiative Names New Program Directors – Aline Holmes of N.J. Hospital Association, Susan Salmon of UMDNJ-School of Nursing to Lead Innovative Effort to address State’s Nurse Faculty Shortage.
EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Margaret Howard reported on the following:

May 3, 2013 – Session I:

1. Correspondence:

a. November 30, 2012 – Letter from Rafael Castilla, MD, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Eastwick College. Re: NJ Secretary of Higher Education has relicensed Eastwick College for five years and approved the conversion of the HoHoKus Hackensack School of Business and Medical Sciences to a branch campus of Eastwick College

b. December 3, 2012 – Letter from Rochelle Hendricks, Secretary of Higher Education to the Center of Allied Health and Nursing Education Re: Approval for a licensure petition to offer the AAS in Nursing at the Hackensack and Ewing locations has been approved.


d. January 7, 2013 – Letter from Rafael Castilla, MD, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Eastwick College. Re: Resignation of Barbara Sbarra, RN, MSN, Director of Nursing at the Ramsey campus and the Appointment of Emma Nabo, RN, MSN, Director of Nursing at the Ramsey and Hackensack campus.

e. January 10, 2013 – Middle States Commission on Higher Education Report submitted by Essex County. Re: Classification of Essex County as on “Warning” for its accreditation by NLNAC.


g. January 29, 2013 – Letter from Rafael Castilla, MD, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Eastwick College. Re: Curriculum updates; Hackensack campus transition.

h. February 18, 2013 – Judith Mathews, RN, PhD, Dean, JFK Muhlenberg Harold B. & Dorothy A. Snyder Schools. Re: Effective July 21, 2011 the corporate name of Solaris Health System, Inc. was changed to JFK Health System, Inc.

i. February 28, 2013 – Letter from Joan Murko, MA, RN, Interim Director, Department of Nursing, Bergen Community College. Re: Change in Total Credits for Associate in Applied Science Degree from 69 to 66. **The Board voted to approved the credit hour change.**


k. March 5, 2013 – NCSBN – A Message from Examinations. Re: In conjunction with the release of the new NCLEX Candidate Bulletin, NCSBN updated the Eight Steps of the NCLEX.

l. March 14, 2013 – Letter from Diane Gilles, Executive Director, Lincoln Technical Institute, Moorestown. Re: Effective March 18, 2013, Dr. Mary Ellen Santucci, RN, PhD will be the Director of the Practical Nursing program.
m. March 28, 2013 – Letter from Carole Skalski, MS, RN, CNE, Director, Bayonne Medical Center School of Nursing. Re: The closing of Bayonne Medical Center School of Nursing effective July 2014.


o. April 19, 2013 – Letter from Ms. Ellen Boddie, RN, BS, MSHA, MSN, New Community Workforce Development Center. Re: New Faculty members to fill both Theory and Clinical capacities. The Board voted to issue a directive to New Community advising that after 18 months the school will be placed on probation and they will be prohibited from admitting any new students into the school.

p. May 2, 2013 – Email from Diane Y. Robinson, MA, CAN, Administrative Coordinator, Holy Name Medical Center School of Nursing. Re: Name Change – Holy Name Hospital is now Holy Name Medical Center School of Nursing.

Session II:

1. Proposed Curriculum Change:

a. Gloucester County College - The proposal is well thought out and well written. The Committee recommends approval of the curriculum change for Gloucester County College.

b. The School of Nursing Hackensack University Medical Center of Mountainside. The proposal is thorough and well done. The faculty identified duplicative content and revised course as necessary. The revision produced a decrease of six credits from 77 to 71. The Committee recommends approval of the curriculum change for the School of Nursing Hackensack University Medical Center of Mountainside.

2. Self-Study Review:

a. Raritan Valley Community College - The Administration and faculty of the program evaluate the current exit exam policy in light of the October 2011 recommendation of the Board of Nursing regarding the exit exams. The Committee recommends approval of continued accreditation for eight years for Raritan Valley Community College.

3. New Program (Appearance):

a. Bethel Institute – (Part I) to establish a LPN program – The Committee recommends denial of the application of Bethel Institute to establish a LPN program.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Theresa Beck voted to approve the recommendations of the Education Committee. The motion carried.
OPEN FORUM:

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

- No comments from the public.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D’Angelo and duly seconded by Joni Jones voted to go into closed session to discuss complaints. The motion carried.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED:

NEW BUSINESS:

I/M/O Caribbean Training Education Center and/or Center for Advanced Training and Studies

The Board discussed and reviewed the Provisional Order of Probation and Denial of Accreditation (POPDA) that was issued on May 15, 2009. After discuss, the Board determined to finalize the POPDA in this matter.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Joni Jones and duly seconded by Theresa Beck voted to finalize the Provisional Order of Probation and Denial of Accreditation in the matter of Caribbean Training Education Center and/or Center for Advanced Training Studies. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

On June 7, 2013, the Regular Open Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 4, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Patricia A. Murphy
Board President