

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING  
MINUTES  
OPEN BUSINESS MEETING  
JUNE 16, 2009**

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on June 16, 2009 in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Dr. Patricia A. Murphy, Board President called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Saundra Austin-Benn Leo-Felix Jurado  
Marietta Cahill Patricia Murphy  
Noreen D'Angelo Karen Rodriguez  
Avery Hart Constance Wilson  
Joni Jones

**ALSO PRESENT:**

George J. Hebert, Executive Director  
Mary Peterson, Nursing Supervisor  
Darlene Lapola, Deputy Attorney General  
Diane Scott, Administrative Staff  
Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst (to discuss regulation changes)  
Ted Nadler, Intern  
Stefanie Rolcosz, Intern

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

Irma Bojazi

**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 November 26, 2008. A schedule of all 2009 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2009 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 16, 2009: Reading and Approval with amendments:

- The Regulation Committee Report will be presented after new business.

After discussion the Board, upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Leo-Felix Jurado, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Agenda of June 16, 2009 as amended. The motion carried.

## MINUTES:

Open Business Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2009: Reading and Approval with amendments:

- Page 14 – open forum; it should state Patricia Murphy asked the public to share with the Board of Nursing any concerns, issues or questions.

After discussion the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Sandra Austin-Benn, voted to approve the Regular Open Board Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2009 as amended. The motion carried.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT – DR. PATRICIA A. MURPHY:

Dr. Patricia A. Murphy reported:

- The Advanced Practice Nurse Regulations were approved one year from today.

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – GEORGE J. HEBERT:

George J. Hebert reported:

- 2009 Renewal Statistics – 92% of RNs that were eligible for renewal have completed the process. 94% of APNs that were eligible for renewal have completed the process. 88.86% of LPNs that were eligible for renewal have completed the process. 94.52% of Forensic Nurses that were eligible for renewal have completed the process.
- N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.5 – APN Regulations that included the practice CRNAs. The Board reviewed the language in the regulations that applies to grandfathering of CRNAs to be licensed as APNs.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Sandra Austin-Benn and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to ratify the language regarding the grandfathering of CRNAs as APNs. The motion carried.

- A discussion ensued regarding a request that was received at the Board, questioning whether or not CRNAs who are now APNs are required to have a collaborative agreement. Does a CRNA need a DEA number in order to prescribe CDS.

It was determined that unless the collaborative agreement is required at the facility where the APN is working, then it is not necessary. In order to prescribe CDS, an APN must have a CDS number and a DEA number. Such prescriptive authority is to be included in a collaborative agreement.

- The CHHA Unit is preparing for renewal in November. The Board is implementing a new process that will assist in making the renewal process more efficient. Re-Certification notice letters will be mailed in mid-September. Those chosen to renew online will be able to identify their NJ employer through a drop down menu at the conclusion of the renewal period, employer list will be generated based on the drop list. Employers

will be requested to confirm employment status of individuals appearing on their list.

- Board of Massage Therapy – Governor Corzine has appointed a new Board and an orientation has been scheduled for June 24, 2009. The Committee will continue to meet until the new Board has approved regulations.

- Appearances – 5/29/2009- Connie Wilson was invited to speak at Lincoln Technical School for Career Day. 8/12/-14/2009- George J. Hebert, Noreen D'Angelo, and Leo-Felix Jurado are scheduled to attend the NCSBN Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Saundra Austin-Benn, voted to the appearances of the Executive Director and Board Members. The motion carried.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

1. December 22, 2008 – letter from Norma R. Hertz, PhD., Director of Psychometric Services, Comira regarding validated forms of the Medication Aide Examination.

2. February 19, 2009 – memo from Darlene Kane, Budget Officer regarding FY2009 Budget Report (1st Half)

3. February 25, 2009 – letter from Neddie V. Serra, EdD, RN, Chairperson, Presbyterian Division of Nursing, Bloomfield College, regarding foreign programs and partnerships with schools in the US.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Connie Wilson and duly seconded by Joni Jones, voted to refer this matter to the Education Committee for further review. The motion carried.

4. May 27, 2009 – email from Connie Wilson, Board Member, regarding Name Badges whether first or last names are required to be place on name badges.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Marietta Cahill, voted to allow the Executive Director to use his discretion when requests are received regarding the wearing of name badges in hospitals. The motion carried.

#### INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:

1. February 12, 2009 – email from NLN Communications regarding American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to include funds for nursing and health professions.

2. February 13, 2009 – Francis Gerbasi, CRNA, PhD, Council on Accreditation regarding COA Reports of Actions on Nurse Anesthesia Education Programs.

3. February 16, 2009 – email from NLN Communications regarding NLN CEO joins Harvard's NHS III Advisory Committee.

4. March 6, 2009 – Press Release from NLN regarding Breaking ground in Assessing Challenge of Transforming Clinical Nursing Education.
5. March 11, 2009 – Board of Medical Examiners Agenda and Minutes
6. March 20, 2009 – message from NLN regarding NLN and NLNAC to Assemble Task Force to Promote Global Initiatives in Nursing Education.
7. March 24, 2009 – letter from Laura Rhodes, MSN, RN, President, NCSBN, Executive Officer, West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses applauds the National Governors Association efforts to reform health care and states for their assistance into the newly created task force.
8. April 2009 – NCSBN’s Transition to Practice Model: Frequently Asked Question.
9. April 2009 – NANN Position Statement Advocates Use of Human Milk & Breastfeeding in the NICU.
10. April 27, 2009 – Governor Corzine Signs Legislation – S621/A383 Extends term of office for members of NJ Collaborating Center for Nursing board and dedicates portion of nurse licensing fee to support center.
11. May 1, 2009 – NCSBN – Kathy Apple, MS, RN CAE, NCSBN CEO, selected to serve on ICN Observatory on Licensure and Registration.
12. May 8, 2009 – NLN Communications – Lauds President’s 2010 Budget Proposal \$125 million for title VIII Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program. Forty Percent more requested for Nurse Faculty Loan Program.
13. May 14, 2009 – email from Jennifer Martin-Steen, Membership Services, NJSNA regarding a message from the White House on Health Care Reform.
14. May 14, 2009 – NCSBN Weighs in on Health Care Reform. 15. May 18, 2009 – New Jersey Register NJ Board of Nursing Biennial License Renewal Proposed Amendment: NJAC 13:37-5.2.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### 1. EDUCATION COMMITTEE: -

Leo-Felix Jurado reported: March 17, 2009 Committee Meeting

##### 1. Self Study Report:

###### a. Ramapo College of New Jersey

The Education Committee reviewed the self-study submission by Ramapo College of Nursing during its meeting on March 17, 2009. Based on its review, the Committee requests the following revisions/clarifications:

#### Regulation Revisions/Clarifications

### 13:37 1.7 Maintaining accreditation: faculty qualifications

(d) Faculty shall develop an individual plan to maintain competency in the theoretical and practice areas directly related to their area of teaching responsibility. These plans shall be approved by the program administrator. Submit plans and activity sheets for all faculty.

### 13:37-1.8 Maintaining accreditation: curriculum organization and content

(f) 2. Nursing courses and clinical experiences in a variety of setting that include:

- i. The promotion, restoration and maintenance of health across the lifespan;
- ii. Critical thinking;
- iii. The nursing practice act, N.J.S.A. 45:11-23 et seq., and Board rules, N.J.A.C. 13:37;
- iv. Legal and ethical issues;
- v. Cultural implications for practice;
- vi. The structure and economics of the health care delivery system; Identify where this content is covered in the curriculum.

13:37-1.10 Maintaining accreditation; clinical agencies (a) Every nursing program shall provide clinical experiences through an affiliation with a clinical agency or agencies that are licensed by a governmental agency or accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting body.

(b) There shall be a written agreement between the nursing program and the clinical agency. The agreement shall be signed and adhered to by the parties and shall include provisions for:

1. Review of the terms of the agreement;
2. Notice of termination of the agreement by either party at least 120 days prior to termination;
3. Faculty responsibility for student education;
4. Collaboration between faculty and clinical agency personnel in selecting clinical experiences;
5. Joint annual evaluation of the effectiveness of the clinical experience, with input from students; and
6. A faculty to student ratio of at least one faculty member for every 10 students.

(c) Clinical agencies located outside the State of New Jersey shall meet the requirements established by the state board of nursing in that other state. Provide list of agencies that are used by the program for clinical experiences along with copies of their contract.

13:37-1.11 Maintaining accreditation: criteria for student admission, promotion and completion of the program

(a) 5. Establish and make available to students an appeals process;

9. Inform the students and applicants for admission that complaints regarding the program may be sent to the Board. Identify how the appeals process is documented by the program in public documents (e.g. Student handbook.) and shared with the students.

Identify where the Board contact information is published and how students are notified.

2. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (Deferred due to time constraints)

a. The College of New Jersey

3. Discussion: (Deferred due to time constraints) • Moratorium (Acceptance of New Application for Practical Nursing Programs)

• Lincoln Technical Institute – Three (3) sites with one (1) program code

Session II Committee Minutes

1. New Program Application (Appearances)

a. Eastwick College – RN (Part II)

The Education Committee of the New Jersey Board of Nursing met with representatives from Eastwick College to review Part II to establish an Associate (LPN-RN Bridge Program) in New Jersey.

Based on the review the Committee request that the school submits a Systematic Plan for Program Evaluation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 (e) 9. Staff will notify school.

b. Cumberland County College – LPN (Phase I)

The New Jersey Board of Nursing, Education Committee met with representatives from Cumberland County College to review Part I of their application to establish a practical nursing program in New Jersey. Based on its review the committee requests the following revisions/clarifications.

Regulations Directives

N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 (a) 2 The philosophy, organizing framework, objectives and outcomes of the program in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.5. Revise the program objectives and program outcomes Staff will notify the College.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Connie Wilson and duly seconded by Noreen D'Angelo, voted to approve Sessions I and II of the March 17, 2009 Education Committee Meeting. The motion carried.

Leo-Felix Jurado reported: May 19, 2009 Committee Meeting:

1. Session I Correspondence:

a. January 29, 2009 – E-mail from Donna Richardson, JD, RN, Director of Governmental Affairs and Professional Standards, CGFNS International Re: FYI: CGFNS has received inquiries from State Boards of Nursing regarding Foreign Educated Practical Nurses. Practical Nurses are being targeted by foreign recruiters. CGFNS has seen an increase in applications for credential evaluation report and VisaScreen certificate by those identifying themselves as Practical Nurses significantly from Jamaica, Philippines, and Haiti. Traditionally, most countries outside the U.S. do not have Practical Nursing Programs. Some State Boards of Nursing require that the country must recognize the Practical Nurse entity by granting licensure or registration. U.S. Practical Nurse Programs must be accredited by the nursing authorities; equity would demand that foreign schools be held to similar standards. CGFNS will continue to monitor and research this issue.

This issue was on the agenda for informational purposes.

b. January 9, 2009 – Letter from Carol P. Germain, RN, EdD, FAAN, Acting Chairperson, Rutgers–Camden Department of Nursing Re: FYI: Rutgers-Camden Department of Nursing is in the initial planning phases of changing its admission policy for its generic baccalaureate program. Instead of admitting students to the program in the junior year, they will admit them in the freshman year starting academic year 2010-2011.

c. January 27, 2009 – Letter from Patrice Case, MSN, RN, BC, Associate Professor and Chairperson, Raritan Valley Community College.  
Re: FYI: Carol Patterson has resigned as Chairperson of the Nursing Program at Raritan Valley Community College and Patrice Case, MSN, RN, BC. has been elected as the new chairperson.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter.

d. NCLEX RN/LPN review course providers' curriculum submission for first time and repeat takers.

- Emmanuel Adesina, RN, BSN, MS, President, Humane Concepts Healthcare Professionals Inc.
- Tina Rayfield, President, Sylvia Rayfield & Associates, Inc.
- Linda K. Houseal, RN, MSN, ACNP, BC, CCRN, Meridian Ann May Center for Nursing.

Staff will send letter informing them that the board does not regulate or evaluate review courses.

e. February 13, 2009 – Memo from Francis Gerbasi, CRNA, PhD, Executive Director, Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA)  
Re: FYI: List of the report of actions taken by the (COA) at its January 15-17, 2009 meeting.

f. February 4, 2009 – Letter from Carol A. Mohrfeld, RN, MSN, Atlantic Cape Community College  
Re: Carol A. Mohrfeld will be on sick leave approximately 6-8 weeks.

Myrna Morales-Keklak, RN, MSN will be assuming the role of Acting Chairperson beginning February 16, 2009.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

g. February 13, 2009 – Letter from Tish Gallager, PhD, RN, CNE, Dean, Wilmington University Division of Nursing and Allied Health  
Re: Seeking approval to offer a MSN program in Nursing Leadership at Cumberland Community College in Vineland.

Staff will send letter informing her that the Board only regulates entry level programs and has no jurisdiction over MSN or higher degree programs in nursing. Referred to the New Jersey Commission of Higher Education at (609) 292-2955 or [www.state.nj.us/highereducation/](http://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/)

h. February 23, 2009 – Letter from New Jersey Commission on Higher Education  
Re: FYI: Notification of its regular monthly meeting to be held on Friday, February 27, 2009 at Mary G. Roebling Building in Trenton, NJ

i. February 25, 2009 – Letter from Bonny Ross, EdD, RN, Director, St. Francis Medical Center in Trenton, NJ  
Re: Plans to change two courses from a face-to-face lecture format to a blended/hybrid format. The two courses are Physical Assessment, a one credit course and Pathways to Practice, a two credit course.

This issue was on the Committee's agenda for informational purpose.

j. February 27, 2009- E-mail from Carolyn Torre of the NJ State Nursing Association  
Re: FYI: Bills were filed in Florida to eliminate the BON ability to regulate nursing programs.

k. February 27, 2009 – E-mail from Robert Rosseter, American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)  
Re: FYI: AACN Releases 2008 Data on Nursing Enrollments and Graduations

l. March 3, 2009 – Letter from Thomas M. Eastwick, President, Eastwick College and the Hohokus Schools.  
Re: FYI: Announcing the graduation of its first class in the Bilingual Hispanic LPN program.

m. E-mail from Sharon Nemeth, RN, BSN, Med, Principal, Mercer County Technical School  
Re: Offering an LPN Refresher Course for LPN whose license has lapsed.

Staff will send letter informing the school that the board does not regulate or evaluate refresher courses. n. National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)  
Re: FYI: NCSBN Online Course for Faculty – [www.leariningext.com](http://www.leariningext.com)

• Test Development and Item Writing  
6 weeks / 17.5 contact hours / \$175

- Assessment of Critical Thinking  
6 weeks / 15.6 contact hours / \$156

o. March 5, 2009 – Letter from Russell Sawchuk, Steppingstones Partnership, Inc.  
Re: FYI: Learning Nurse.com Statistical Report from March 2008 to February 2009.

p. March 6, 2009 – Communication from National League for Nursing (NLN)  
Re: FYI: NLN Think Tank on Transforming Clinical Nursing Education

q. March 9, 2009 – Letter from Laurie Pringle, Executive Director, Lincoln Technical Institute.  
Re: Announcing that Barbara Byers, RN, MA, Ed.M. has accepted the position of Program Director at Lincoln Technical Institute at the Paramus Campus.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

r. March 18, 2009 – Letter from Margaret Sacaccio, MS, RN.  
Re: Letter informing the Board of Nursing her resignation as Nursing Director for Marie Allied Health and Technology Practical Nursing Program.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

s. March 23, 2009 – Bulletin from New Jersey Commission Higher Education  
Re: FYI: The New Jersey Commission on Higher Education will hold its regular meeting on Friday, March 27, 2009 at the Mary G. Roebling Building in Trenton, NJ.

t. March 27, 2009 – Letter from Bashir Mohsen, President/CEO, Eastern International College.  
Re: Letter informing the Board of Nursing that Micro Tech Training Center has officially become Eastern International College.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

u. March 30, 2009 – Letter from Michelle O'Neal, MSN, RN, CNE, Director of Nursing, Salem Community College.  
Re: The College recently moved the PN program back to Carneys Point Campus from the PSE&G building in Salem City.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

v. April 7, 2009 – Letter from Florence Brown, MSN, RN, APN, C, School Director, Best Care Training Institute. Re: Informing the Board of Nursing that effective April 13, 2009, Florence Brown will serve as the LPN Program Director.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

w. April 22, 2009 – E-mail from Nancy Spector, PhD, RN, Director of

Regulatory Innovations, National Council of State Boards of Nursing  
Re: FYI: Information from the Texas Board of Nursing regarding one of  
the fraudulent nursing educational programs.

x. April 24, 2009 – Letter from Timothy Inverso, RN, MSN, CEN, Nursing  
Program Director, Lincoln Technical Institute.

Re: Adding a mid-afternoon/evening class schedule to its Practical Nursing  
Program.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter

## 2. Site Visit Report

### a. Warren County Community College

The Committee reviewed the site visit report, which was conducted by  
George Hebert, Executive Director and Roseminda Santee, Advisory Panel  
Member on April 19, 2009.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and  
duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to grant Warren County  
Community College accreditation for eight (8) years. The motion carried.

### b. Holy Name Hospital (LPN)

The Committee reviewed the site visit report, which was conducted by  
George Hebert, Executive Director and Michelle O’Neal, Public Advisory  
Panel Member. Based on its review the committee makes the following  
recommendation:

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and  
duly seconded by Connie Wilson voted to grant Holy Name Hospital  
School of Nursing-PN program accreditation for eight (8) years. The  
program director and faculty must maintain current the nursing library  
resources, and faculty shall develop an individual plan to maintain  
competency in the theoretical and practice areas directly related to their area  
of teaching responsibility. The motion carried.

## 3. Self Study Report (Revisions/Clarifications)

### a. Ramapo College of New Jersey

The committee reviewed Ramapo College of New Jersey  
revisions/clarification submissions; however the Committee requests  
additional data as noted:

- A copy of a sample faculty plan form (N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.7(d).)
- An appeals process that identifies clear time frames (N.J.A.C. 13:37-  
1.11(a) 5.)
- Clearly indicate program completion criteria (N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.11(a) 8 iv.)

Signed contacts reflecting correction of deficiencies.

### b. Christ Hospital School of Nursing

The Education Committee reviewed the materials submitted by Christ Hospital School of Nursing.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Sandra Austin-Benn, voted to grant Christ Hospital School of Nursing accreditation for eight (8) years. The motion carried.

4. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (Deferred related to time constraints)

- The College of New Jersey

5. Discussion: (Deferred related to time constraints)

- Moratorium (New Practical Nursing Program Application)
- Program codes for multiply sites

6. Curriculum Changes:

a. Atlantic Cape Community College

The Committee reviewed Atlantic Cape Community College (LPN) program proposed curriculum changes. The proposed changes are to have the LPN students' entry into the nursing program be changed from the 3rd semester to the 2nd semester.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Marietta Cahill, voted to approve Atlantic Cape Community College-LPN Nursing Program curriculum change pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:37-1.16. The motion carried.

b. Salem Community College

The Committee reviewed Salem Community College-ADN Nursing program proposed curriculum changes. The changes proposed are to replace MAT 115, Fundamentals of Math for Nursing (3) credits to MAT 201, Statistics (3 credits).

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to approve Salem Community College-ADN Nursing Program curriculum change pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:37-1.16. The motion carried.

Session II Correspondence:

- a. February 26, 2009 – Letter from Melissa G. Barnes, Class President, Jerrothia Riggs Adult Education Center in Camden, NJ.  
Re: Camden Board of Education who funds the LPN program has decided to end the LPN program in April 2009.

Staff will send acknowledgement letter recommending that Ms. Barnes contact the Department of Education.

- b. April 7, 2009 – Facsimile from Southern New Jersey Technical School  
Re: Close out student list for the LPN Program

The Committee reviewed the close out list which indicates the expected date

of graduation for the students that are still attending the program. As indicated on the submission the following classes and their expected dates of graduation are listed as follow:

CLASS of Expected date of Graduation  
March 2009-2009 May 2009  
June 2008-2009 July 2009  
September 2008-2009 October 2009

The Committee proposes that staff sends a letter to Southern New Jersey Technical School at the end of June 2009 requesting where students are.

## 2. Revisions/Clarifications:

### a. Eastwick College-ADN(LPN-RN Bridge Program)

The Education Committee reviewed Eastwick College revisions/clarifications. Based on the review the Committee request that the school incorporate faculty responsibilities throughout the Systematic Plan for Program Evaluation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 (e) 9.

Staff will notify school of recommended changes.

### b. Cumberland County College-LPN (Phase I and Phase II)

The Committee reviewed Cumberland County College-LPN Part I revisions/clarifications and Part II of the preliminary application for the establishment of a new Practical Nurse program

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to approve of Part I revisions and Part II of the preliminary application for the establishment of a new Licensed Practical Nurse program; and Cumberland County College be granted permission to begin admitting students to the Practical Nurse program, pending results of the site visit. The motion carried.

## 3. New Program Application (Appearances)

### a. Marie's Allied Health & Technology – LPN- (Part II)

The Education Committee met with representatives from Marie's Allied Health & Technology Institute and reviewed Part II of the application to establish a practical nursing program in New Jersey. After reviewing Marie's Allied Health & Technology Institute- Part II application submission the Committee request further revisions/clarifications.

Staff will notify school

### c. Sanford Brown Institute- LPN- (Phase II)

The New Jersey Board of Nursing Education Committee met with representatives from the Sanford Brown Institute and reviewed Part II of the application to begin a practical nursing program. Based on its review the submission requires revisions/clarifications as noted below:

## Regulation Revisions/Clarifications

N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 (e) 4

Appeals policy for any disciplinary matters Need to:

1. Include reference to Board of Nursing
2. Time frames

N.J.A.C. 13:37-1-2 (e) 7

The curriculum plan, including course objectives for all nursing courses;

Need to:

1. Provide a definition of credits.
2. Provide a description of credit allocation for theory, lab, and clinical hours.
3. Discuss ratios of theory to clinical hours
4. Provide a grid outlining a typical class week.
5. Provide a sample calendar for 1st class.

N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.2 (e) 9

A written Systematic Plan for Program Evaluation of the effectiveness of the curriculum. The Plan shall indentify the communities of interest, which include any person or group who is interested in quality of graduates from a nursing program, and shall include: Need to:

1. Present the Systematic Plan for Program Evaluation in a grid format.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to approve Sessions I and II of the Education Committee Report of May 19, 2009.

### 3. LEGISLATION COMMITTEE:

The Board was asked to review the following bill:

A3934 – Concerns use of health information technology products. The bill will allow comprehensive management of medical information and the secure exchange of such information between health care consumers and providers.

Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act – This law will permit the waiver or modification, in emergencies of licensure standards for health practitioners. The law would make volunteer health practitioners available for rapid deployment in response to emergency declarations without awaiting actions on the part of host states, while allowing those host states control over the volunteer health practitioners within their borders.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Karen Rodriguez, voted to hold/monitor for more information. The motion carried.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS:

Charles Manning discussed the following issues:

### 1. Foreign Nursing Programs and Continuing Education Adoption

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded by Noreen D'Angelo, voted to approve the adoption of amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-2.3, which permit foreign educated nurses to take the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English in International Communications (TOEIC) English proficiency examinations, and N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, which recognize that nursing courses completed to satisfy continuing education requirements of another State agency or a Federal agency qualify for Board continuing education credit. The motion carried.

### 2. Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Supervised Clinical Practice Adoption

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Marietta Cahill, voted to approve the adoption of amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5, 16.4, and 16.11. The amendments clarify that clinical hours in a school of massage, bodywork and somatic therapy must be supervised by faculty members who are on-site and must consist of at least 90 hours working on members of the public. The amendments also delete provisions which permit the Board to approve continuing education courses. The motion carried.

### 3. Organ and Tissue Donation Education Proposal

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Noreen D'Angelo and duly seconded by Leo-Felix Jurado, voted to approve for proposal amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.8, which require that registered professional nursing education programs include in their curricula instruction in organ and tissue donation and recovery, and amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, which require registered professional nurses to complete a continuing education course in organ and tissue donation and recovery. The motion carried.

### 5. REGULATION COMMITTEE:

Noreen D'Angelo reported: March 17, 2009 Committee Meeting

Old Business:

#### 1. N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.1: Delegation and Supervision

The Committee discussed the concept of delegation as it relates to Registered Professional Nurses delegating nursing activities to LPNs or unlicensed assistive personnel. Discussion examined the documentation modalities currently used by a number of different work environments. DAG Megan Cordoma discussed with the committee the possibility of trying to work on new language of the Home-Maker Home Health Aide regulation N.J.A.C. 13:37-14.3(b). Discussion ensued and concluded with a recommendation to continue the dialogue at the next scheduled meeting. Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, DAG Darlene Lapola and DAG Megan Cordoma will bring additional information to the next meeting.

2. N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5, 16.4 and 16.11: Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy supervised clinical education adoption.

The Committee reviewed and discussed amendments N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5, 16.4 and 16.11 to Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy which deals with clinical practice requirements and Board approval of continuing education courses. The Board received no comments on these proposed amendments.

3. N.J.A.C. 13:37-2.3 and 5.3: Continuing Education Courses adoption

The Committee reviewed the amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-2.3 and 5.3, which deals with English evaluation examination for graduates of foreign nursing programs and continuing education courses. The Board received no comments on the proposed amendments.

4. N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.8: Maintaining Accreditation-Organ Donation

The Committee reviewed the amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:37-1.8 and 5.3, which would implement the requirement of P.L. 2008, c.48. The amendments would require professional nursing education programs to include organ donation as part of their curriculum and to offer a continuing education course in organ donation. In addition, the amendments require registered professional nurses to complete a one hour continuing education course on organ donation.

5. N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.9: APN Practice (Deferred to the next meeting)

Discussion:

a. Reinstatement/Endorsement applicants circumventing UEA 5 year rule

The Committee discussed the issued that involved an expired licensee that circumvented the N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.2(f) by applying for licensure by endorsement. The regulation mandates completion of all initial requirements for individuals who possess a license that has been expired for five or more years. According to the applicant, she lists her work experience as consisting of working for a New York staffing agency. The Committee suggests that the applicant submit a detailed outline of her nursing work experience and a performance evaluation from her current nursing employment. Staff will notify applicant.

May 19, 2009 Report:

Old Business:

1. N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.1: Delegation and Supervision

The Committee discussed the concept of delegation as it relates to Registered Professional Nurses delegating nursing activities to LPNs or unlicensed assistive personnel. Discussion ensued and concluded with a recommendation to uphold the current regulation and only make amendments on the Home-Maker Home Health Aide regulation N.J.A.C. 13:37-14.3(b). Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst and DAG Megan

Cordoma will bring additional information to the next meeting.

## 2. N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.9: APN Prescriptive Practice

The Committee discussed whether an APN can self prescribe medication. Discussion ensued and concluded that currently there is nothing in the Board statues or regulation that prohibits self prescribing. The committee voted to table this discussion until other issues arise.

## 3. Bill: S621:

The Committee reviewed Bill S621, which extends the term of office for members of NJ Collaborating Center for nursing board and dedicates portion of nurse licensing fee to support center. April 27, 2009 signed by Governor P.L.2009, c.47.

On the agenda for informational purpose.

## New Business:

### 1. N.J.A.C 13:37-9.8: Renewal of Certification

The Committee reviewed and discussed N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.8, Renewal of Certification for FN-CSA to determine whether a certificate holder should retake the entire course for failure to renew their certificate for a period of 5 years or more and now wishes to have his or her certificate reinstated. Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst will explore the issue and provide additional information to the next meeting.

## Correspondence:

1. April 17, 2009 – Email from Nancy Lorince, Managing Director, ComForcare Senior Services.  
Re: Online CNA to HHA training

Staff will send letter indicating that an online HHA training course does not comply with regulation and that testing must be conducted onsite.

After discussion, the Board, upon a motion made by Karen Rodriguez and duly seconded by Connie Wilson, voted to approve the Regulation Committee Reports of March 17, 2009 and May 19, 2009. The motion carried.

## OPEN FORUM:

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

- Josephine Husking, Nursing Director, Eastwick College, inquired about a site visit to the program. Ms. Husking provided information the Board about the bi-lingual program that is offered at the program. Ms. Husking also inquired about whether students who have failed the NCLEX three times, have to find their own refresher courses.
- Russ Lynn, President, New Jersey Association of Nurse Anesthetists –

thanked the Board for the work on the APN regulations. Mr. Lynn commented on the collaborative agreement for the APNs.

After discussion, the Board upon a motion made by Karen Rodriguez and duly seconded by Marietta Cahill, voted to go into closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and nursing programs. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

On June 16, 2009 the Regular Open Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on September 22, 2009.

After discussion the Board, upon a motion made by Leo-Felix Jurado and duly seconded Joni Jones, voted to adjourn the Regular Open Board meeting of June 16, 2009 at 12:00 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Leo-Felix Jurado  
Secretary/Treasurer

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