



**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING
MINUTES
REGULAR OPEN BOARD MEETING**

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on October 22, 2002 in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey, Maris Lown, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Board Members:

Noreen D'Angelo, Sylvia C. Edge, Leo-Felix Jurado, Maris Lown, Virginia McKenney, Muriel Shore, Nelson Tuazon, Margaret M. Kirchhoff, Cecilia West and Veronica McGreevey.

ALSO PRESENT

Patricia A. Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Nursing, Barbara Byers, Administrative Analyst, George Hebert, Deputy Executive Director, Joanne Cole, Director Intervention Program, Deputy Attorney(s): General: Darlene Lapola and Victoria Manning.

EXCUSED

Board Member:

Ronald H. Carr.

NOT PRESENT:

Board Member:

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, 2002. A schedule of all 2002 Regular Open Board Meeting to be held during 2002 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 Amendment to the October 22, 2002 Regular Open Board Meeting Agenda.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NOREEN D'ANGELO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE OCTOBER 22, 2002 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

A reading and approval of the minutes for the Regular Open Business Minutes of September 24, 2002.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NOREEN D'ANGELO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2002.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

MARIS A. LOWN - REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

M. Lown reported. The work of the Colleagues and Caring Committee has officially come to a close. Geri Dickson, Project Director will continue to work on securing funds for nursing programs. M. Lown announced the resignation of the Executive Director of the New Jersey Board of Nursing, Patricia A. Polansky.

PATRICIA A. POLANSKY - REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

P. Polansky reported. P. Polansky recommended that the Board formally invite Geri Dickson to give a report when the final survey results are completed.

P. Polansky announced with regret the resignation of Joanne Cole, Director Intervention Program and Nancy Moree, Paralegal.

* P. Polansky reported on the PR&E Committee Meeting which was held on October 3, 2002 in Chicago, IL.

* Report on the 2003 PR&E Committee Tactics:

- To develop methods and resources to promote uniform scope of practice.
- To review and revise if necessary the model nursing administrator rules.
- To develop criteria for member boards using national accrediting agencies for the accreditation of nursing education programs.
- To analyze data obtained from member distant education surveys, which reflect the entire continuum of nursing practice.
- To identify evidence based indicators of quality nursing education programs.
- To determine the effectiveness of models for nurses transitions from education to practice.
- To conduct the second employer survey to monitor and enhance data obtained from the 2001 survey.
- To provide resource material to member boards on education, immigration and endorsement of foreign nurses.
- A Thank you letter dated October 4, 2002 from August Lembo, former DAG of the New Jersey Board of Nursing.
- Memo dated September 25, 2002 from Patricia Polansky re: New License Certificates.
- JACHO unveils New Accreditation Process.
- Kennedy Bill to Promote Voluntary Reporting of Medical Errors.
- Email dated Oct 3, 2002 from Kristin Hellquist re: HHS Forges Partnership with America's Nurses.
- "Handouts/Pass Arounds" - 1.) Email dated September 30, 2002 from Geri Dickson re: Collaborating Center for Nursing. 2.) Information from Christine Ward re: NCSBN Patient Safety Summit. 3.) Letter dated September 24, 2002 from Linda Carney, RN, MA, President, Institute for Nursing re Nursing Diva and Don Dinner.
- "Communication Packet" - 1.) Memo dated September 25, 2002 re: New License Certificates. 2.) Thank you letter dated October 4, 2002 from August Lembo former DAG of the New Jersey Board of Nursing. 3.) News Release from NJ/DOHSS - Commissioner Warns of Listeria risk from consuming sliced turkey deli meat. 4.) Stories. 5.) Email dated October 3, 2002 from Kristin Hellquist re: HHS Forges Partnership with America's Nurses.
- "Information Salad" - 1.) Weather Forecast Related to Health. 2.) States Rationing Vaccines for Children due to Shortage. 3.) Uncompensated care at Wisconsin Hospitals Jump 60% in Five Years. 4.) NHLBI Study Finds Athletic Apathy Among Young Females.

- P. Polansky seeks approval for: 1.) Patricia Polansky - October 30, 2002 - Invited to attend the NJ AHEC & UMDNJ - SOM The Interdisciplinary Training Institute's 4th Annual Host Site Award Reception for Collaborating Organization in Stratford, NJ.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY CECILIA WEST AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE APPEARANCE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Communication:

1. Letter dated September 30, 2002 from Nancy S. Redeker, Ph.D., R.N., CS, Interim Dean, Director, Graduate Programs, Associate Professor, Rutgers College of Nursing re: Dr. Felissa Lashley appointed new Dean.

APPEARANCES:

1. Mr. J. Scott Clemmensen, Vice President, Human Resources Capital Health System, Trenton, NJ. Mr. Clemmensen gave a detail presentation on the "Nursing Shortage". Information regarding staffing strategies was distributed.
2. Maris Lown, Board President, Patricia Polansky, Executive Director and Kathryn Schwed, DAG made presentations to the Board regarding Harriet Johnson's years of service to the New Jersey Board of Nursing.
3. Kevin McNally, Program Manager, Department of Health and Senior Services, Trenton, NJ gave a presentation on "Childhood Lead Poisoning: New Jersey Lead Law Implementation". Implementation packets regarding "The New Childhood Lead Law" were distributed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

No report.

2. EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

L. Jurado reported. The committee met on October 8, 2002 to discuss the following issues:

- HoHoKus School of Business and Medical Sciences PN Proposal Their proposal was reviewed by the Education Committee and it was found to need further work.
- NCSBN Research Brief: 2001 Licensure and Examination Statistics
- Disciplinary Section: Education Programs
- Correspondence

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NELSON TUAZON AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PANEL:

M. Shore reported. The Legislative Review Panel discussed the following:

- The Panel invited Cecilia West, Advanced Practice Nurse and member of the Board to come to the Panel to clarify, answer questions and to explain some of the provision in **Senate Bill 1711** - legislation that has been proposed by Senator Vitale. The committee has not made a recommendation to the Board, but would like to

invite Andrea Augenbaugh, CEO of the New Jersey State Nurses Association to the next Legislative Review Panel to discuss the bill further.

- The Panel was asked by the Division of Consumer Affairs to clarify the Board's position on **Assembly Bill 2576** - This bill explains how workmen's compensation issues would be determined. The Panel opposed the legislation, because it gave the authority for determining workmen's compensation awards to a judge. The Panel felt that it needed to be someone more neutral. The Panel is concerned with the language in the bill.
- **Assembly Bill 2689** - This bill is a patient surgical safety act. This is primarily directed at physicians who are doing minor surgeries in their offices. The Panel believes that the intent of this bill is to provide safeguards. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) Have agreements with local hospitals. 2.) Have a response time of 20 minutes in case of a patient emergency, or if the patient has to be transported. 3.) The physician would also have to produce credentials that they are on the staff of the hospitals triaged to by the physician's office.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DR. 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 committee met on September 24, 2002 to discuss the following:

Issue: New Community Representatives

Informational: The Committee welcomed three (3) new Community Representatives to serve on the Nursing Practice Committee. A brief summary on the Community Representatives is attached.

The Committee expresses appreciation to the Nursing Executives of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, the Meridian Health Care System, and Valley Hospital for their approval of the Community Representatives to serve on the Nursing Practice Committee of the Board, in addressing key nursing practice issues in New Jersey.

Issue: Tele-conference on "Complementary/Alternative Medicine: Paths to Wellness."

Informational: On September 27, 2002, the Nursing Practice Committee hosted a New Jersey Board of Nursing tele-conference on "Complementary/Alternative Medicine: Paths to Wellness," broadcasted from the New Jersey Hospital Association.

The keynote speakers were: 1.) James N. Dillard, M.D., D.C., CAC, University Pain Center, New York, N.Y. 2.) Ooi-Thye Chong, R.N., M.P.H., Health, LLC, New York, N.Y., and 3.) Howard J. Radzyner, Member Advocate of US Tele-Med, served as program producer.

The tele-conference was well received. The program evaluation will be available for the November 19, 2002 Board meeting.

The Committee expresses appreciation to the New Jersey Hospital Association for broadcasting the tele-conference, and to US Tele-Med for serving as program producer.

Issue: New Jersey Board of Nursing Summit: "Vision of Excellence - LPN Scope of Practice."

Informational: On October 11, 2002, the Nursing Practice Committee hosted the LPN Summit on "Vision of Excellence: LPN Scope of Practice, held at Monmouth Vocational Career Center, Freehold, N.J.

Through discussion groups, the Board addressed five LPN scope of practice issues:

1. LPN's accepting telephone orders in an acute care facility.

2. LPN's role in re-insertion of gastrostomy/supra-pubic tubes.
3. LPN's role in delegating tasks to UAP's.
4. LPN's responsibility for own actions when given a patient assignment.
5. LPN's licensure by examination and endorsement in New Jersey.

The discussion groups provided significant feedback, and recommendations to the Board on the five nursing practice issues.

The Board will address the discussion groups' feedback and recommendations at the Board Retreat on April 15, 2003 for Board action on LPN Scope of Practice Issues in the new millennium.

A summary of the Summit evaluation will be available for the November 19, 2002 Board meeting.

The Committee will meet on November 19, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, Newark, N.J.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE NURSING PRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. REGULATORY COMMITTEE:

M. Shore reported. The Committee met on October 8, 2002 to discuss the following:

Issue: Committee Regulations Flow Sheet 2002

Informational: The Committee Regulations Flow Sheet is outlining the regulatory issues being addressed by the Regulatory Committee.

Issue: Nurse Ratios and Mandatory Overtime

Informational: The committee reviewed information from the New Jersey Hospital Association on Nurse Ratios and Mandatory Overtime. The committee will refer the issue of nurse ratios and mandatory overtime to the Nursing Practice Committee for further review.

Issue: Delegation of the Administration of Medications

Informational: Guest appearance: 1.) Noreen D'Angelo, Executive Assistant, New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services. 2.) Elinor S. Fritz, Director, Long Term Care Assessment and Survey, and 3.) Deborah Gottlieb, Esq., Program Manager, Office of Program Compliance, Long Term Care Licensure and Certification.

Noreen D'Angelo, Elinor Fritz and Deborah Gottlieb appeared before the Committee to request that the Board delay any action on N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.6., Delegation of the Administration of Medications. The Department is concerned that the new proposed rules being developed by the Committee would infringe on the Department's statutory control over settings in which healthcare is provided. The Committee decided to delay any action on N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.6, for two months, allowing the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services time to review the draft rules and to submit to the Committee any suggestions for changes.

Issue: Nursing Education Regulations

Informational: The Committee discussed rules regarding conditional accreditation and probation. The Committee

requested that Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, draft revisions in the rule for Committee review on November 12, 2002.

The Committee will meet on November 12, 2002, 9:00 a.m. in the Hunterdon Conference Room, 6th Floor, Newark, N.J.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NELSON TUAZON AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE REGULATORY COMMITTEE REPORT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DR. MURIEL M. SHORE AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL ISSUES.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NELSON TUAZON AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

OPEN FORUM:

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

Andrea Augenbaugh, CEO, of the New Jersey State Nurses Association thanked Patricia A. Polansky, Executive Director of the New Jersey Board of Nursing for her outstanding leadership and many contributions to nursing during her years with the Board.

Angela Richman, CRNA, Executive Director of the New Jersey Association of Nurse Anesthetists (NJANA) gave a brief presentation to the Board regarding CRNAs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

There is a posting of the minutes on our website:

www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/medical.htm#nur6

ADJOURNMENT:

On October 22, 2002 the Regular Open Business Board Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. The next Regular Open Business Meeting will be on November 19, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

Maris Lown
Board President

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