

**Kansas State Board of Nursing  
Landon State Office Building, Room 106  
Education Committee Minutes  
December 14, 2004**

- Committee Members: Joan Sheverbush, RN, MN, Chair  
Karen Gilpin, RN, MSN, CNAA, Vice Chair  
Judith Hiner, RN, BSN, CNA  
Wanda Bonnel, ARNP, PhD  
Vera Streit, RN, MN  
Judith Calhoun, RN, PhD, absent with prior notice.  
Jeanne Walsh, RN, MSN  
Debra Dale, LPN
- Staff: Nancy Mosbaek, PhD., RN  
Roberta Kellogg, Administrative Specialist
- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Joan Sheverbush, Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. in room 106 of the Landon State Office Building.
- Review of onsite packets:
- Add/Revise agenda: Stands as written.
- Minutes: The minutes of the September 13, 2004 meeting were reviewed. It was moved to approve minutes as corrected. Motion #1 Bonnel/Gilpin Adopted.
- Educ. Spec. Rept.: N. Mosbaek Education Specialist report included in the packet. Contents reviewed and discussed.
- Old Business:**
- Curr. Change Guidelines: Major Curriculum Change guidelines – Ad Hoc Committee Report. If approved today will be placed on web and educators can review on the web and make comments. It was moved that the Major Curriculum Change Request Form with editorial comments be approved. Motion #2 Walsh/Streit Adopted.
- It was moved the minor curriculum change request form with editorial change be accepted. Motion #3 Streit/Bonnel Adopted.
- Refresher Course Regs. Refresher course changes for nurses licensed but not working for 5 years. Draft for committee to review and will bring back to committee in March. Suggest clinical experience for RN in acute care be a minimum 110 hours. The LPN clinical experience in acute care will be a minimum of 70 hours.

- 60-3-105: Take restrictive hours off theoretical content. Staff is to make the suggested changes and bring back to the committee in March.
- Review Course Regs. (unlicensed personnel/ petitioners) Table until March
- Annual Rept. Summary: N. Mosbaek reviewed the annual report summary. Need to define "part time" instructors. Reports for RNs and PNs in the 2005 Annual report will be separate.
- NCLEX Requirements: Discussion was held over requirements to take NCLEX in Kansas i.e. clinical hours. Excelsior College uses a competency based test for clinical experience. The state of Indiana is developing a similar program. Personnel from Excelsior College would like to visit with the Committee. Committee can review Board of nursing requirements for graduates.
- Laura Graham Asst. AG spoke to the committee about regulation requirements relating to clinical experience in the Nurse Practice Act. Excelsior College does not meet the clinical requirements in the Kansas Nurse Practice Act. The Board is on solid ground requiring clinical experience in all areas. It was said that most out of state schools require clinical in all areas.
- The committee asked if transcripts can be required from all new applicants and endorsement applicants. Ms. Graham opinion was that it is within regulations to do so. It was moved that to assure compliance with KSBN regulations that transcripts be required for all new graduates and endorsements and that a clinical component is an integral part of the educational program. Also request that Laura Graham send a response letter to Excelsior College. Motion #4 Gilpin/Walsh Adopted. Excelsior is derived from Regents and has a connection to Rue.
- Pass rates: Retake statistics was briefly reviewed. The Committee would like Nancy to place the statistics on the web using comparison rates and will use 5 years of statistics.
- Format for Web site: Looks good.
- Survey Results: Background Survey Results were reviewed and costs were discussed. It was reported that background checks and drug screens are run together and it does create problems due to false positives. Expense is huge for students and employers. Big picture that committee needs to be looking at. Missouri has background and finger printing requirements. If there are to be changes regulation changes will be required. It was suggested the Investigative Committee look at this issue prior to

submitting recommendations to the Board. It was moved that the Board pursue background checks and fingerprinting for all new applicants. We recommend input from the Investigative Committee. Motion #5 Walsh/Gilpin Adopted.

**New Business:**

Survey dates Every 5 year survey reviewed. Will place on the web for review by program directors.

Ks. Clinical Facilities: Out of state programs using Kansas clinical facilities – OK Wesleyan. Nancy to send letter stating instructors must meet Kansas requirements.

Sharing Clinical Facilities Guidelines for sharing clinical facilities. Nancy talked to the committee about this. It was suggested programs and facilities work out a plan.

Time Frame Change: Possible time frame change for graduate status. KNEP with KONL findings go along with national findings. Staff to conduct a survey seeking information from the industry side regarding this issue. Tabled until March. It was consensus of committee to conduct a survey. Washburn is supportive of no time lapse.

BREAK: 11:05 A.M.

Open Session: 11:20 A.M.

**Consent Items:**

Petitions: Angela Crank, Kristi Mason, Joshua McKinsey, Crystal Burdick, Mary Garcia, petitioned the committee to retest. It was moved to accept petitions of Angela Crank, Kristi Mason, Crystal Burdick, Mary Garcia and Wilson Natabo to retake respective exams. (given completion required study plans.) Motion #6 Bonnel/Hiner Adopted.

**Program Requests:**

Brown-Mackie: Brown Mackie, Salina, represented by Linda Henningson, RN, BSN, and MS presented an application to start a new program (bi-level, PN/ADN). The request is based on the demand for nurses expected to continue to rise as the baby-boom generation ages. Brown Mackie College is approved and authorized to grant the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree by the Kansas Board of Regents, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Presently there are no other LPN schools within a 50 mile radius of Salina. The Kansas Wesleyan University Associates Degree is being phased out and in 2005 will be exclusively a Baccalaureate program. There

will be no direct competition with other schools of nursing in the area.

During discussion questions surfaced regarding instructors meeting criteria and having appropriate credentials to be instructors in nursing. Directed to meet with schools of nursing that are within a 75 mile radius of the proposed Brown Mackie program to be located in Salina. The committee directed Brown Mackie to submit the following information regarding transferability of courses, Kansas Articulation Agreement, clinical availability and possible overload, courses rewritten and posted out and evidence of communication with other schools. Committee will consider a special meeting via conference call if requirements are met. Brown Mackie will submit required items to N. Mosbaek for review prior to the meeting.

Pratt Community College: Pratt Community College represented by Gail Withers, Dean of Nursing, requested to offer satellite ADN in Cowley County. This partnership is not expected to have a significant impact on the current nursing programs in the area. The closest nursing program is Southwestern College in Winfield. Students entering an ADN Nursing cannot afford the added cost of a private school and typically prefer to start with an ADN with some advancing for a BSN. Primary concern of the committee was the potential effect on other nursing programs in the area. Pratt Community College is to submit a clinical grid showing evidence of collaboration with other nursing school programs and more in depth faculty information including the actual number of faculty and assignments by the end of January 2005. Request tabled with the option of action during special meeting via conference call.

#### **Major Curriculum Requests:**

WATC: Wichita Area Tech. College represented by Dorothy Hawthorne requests a Major Curriculum Change to reduce total program hours from 1200 to 1005 and reduce program length from 2 21 week semesters to 2 18 week semesters. This request is the result of the Kansas State Board of Regents recent realignment of the technical colleges within the KBOR system. It was moved the major curriculum change from WTC be accepted as presented. Motion #7 Streit/Walsh Adopted.

Southwestern College: Southwestern College represented by Martha Butler, requests a Major Curriculum Change request to eliminate NURS 323 Caring as Cooperative Endeavors 2 from their curriculum. NURS 323 is a one hour practicum course that was designed to provide continuation of the practicum experience for NURS 313. The content of the experience formerly included in NURS 313 and NURS 323 will continue to be addressed in NURS 313; the only difference

is that the student-generated project will be completed in one semester rather than two semesters. The change will reduce the number of nursing credit hours in the nursing major from 56 to 55. The total number of hours required for the BSN remains 124. It was moved to accept requested curriculum changes and to eliminate NSG323 based on rationale provided. Motion # 8 Bonnel/Hiner Adopted.

JCCC.

Johnson County Community College represented by staff Kathy Carver, RN, MSN and Jandee Isaacson, RN, MSN request approval of a Re-Entry course for Registered Nurses. This proposal offers another strategy to meet the nursing shortage. By initiating a new RN refresher course to prepare the individual to re enter the health care setting for employment after an extended absence from practice. This RN Refresher course will have a total of 260 contact hours that includes at least 80 hours of theory and 180 hours of preempted clinical in the acute care setting. It was moved we accept the RN Refresher course at Johnson County Community College as presented. Motion #9 Streit/Gilpin Adopted. 1 abstention.

BON Scholarships

Of the scholarship applications received 12 PN and 19 RN were completed according to directions. J. Hiner and V. Streit will review these applications. and bring forward a new essay topic in March. Committee members were asked to bring a new essay topic to the March meeting.

LPN Refresher Course:

Patricia Truitt, RN submitted her "Self-Study Licensed Practical Nurse Refresher Course" for review and approval in Kansas. This self study refresher course has been approved or is accepted for 80 hours theory and 120 hours supervised clinical practice by several State Boards. It was consensus of the committee to table Patricia Truitt RN 'Self Study LPN Refresher course until the March meeting.

Petitions:

Exam test or retest and guidelines for petition to review and approval were presented to the committee. It was moved to approve guidelines for petition review and approval by the Education Specialist. Motion #10 Hiner/Gilpin Adopted. Educ Specialist will report petition decisions to the committee.

Adjourn:

1:22 P.M.

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Committee Chairperson

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