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**Kansas State Board of Nursing
Landon State Office Building Room 106
ARNP Committee Minutes
December 18, 2007**

Time: 1:30 – 3:00 PM

Committee Members: Jane Conroy, RN, MS NP-C, ARNP, Chair
Janice McCart, RN, MSM, Vice-Chair
Jeanne Walsh, RN, MSN
Terrah Stroda, CNM, MSN, ARNP
Tom McKibban, CRNA, MS
Brenda Moffitt, RN, CNS, ARNP
Amy Siple, MSN, ARNP-BC
Staff: Patty Brown, RN, MS, Educ. Spec.

Call to Order	Jane called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
Review of Onsite Packets	No on-site packets; handouts will be reviewed with items on agenda
Additions/Revisions to Agenda	CRNAs have concerns they would like to present; will be 1 st item of new business Updated list of National Certification accepted
Approval of minutes:	Motion 1: to approve the September 2007 minutes Siple/2 nd McCart
Certification listing	The list of approved National Certification exams was reviewed and information about new exams discussed; Committee will need to review new tests as they become available since some do not require advanced nursing education degrees; Motion 2 accept the amended certification list approved by KSBN McKibban/2 nd McCart
ARNP Manual	Updated ARNP Manual distributed; correction noted that Tom McKibban left off the 2008 Committee list
CRNA Issues	Sharon Niemann, President of KANA and Joseph Conroy presented to the Board (see attached);

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Mark Stech, CRNA Marysville shared examples of the impact on his practice and concerns about limiting service in rural areas

Steve Gunnells CRNA Hiawatha shared issues related to physicians being unwilling to accept responsibility of anesthesia practice (i.e. labor epidurals) and currently they have stopped doing epidurals; also indicated that the interpretation was that not only could CRNA's not direct RN intervention, nurses were told that no nurse could direct another nurse – even in a code situation

Sharon Niemann commented that the interpretation that ordering and prescription authority are the same is an error – an order for an EKG or post op nausea medication is not the same as prescribing

Jane shared that she was around when the statute changed in 1996 and her recollection of the discussion at the Senate committee hearings was not to alter, restrict or change the statutory practice – it was to allow the CRNAs to practice as has been described; they could do perioperative care and could order – the reason “order” was changed to “select” in the statute was because of the KMS concern that CRNAs would open independent pain management clinics.

Tom McKibban asked for clarification on how orders were written; M. Stech indicated that if the Dr. tells him to write, he writes it as a verbal order; if the RR nurse indicates the patient needs more pain medication he just tells her and assumes she writes it as per M.Stech.

Janice McCart asked if they had the question that went to Diane to elicit this response – Joe Conroy responded that there was an e-mail from Mary Kabriel to Diane in 2006 about ordering medications in RR and the no further communication until August of this year

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Tamara Hutchison shared an issue from Gove County Hospital where the RR record did not match the requirements in the Medical Staff by-laws and thought perhaps that issue may have started this issue

Deb Stern asked for guidance about what to tell their members; Jane indicated that the Board would need to discuss the issue

There was discussion about various options to handle this situation

Assistant Attorney General Jan Arndt stated that she was unsure the statute expressed what she was hearing but she could not give a legal opinion right now; she stated that if the board needs legal opinion, they would need to write to the AG and request a formal opinion and that that process would take at least 6 – 8 weeks.

Charles Moore, Director of Medical Facilities and Survey Support, Mary Kabriel's supervisor indicated he did not know why she had asked Diane the question; he also indicated that if the Board asked them to stop with this issue until a resolution was reached they would – that they were so short staffed that they were not likely to get out to the hospitals right now anyway.

Motion 3: Recommend acceptance of the DEA definition of prescription Siple; motion withdrawn

Unfinished Business:
Status of regulation

Revised draft dated December 18, 2007 distributed; Jane reviewed the suggested changes in the regulations following the meeting with the Board of Healing Arts 60-11-105 which had been referred to the ARNP Committee from the board was discussed; Motion 4 approve 60-11-105 as revised Moffitt/2nd Siple

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Radiology information

Jane reported that the BOHA indicated KDHE will revise the regulations as other revisions are made

Update on Board of Healing Arts/KSBN meeting

Jane reported that KSBHA envisions some form of Article 28 will be forthcoming but will be modified from the current version; there is no time line at present;

No additional discussion due to lack of time

New Business:

Announcements

None

Legislative Review: 60-13-111

Motion 5 to accept 60-13-111 as written
Walsh/2nd McCart

Agenda for March 2008 ARNP meeting

Status of regulations
Update on CRNA issue

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.