

- Grad. Status/NPA: Discussion of HB 2813 and the 120 day graduate status was brief. Hearing was last Thursday with KSBN, KONL, KNEP & KHA supporting the bill. No committee meetings are scheduled at this time.
- Office Procedures: If the 120 day graduate status is deleted from statute 65-1124, procedures in the office may need to be modified to accommodate the change. The licensing system has been reviewed to insure that there is no duplication of records. Following legislative session and if the bill passes new office procedures will be prepared and brought to the board for approval. Pearson Vue will make accommodations to schedule the additional time needed for the graduates to take the exam.
- Refresher Course Reg.: K.A.R. 60-2-109 Refresher courses for registered professional nurses and licensed practical nurses were reviewed. It was consensus of the committee that staff go to the Attorney Generals Office for clarification of the authority of the board in refresher course regulations.
- Pass Rates: A program summary of all first time candidates educated in Kansas was conducted. Statistics show that in 2004 and 2005 the passing standard increased. Kansas had 15 PN and 15 RN programs above the national passing average.
- Cloud County Community College, Hutchinson Community College and Kansas City Kansas Community College had 2 consecutive years with a pass rate below 75%. It was moved in keeping with the Regulation K.A.R. 60-2-102, to ask Nancy to write the three colleges Hutchinson, Cloud County, Kansas City Kansas Community College to notify them of their two years of passing scores of their graduates for NCLEX of being less than 75% and asking them to respond to KSBN on this issue. Motion #3 Sheverbush/Dale Adopted.
- It was moved to send certificates to those programs whose NCLEX pass rate is above the national average. Motion #4 Streit/Bonnel. Adopted.
- CGFNS: Two nurses have requested the committee waive the CGFNS process for licensure in Kansas. Both nurses, Estrella Malilong from the Philippines and Kathryn Meyer from Canada have been working as RNs in other states more than 20 years. It was moved that we waive the CGFNS process for Estrella Malilong and Kathryn Meyer. Motion #5 Bonnel/Chapman. Adopted.
- Scholarship Winners: The winners of this year's Arthur L. Davis Agency Scholarship are Megan Voss, Ft. Hays State University professional nurse category and Sarah Finks, Johnson County Community College practical nurse category.

The possibility of presenting scholarships to nurses employed by a nursing program and working towards a degree in nursing education was discussed. The criteria for scholarship recipients would need to be changed to broaden the eligibility criteria for the scholarships. Staff was asked to prepare criteria for this change.

Break: 9:42 a.m.

Open Session: 10:00 a.m.

Major Curriculum Change Requests

Pratt Community College Pratt Community College represented by Gail Withers RN, MSN, ARNP-CNS requested the Education Committee reconsider the restriction of 20 students for the maximum number of students in the PCC LPN to RN on-line program to start June 2006 approved by the Board at the December 2005 meeting. Discussion followed. It was moved to approve Pratt Community Colleges' request to increase the number of LPN to RN on-line program students from the 20 (per semester) allowed at the December 2005 meeting to a maximum of 40 students. Motion #6 Calhoun/Sheverbush Adopted.

Mary Blubaugh spoke to this issue. It is imperative that the committee follow up on the clinical efficiency issues discussed today. Mary Blubaugh was asked to review the history and bring information back to the June meeting that will assist the committee in making a decision on how to proceed.

Pratt Community College requests an on-line RN Refresher course be considered. The RN Refresher Course is being developed according to the guideline posted on the KSBN web site. Following successful completion of the course students will receive a certificate confirming completion of RN Refresher including 60 theory hours and 180 clinical hours. It was moved to approve the Review course proposed by Pratt Community College. Motion #7 Shevebush/Bonnel Adopted.

Colby Comm. College: Colby Community College represented by Kerri Schippers, MSN, ARNP requests to increase enrollment to 30 students on the PN level from current enrollment of 20 students. It was moved to accept Colby Community College's proposal to increase enrollment (PN level) from 20 to 30. Motion #8 Streit/Dale Adopted.

KCKATS: Kansas City Kansas Area Technical School represented by Susan White, RN, BSN, MS, and Brenda Walker Williams, program curriculum committee chairperson, request a change from an eleven month 4 level program to a 2 semester 18 weeks per semester program. KCKATS administration would like to

implement the new curriculum while the support is strong. It was moved to accept the major curriculum request of KCKS Area Technical School of changing their 11 month 4 level program for practical nurses to a 2 semester 18 weeks per semester program. Motion #9 Sheverbush/Bonnel Adopted.

MATC: Manhattan Area Technical College represented by Rebecca Claus, Director and Andrea Tabor 2nd year coordinator, requests the reallocation of 1 hour from early fall to fall semester. It was moved to accept Manhattan Technical College's proposal to reallocate one hour from early fall to fall semester (increase fall semester by one additional credit hour) with no change in content. Motion #10 Streit/Sheverbush Adopted.

Bethel College: Bethel College represented by Gregg Schroeder, MSN, ARNP requests an increase in the number of students admitted from 50 to 60 per year. This request is based on the increase in numbers of qualified applicants and addressing the nursing shortage. Mr. Schroeder identified that the low pass rates over the past 6 years were being addressed by increasing the clinical standards expected of students and more highly qualified students being accepted. It was moved to accept the major curriculum request from Bethel College to increase the number of students admitted from 50 to 60 per year. Motion #11 Bonnel/Sheverbush Adopted.

Program Survey Visits for Re-approval

Pratt CC: January 30, 31 and February 1, 2006 the Pratt Community College PN Program and Satellite visit was conducted by Wally Ballou, Judith Hiner and Nancy Mosbaek. It was moved that Pratt Community College submit terminal objectives/terminal outcomes by March 1, 2007; and continued approval of the practical nursing program for 5 years. Motion #12 Chapman/Sheverbush Adopted.

BCCC: February 7 – 9, 2006 the Barton County Community College PN and AD program visits were conducted by Tamara Hutchison and Nancy Mosbaek in conjunction with NLNAC. Karla Perrotta, MSN, RN, Interim Director and Linda Gobin, MSN, RN, new Director presented a plan for changes in the program to correct deficiencies. It was moved to accept the recommendation for Barton County Community College of a conditional approval during the successful development and execution of a plan to ameliorate the concerns found during the site visit. Full re-approval upon successful completion of the plan for the practical nursing program (5 years) and the associate degree program (10 years). Motion #13 Sheverbush/Calhoun Adopted. Barton County is to be placed on the agenda for the June meeting.

Program Survey Visit for Initial Approval

BMC: February 15, 2006 the Brown Mackie College – Lenexa PN & ADN program survey visit was conducted by Patty Brown and Nancy Mosbaek. It was moved to accept the Brown Mackie bi-level program with restoration of 64 students per year admission. Motion #14 Bonnel/Sheverbush Adopted.

CNE net: Summary of evaluations from the 2005 participants and 2006 post –completion employment surveys were reported to the Board by CNE net.

ETS: Information only.

Reg. Review: Review of Regulations was tabled and a conference call will be scheduled.

New Business

- June Agenda:**
1. Scholarships
 2. Bring back the clarification on refresher course regulation from Attorney General.
 3. Follow up on where we are with student number allotments for programs and Board’s statute authority.
 4. Follow up on Barton County Community College.
 5. Nancy to put together a list of clinical sites and schools.
 6. Addition of patient /client census of facilities to annual report.
 7. Survey visit

Adjourn: It was moved to adjourn. Motion #15 Bonnel/Dale Adopted. 11:58 a.m.

Karen Gilpin, Committee Chairperson

Date