

MINUTES

UTAH EDUCATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF NURSING

May 13, 2010

Room 474 – 4th Floor – 7:30 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 7:40 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 9:28 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Laura Poe

Secretary:

Shirlene Kimball

Conducting:

Diane Forster-Burke

Committee Members Present:

Diane Forster-Burke

Peggy Brown

Mary Williams

Pam Rice

Committee Members Excused:

Gigi Marshall

Guests:

Rebecca Lynch, Everest College

Rebecca Ford, Stevens Henager College

Gloria Ohmart, Steven Henager College

Gail McGuill, MATC

Lori Brannin, Provo College student

Rich Jacob, Provo College student

Darin Usher, Provo College student

Jan Jones Schenk, Western Governors University

Carolyn Lewis, Western Governors University

Margarita Olives, Provo College student

Tina Barres, Provo College student

Jennifer Zabriskie, Provo College student

Sara Ellerton, Provo College student

Chandra Eldredge, Provo College student

Carly Jex, Provo College student

Kelly Richards, Provo College student

David Ballard, Provo College student

Sundee Wilson, Provo College student

Maureen Olson, Provo College student

Kaityn Hile, Provo College student

Emma Evans, Provo College student

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

March 11, 2010 Education Committee minutes:

April 8, 2010 Education Committee minutes:

NEW BUSINESS:

Review NCLEX Quarterly Pass Rates:

Western Governor's University,
Jan Jones-Schenk and Carolyn Lewis:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A Motion was made to approve the minutes as written. All Committee members in favor.

A Motion was made to approve the minutes with corrections. All Committee members voted in favor of the Motion.

NCLEX quarterly pass rates were reviewed. Stevens Henager and Utah Career College pass rates are below the national average. Stevens Henager has submitted a remediation plan and is working to increase pass rates.

Ms. Jones-Schenk and Dr. Lewis met with the Committee to submit documentation for review next month. Dr. Lewis is the director of the Utah campus. Ms. Jones-Schenk had questions regarding the next step of the process. Ms. Poe stated they are scheduled to meet with the Committee in June and address any questions Committee members may have. Ms. Poe indicated she would like information regarding how the program is doing in California and Texas. Dr. Williams questioned if they meet the requirements of the Utah Nurse Practice Act and Rules? Yes, however, the one question will be the clinical coaches. Under the current rule the clinical coach would not be accepted, however, under the proposed rule for innovations in nursing education it may be approved. The rule would allow a program that has national nursing accreditation to apply for provisional approval as an innovation program. The process would be to give the presentation, answer Committee questions, and the Committee would report to the Board and a Motion would be made to grant, deny or table for additional information. Once the Board has voted, the recommendation moves forward to the Division. If the recommendation were to move forward, the rules would need to be put into effect. Ms. Poe indicated she would like to know the number of students they are planning to admit, the number of admissions per year, and date they would like to start the program. It would be helpful to know from the other states what their experience with the program has been. Ms. Poe

stated it is conceivable to get the approval and start by fall, but depends on the review. There would also need to be a site visit at their simulation lab.

Marlene Luna,
University of Southern Nevada, written report:

The report was reviewed and accepted.

Rebekah Lynch,
Everest College, written report:

Ms. Lynch questioned what happens if they do not have enough students to make a cohort to begin in July. Committee members stated the program can push those students to the next cohort. The report was accepted. An articulation agreement with the University of Phoenix was also reviewed.

Debra Edmunds,
Mountainland ATC:

Ms. Edmunds met with the Committee to present a Clinical proposal for Mountainland ATC. Gail McGuill was also present for the discussion. Ms. Edmunds stated Mountainland ATC students are no longer accepted at IHC acute care facilities. The reasons given were that IHC does not hire LPNs in an acute care setting; there was concern that the LPN may practice outside their scope of practice; and that Dr. Bacon from UVU had informed IHC that Mountainland students no longer have an RN pathway with UVU. Ms. Edmunds stated Mountainland students have been accepted into Weber State University and Salt Lake Community College RN programs. She reported the Mountainland LPN program is nearly identical to the associate level first year and the last several months have been frustrating for the program. Ms. Edmunds indicated they still have students at Timpanogos and Mountain View Hospitals.

Ms. Edmunds indicated the proposal is for the Committee to consider preceptor hours for second semester MATC PN students. She stated the program cannot put students into facilities that will only accept two students at a time because Mountainland cannot afford to send a faculty member with only two students. She reported they need to find additional OB and pediatric experiences and the proposal would be to request approval to allow for a clinical preceptor at OB/GYN clinics for 12-20 hours and simulation 4 hours; clinical preceptor hours at community children's health care facilities for 12 hours; and

clinical preceptor hours at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center acute rehab for 8 hours and 4 hours of simulation for the nursing care of the adult. Ms. Edmund stated the proposal has a faculty member with the students at Timpanogos from 5:00 p.m. to midnight. The faculty member is also with the student during simulation for 4 hours. There would be a preceptor for OBGYN. She stated 40 hours would be the highest number of hours of precepted experience. The majority of hours will still have faculty members. Ms. Edmund stated they would not have a newly licensed RN be a preceptor, and they would be prepared to educate the preceptors.

Ms. Edmunds also reported the program is moving location and will be located at Thanksgiving Point. Ms. Edmunds also indicated that IHC does not realize that the Mountainland students do not stop at the LPN level, but continue onto the RN level at another program. Dr. Williams stated Ms. Edmunds should discuss this with Nancy Nowak, at IHC.

Ms. Brown stated it would be helpful to have data on how well the Mountainland students do on the RN examination. Ms. Edmunds stated their first students will be taking the RN NCLEX examination in January. Ms. Brown indicated that UVU indicated the students from Mountainland were the students who were failing the RN examination. Ms. Edmunds stated that the Mountainland students have not yet taken the RN examination. Ms. Brown indicated it would be helpful to have the data.

Dr. Williams made a Motion to accept the plan pending implementation of the Innovation in nursing education rules. Ms. Brown seconded the Motion. All Committee members in favor.

Stevens Henager College,
Rebecca Ford, written report:

Rebecca Ford and Dr. Omart met with the Committee to discuss the changes at Stevens Henager College. Ms. Ford stated they have 31 pre-nursing students and 74 in the nursing program with 11 in the NCLEX review. Ms. Ford reported they will have cohorts of 20 students. She indicated they have a day cohort in August of 16 students and will have a night cohort begin in October. She reported the program is looking

at the number of students and have not accepted any students past October. When they do accept students, the next cohort would begin in January 2012. She reported they are looking at four month intervals, and will admit 3-4 times a year, with 20 students per cohort. Ms. Ford indicated they have tightened up the admissions and now require a 3.0 GPA, the TEAS test. She reported they have added a lab coordinator who has a BSN and who is helping with clinical site placements. She goes into the classroom, coordinates orientation, and is supervised by Ms. Ford. Committee members questioned who goes into the lab with the students. Ms. Ford reported it is the instructor, not the lab person. Ms. Ford reported the clinical sites are Davis Hospital, McKay Dee Hospital, Manner Care, Brigham City Hospital and pediatrics are at Primary Children's Medical Center. She reported a faculty member is with the student, and it is not observational, but hands on. Ms. Ford stated they have not had a cohort graduate with the changes than have been made in admissions and testing. Committee members requested a letter from her regarding the calculated date those students who have had all the changes made will graduate. Ms. Forster-Burke indicated the Committee is trying to get a handle on how many students were accepted, the attrition rate, and those who are waiting for transcripts to graduate. The report does not have to be lengthy, but to help the Committee look at students by cohort.

Review NCLEX Pass rates for Ameritech and Stevens Henager College:

Julie Aiken,
Ameritech College written report:

Kathleen Potter,
Fortis College:

NCLEX pass rates for the provisionally approved programs were reviewed.

The report was reviewed. Committee members stated they would like to review the pass rates by cohort. There are also questions regarding how many students opted out as LPNs. Committee members would like to have Ameritech provide by cohort the name of the student who began the program, the name of the student who quit the program, the names of the students waiting to obtain the transcripts in order to graduate. Committee members also requested to be included in the exit interview at the NLNAC site visit in October.

Ms. Potter indicated in her report that they admitted seventeen students that began March 1, 2010 and is the

first of four yearly cohorts. She reported four students did not stay with the program, two did not appear and two resigned the first week of class. They had seven students who were able to matriculate into the program, but two students dropped out. They now have sixteen students in the first cohort. Nursing classes for this cohort will begin the week of August 16, 2010. Ms. Potter reported that Fortis College is having trouble finding faculty. Committee members indicated they will need to monitor the College closely, and if there are any problems, Ms. Potter will be invited to meet with the Committee.

Update on Utah Valley University:

The discussion was tabled. Ms. Poe indicated Utah Valley University will assign an interim nursing chair until while they are searching for a new nursing director. Ms. Poe indicated the program will be invited to meet with the Board in July.

Discussion regarding Snow College:

Snow College had too many credit hours and needed to make a change to come into compliance with NLNAC accreditation standards. Curriculum changes were submitted for the Committee's review. Ms. Rice will review the changes and report to the Committee.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

June 17, 2010
Date Approved

(ss) Diane Forster-Burke
Diane Forster-Burke, Chair, Education Committee, Board of Nursing

June 17, 2010
Date Approved

(ss) Laura Poe
Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing