

**MINUTES**

**UTAH  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
BOARD OF NURSING**

**November 18, 2010**

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

**CONVENED:** 7:34 a.m.

**ADJOURNED:** 9:31 a.m.

**Bureau Manager:**

Laura Poe

**Secretary:**

Shirlene Kimball

**Conducting:**

Gigi Marshall

**Committee Members Present:**

Peggy Brown, 8:50

Mary Williams

Pam Rice

Gigi Marshall

**Guests:**

Susan Jero, Nightingale College

Phyllis Gertge, Nightingale College

Julie Aiken Ameritech College

Linda Petersen, Ameritech College

Becky Lynch, Everest college

Lee Duke, Eagle Gate College

Robyn Ellis, Eagle Gate College

Juanita Benioni, Nightingale College

Rebecca Ford, Stevens Henager College

Vicky Dewsnup, Stevens Henager College

Carolyn Lewis, Western Governors University

Jan Jones-Schenk, Western Governors University

Casey Hill, Utah Medical Association

**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

August 14, 2010 Minutes:

October 14, 2010 Minutes:

Nightingale College of Nursing,  
Susan Jero, Phyllis Gertge - Additional

**DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The August 14, 2010 minutes were approved as written.

The October 14, 2010 minutes were approved as written.

Ms. Poe indicated ABHES has approved the college.  
Ms. Rice indicated that upon review of the additional

information regarding the associate degree RN education program:

information, Ms. Jero still does not meet the criteria to serve as the director of the program. Ms. Rice stated she understands Ms. Jero has a plan to meet the criteria, but the criteria must be met before approval can be granted. Dr. Williams indicated the other concern is the financial situation. Ms. Poe indicated the rules will be changed to meet the federal requirements and it is looking like that will be 70/30. The program applied under the current law, but if it is changed, they will need to address it at the time of the rule change. Ms. Jero stated she has discussed the 70/30 split with the school officials and they feel there will be no problems meeting a higher standard.

Ms. Rice indicated there is a disconnect regarding the responsibilities for faculty and students and who is ultimately in charge. Ms. Jero addressed the concern regarding the lack of clarity and the responsibility between dean and director. Ms. Poe stated the narrative job description for the dean indicates the dean is responsible for assisting the program director. Ms. Poe stated this should be the opposite, the nursing program director assists the dean. The development of faculty also falls under the dean's responsibilities. Committee members indicated Ms. Jero meets the qualification of the director but not the Dean. Ms. Gertge meets the qualifications of the Dean. Ms. Gertge stated she is the Dean until Ms. Jero can meet the criteria established in rules.

Ms. Jero reported the build out is going well. They are moving along quickly and the simulation lab should be finished soon. Ms. Jero stated they should be ready for a site visit on December 16, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. The address is 4155 Harrison Blvd, Ogden.

Dr. Beneoni stated they have received ABHES approval. They will need a letter from the Board regarding provisional approval once the provisional approval has been granted. Committee members indicated once the clarification is received regarding the job description, a letter could be sent indicating they are moving forward in the process of being approved. The job description must be received and the site visit results before provisional approval can be granted. Ms. Poe indicated if the job descriptions are

received and approved, a formal Motion could be made next month to grant provisional approval pending the results of the site visit. Ms. Jero questioned when they could start advertising for students. Ms. Poe indicated that at the conclusion of the site visit, if it is successful, advertising for students could begin. Ms. Jero stated they would like to admit 40 students three times a year. Ms. Jero was reminded that the students must sign a disclaimer regarding credits.

Review NCLEX pass rates for provisionally approved programs:

Reviewed.

Review NCLEX pass rates for all programs:

Committee members expressed concern with the NCLEX pass rates for CEU, Broadview University (Utah Career College) and SLCC. Committee members also indicated that Dixie College is still within the 5%, however, there is concern because the pass rates continue to drop.

Committee members indicated Kimball Johnson, CEU should be invited to meet with the Board. Also invite Salt Lake Community College (request they submit an evaluation based on campus and what is going on in each campus) and Broadview University.

Review of Written Reports from:  
Ameritech College  
Julie Aiken:

Ms. Marshall reported the exit interview with NLNAC went well. NLNAC had a few small recommendations and will review the progress of the program in January and in March. Once they have received NLNAC accreditation and as long as the NCLEX pass rates do not drop, they will be moved to full approval. The written report was accepted.

Eagle Gate College,  
Lee Duke:

Dr. Duke reviewed the written report with Committee members. She stated Mary DeGroff is the interim administrator at Eagle Gate and the new director at Provo College will be in place in December. She reported the students have indicated they enjoy doing clinicals in long term care facilities. The report was accepted.

Everest College,  
Rebekah Lynch:

Ms. Lynch indicated she will be moving back to Colorado and will be leaving the position of nursing

program director. Everest College posted her position; however, she questioned that if the position is not filled by the time she leaves, if she could continue part time during the transition period. She indicated the program does not have any nursing students or faculty yet, the students are still currently in prerequisite courses. Students will not enter the nursing course until October 2011. Committee members stated there is nothing specific in rule and they can have an interim director. Dr. Williams expressed concern regarding the students in the prerequisite courses and whether or not they have any support. Ms. Lynch stated the students are aware that she is moving back to Colorado, and she would be available 50% of the time. Committee members indicated this would be acceptable, but a full time director will have to be in place when the students begin the nursing coursework.

Fortis College,  
Glenda Christiaens:

Report reviewed and accepted.

Stevens Henager College,  
Rebecca Ford:

Ms. Ford met with the Committee to request that the program be moved from provisional approval to full approval. Ms. Ford indicated she believes the program is doing well and the NCLEX pass rates have increased. They have made minor changes to the curriculum and have good faculty members. Vicky Dewsnup indicated their applicant pool has increased since they change the admission criteria to a 2.5 GPA instead of a 3.0. Dr. Williams cautioned them in lowering the admissions criteria. Ms. Poe indicated the program meets the criteria established in Rule, they have NLNAC accreditation and the NCLEX pass rates have increased. Dr. Williams made a Motion to move the program from provisional status to full approval status. Ms. Rice seconded the Motion. All Committee members in favor.

University of Southern Nevada,  
Marlene Luna:

Report reviewed and accepted.

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

Ms. Jones-Schenk and Dr. Lewis met with the Committee to explain Western Governors Innovations to nursing education pilot program proposal. WGU will use the clinical coach for clinical experience. The clinical instructors are available but not present 24/7

while students are in the clinical setting. The clinical coach/preceptor is an employee of the facility. The clinical instructor is an employee of WGU. The clinical instructor is Master's prepared, the clinical coach is BSN prepared. The clinical coach has to be in the clinical setting more than one year, undergo online training, and go through an in-person orientation. Ms. Jones-Schenk stated this has worked very well in Texas and California. If there are any issues, Dr. Lewis, who is the nursing director, would become involved. Dr. Rice stated she is still uncomfortable with the coaches not having a master's degree.

Ms. Jones-Schenk stated there are set expectations, interactions with students, evaluations submitted and there is extensive documentation. The clinical coaches will fill in a daily observation form.

Dr. Williams made a Motion to approve the innovation proposal. Ms. Rice seconded the Motion. Ms. Brown was not part of the discussion and abstained from voting. All other Committee members in favor. Ms. Poe indicated the program will need to provide monthly written updates. Ms. Jones-Schenk stated they will accept 10 students, three times a year with a maximum of 30 students per year.

Follow-up on Broadview University:

Broadview University forwarded a copy of the information they sent to NLNAC regarding the name change from Utah Career College. Ms. Poe stated the two reasons for the name change is that they want to offer a masters degree (not in the nursing field) and that they will open a campus in Idaho. Committee members indicated another site visit must be conducted before moving to their new campus. Ms. Poe stated she will check to see if they will be ready for the site visit December 16, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. All Committee members indicated they would be available.

Report on site visit to University of Utah College of Nursing DNP program:

Committee member reported on the site visit to the University of Utah College of Nursing DNP program. Committee members reported they have a great simulation lab and adequate resources for students.

*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.*

February 10, 2011 (ss) Gigi Marshall  
Date Approved Gigi Marshall, Co-Chair, Education Committee, Board of  
Nursing

February 10, 2011 (ss) Noel Taxin  
Date Approved Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &  
Professional Licensing