

MINUTES

UTAH EDUCATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF NURSING March 1, 2012

Room 464 – 4th Floor –8:30 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 8:25 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 10:59 a.m.

Bureau Manager:
Secretary:

Debra Hobbins
Shirlene Kimball

Conducting:

Gigi Marshall, Co-Chair

Committee Members Present:

Peggy Brown
Gigi Marshall
Debra Mills

Committee Members Excused:

Sheryl Steadman

Guests:

Carma Miller, Western Governors University
T.J. Carter, MATC
Tara Peters, MATC
Jan Jones-Schenk, Western Governors University
Faye Uppman, Broadview University
Delos Jones, Broadview University
Malinda Daniel, Broadview University
Raymond T. Coward, Utah State University

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

January 5, 2011 and February 2, 2012 Minutes:

The January 5, 2011 minutes need to be revisited after listening to the recording of the meeting. The February 2, 2012 minutes were tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

Western Governors University,
Carma Miller, Director of Nursing, Utah
Jan Jones-Schenk, Chief Nursing Officer:

Ms. Jan Jones-Schenk reported the start date for Western Governors University will be April 1, 2012. Clinicals will not start until November 2012. Ms. Jones-Schenk stated the program will follow the model as previously presented. She reported 36 applications were received between December 2011 and January 2012 and fifteen applicants met all

admission criteria. Ms. Jones-Schenk reported that they are anticipating an initial cohort of 10 students. Clinical site agreements were renewed with Mountain West Medical Center; Beaver Valley Hospital; Milford Valley Memorial Hospital and Central Valley Medical Center.

Ms. Jones-Schenk reported they completed a tour of Southern Utah and residents are excited that they will have the opportunity to enter the program. Ms. Jones-Schenk stated Western Governors will recruit clinical coaches two months prior to beginning the clinicals. Ms. Miller stated that as they hire clinical coaches, vitas will be submitted to the Committee. Ms. Jones-Schenk stated faculty members are already in place.

Committee members requested Western Governors University provide a written report each month on the progress of the program.

Broadview University,
Faye Uppman, Network Dean of Nursing
Delos Jones
Malinda Daniel:

Ms. Uppman met with the Committee to provide a follow up from last months meeting. As of this date, the program has 88 students with 13 expected to graduate March 2012. Ms. Uppman reported faculty of the program and Broadview University leadership and owners are committed to providing students with a quality educational program leading to successful completion and preparation for the licensure exam. Ms. Uppman stated they are meeting student needs, and have spent the last year recruiting highly qualified faculty. Admission standards have been increased. Ms. Uppman indicated they have submitted revision to ACICS and is in the process of substantive change submission to NLNAC.

Broadview University submitted a proposal to begin recruitment and admission processes June 2012 with admission into the program in October 2012 based on two successive successful quarter outcomes. Their fourth quarter NCLEX-RN pass rate was 83.3%, which is above the national average of 82.8%. This plan would allow for the program to demonstrate positive first and second 2012 quarter results in addition to the fourth quarter 2011 results. By October of 2012 there would be 42 active continuing students, admitting at that time would support

retention of faculty and clinical sites. Program recruitment and admission processes would begin August 2012 with admission to the program in January 2013 based on three successive successful quarter outcomes. If accepted, and the program continues to meet NCLEX-RN pass rate per rule, admissions would continue biannually, in the winter and early fall quarters of the academic year.

Ms. Uppman reported they have gone through the second round of interviews for a nursing program director and should have someone in place by the deadline.

Committee members indicated no decision would be made until May after the first quarter 2012 NCLEX-RN results are received. Ms. Brown made a Motion to accept the proposal. Ms. Mills seconded the Motion. All Committee members voted in favor of the Motion.

Review provisionally approved program
NCLEX pass rates:

The provisionally approved programs NCLEX results were reviewed.

Mountainland Applied Technology College,
T.J. Carter, Nursing Program Director:

Ms. Carter provided the information requested in regards to the Innovation pilot program. Ms. Carter indicated there are two skills checklists, one for adult med/surg and the other for OB. The skills checklists identify what the student is allowed to perform in their PN roles. Last month Committee members questioned what qualifications are used for the preceptors. Ms. Carter reported there are no formal job descriptions for preceptors. Some individuals may have completed a clinical coach program which teaches skills for precepting.

Ms. Carter also provided a skills proficiency list. Ms. Marshall stated it does not have any “may nots”. Ms. Marshall requested a document that includes what can be done and what can not be done. The concern is that RNs don’t understand what an LPN can and cannot do within their scope of practice. Ms. Carter indicated they are looking at using a different rehab center that uses and hires LPNs. She stated this would be a better learning environment for the LPN role. Ms. Carter also indicated she would like to use home health and hospice in the innovation.

Ms. Carter stated she will provide a document with specific can and can not's. Dr. Hobbins also indicated the Committee will be looking at cohort graduation dates for all programs. Ms. Carter indicated she will provide this information.

Dr. Ray Coward,
Utah State University:

Dr. Ray Coward, Executive Vice President and Provost of Utah State University met with the Committee to share the plans for the nursing programs that have been combined in association with Utah State University. Dr. Coward indicated two years ago, the College of Eastern Utah was brought under the Utah State University program. Currently the USU Eastern program includes the San Juan Campus, the Price Campus and the Vernal Applied Technology Center. There are also separate Tooele, Uintah Basin and Moab Campuses. Dr. Coward indicated that when USU merged with CEU, USU did not have a nursing program. Before this time, USU provided general education courses and Weber State University provided clinicals. At that time, the pre-nursing program was temporarily part of the biology program. Dr. Coward indicated that Sharon K. Dingman, has been hired as the Associate Vice Provost for Nursing Programs. Dr. Dingman will oversee, but not direct, the nursing education programs. Dr. Dingman does have the three years teaching experience. Dr. Coward indicated USU has requested money from the Legislature to expand its program. Currently, there are 10 nurse faculty slots. USU will provide the structure, CEU will provide the clinicals.

Review Written Reports from Provisionally
approved Programs:

Eagle Gate College: Committee members reported the NLNAC exit interview went well. No new full time faculty members have been hired. However, three new adjunct faculty members have been hired to work with students in clinical placements. Jennifer Walker, MSN has the appropriate credentials and meets the faculty requirement of rule. However, Mollie Nordgren, BSN who will complete her MSN in May of 2012 and Carolyn Hammer, BSN who will be completing her MSN in May 2012 do not meet the requirement of rule in R156-31b-603(7).

Dr. Jodi Groot,

Dr. Jodi Groot requested a meeting with the

Program Director
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Program, University of Utah College of
Nursing:

Committee to discuss the licensing of psychiatric APRNs. The Rule currently requires 3000 hours of post graduate supervision. Before she left, Ms. Poe was working on making changes to the Statute to allow for DNPs to have a different hourly requirement. The University of Utah and Intermountain Medical Center will not allow psych APRNs to have privileges if they have an intern license. Dr. Groot suggested a change be made so that the DNP graduate would not be required to obtain an intern license or complete additional hours; or issue the license and then require the additional hours, something that would give full licensure without labeling new graduates as interns. Mr. Walker joined the meeting and indicated that the psych nurse is the only nurse with this restriction. All other APRNs can graduate and practice. Mr. Walker stated the purpose of H.B. 496, Mental Health Practice Act Revision, sponsored by Rep. Ray was to provide the MFT and Professional Counselor the same model as the Clinical Social Worker. Mr. Walker stated the APRN Psychiatric Nurse practitioner must continue to follow current Statute. The Statute would need to be modified during the next Legislative session.

Meeting date clarification:

The meeting dates for the May meeting will be May 3, 2012 and the June meeting June 7, 2012.

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.

April 5, 2012
Date Approved

(ss) Gigi Marshall
Gigi Marshall, Co-Chair, Education Committee, Board of
Nursing

April 5, 2012
Date Approved

(ss) Debra Hobbins
Debra Hobbins, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational
& Professional Licensing