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NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF NURSING
MINUTES -- DRAFT
March 17, 2016
Philbrook Building
Conference Room B119

Board Members: : Chairwoman Nora Fortin (NF), Kathleen Kidder (KK), Tracey Collins (TC), Sherrie Palmieri (SP), Roberta Petrin (RP), Beth Fersch (BF) and Cynthia Smith (CS), and Kevin Walsh (KW)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman N. Fortin at 8:54 AM .

Board Members Present: Chairwoman Nora Fortin (NF), Kathleen Kidder (KK), Tracey Collins (TC), Sherrie Palmieri (SP), Roberta Petrin (RP), Beth Fersch (BF) from 0930 to end of meeting and Cynthia Smith (CS), and Kevin Walsh (KW)

Board Member Absent: Nancy Wiggin (NW) and Ann Finn-Waddell (AFW)

Board Staff Present (for all or part of the meeting): Denise Nies (DN), Anita Pavlidis (AP), Carol Brody (CB).

Board Staff Absent: Sarah Howlett (SH)

Non Public Sessions:

Pursuant to RSA 92-A:3 II,

Tracey Collins moved, second by Roberta Petrin, to enter non-public session at 11:50 a.m. for discussion. Board members voted unanimously. At 12:51 pm. Sherrie Palmieri moved, second by Kitty Kidder, to re-enter public session.

Cynthia Smith moved, second by Roberta Petrin, to enter non public session at 1:07 pm for discussion. At 1:45 pm, Tracey Collins moved, second by Cynthia Smith to re-enter public session. Minutes of non-public session shall be sealed. .

1.1 **Open Forum:** No questions or comments presented for board consideration.

1.2 **Agenda**

Tracey Collins moved, second by Kitty Kidder to pull Consent Agenda item 9.2.5 and approve all other Consent Agenda items as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

1.3 **Appearances**

See under 9.3

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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 Tracey Collins moved, second by Kevin Walsh, to accept the minutes of the February 19, 2016 meeting, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. REPORT OF CHAIR/MEMBERS

3.1 None

4. REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/STAFF

4.1 3 members attending the training.

4.2 Discussion was conducted regarding current agenda and board meeting format. Suggestions were made to keep current agenda format with separate public and non-public agendas. Board meeting format suggestion involves identifying set block of time for public session and set block of time for non- public session.

4.3 FTP site discussion: Board discussed possible utilization of the FTP site for board packet access in lieu of paper board packets. Decision tabled at this time.

4.4 Nur 501.06 Reconsideration- Opioid Prescribing: Initial Proposal for APRN Opioid Prescribing reviewed and approved for submission to the Office of Legislative Services (OLS) for rules review.

4.5 Conditional Approval Response Nur 402, 404: Board reviewed and approved rules Nur 402 and Nur 404 that had conditional approval response approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (JCLAR). Rules will be brought forward as Adopted text for approval by the board on April 21, 2016.

4.6 Adopted Text for Nur 501.05: Board reviewed and approved adopted text for Nur 501.05 that was approved by the JLCAR. Board will review final document and send certification letter to OLS for inclusion of rule on state website.

5. ATTORNEY GENERAL –

None

6. REPORT OF INVESTIGATOR/PROSECUTOR

Open Files

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7. ADJUDICATION

Adjudicative (Investigator/ Prosecutor)

7.1 Hearings

NAME: Nikole Coe, LNA
Hearing held for Nikole Coe, LNA, pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act RSA 326-B and the Administrative Rules, Chapter 100-800, proceeded at 9:42 am. with N. Fortin presiding.

Board members present: Nora Fortin (NF), Roberta Petrin (RP), Tracey Collins (TC), Sherrie Palmieri (SP), Kitty Kidder (KK), Nora Fortin (NF), Kevin Walsh (KW), Cynthia Smith (CS).

Board members absent: Beth Fersch (BF), Nancy Wiggin (NW) and Ann Finn-Waddell(AFW)

Board staff present: Sarah Howlett (SH), and Hearing Counsel for the Board of Nursing, L. O’Connor (LO), Denise Nies (DN).

Hearing concluded at 10:03 am.

NAME: Eleanor Roberts, LNA

Hearing held for Eleanor Roberts, LNA, pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act RSA 326-B and the Administrative Rules, Chapter 100-800, proceeded at 10:37 am. with N. Fortin presiding.

Board members present: Nora Fortin (NF), Roberta Petrin (RP), Tracey Collins (TC), Sherrie Palmieri (SP), Kitty Kidder (KK), Nora Fortin (NF), Kevin Walsh (KW), Cynthia Smith (CS) and Beth Fersch.

Board members absent: Nancy Wiggin (NW) and Ann Finn-Waddell(AFW)

Board staff present: Sarah Howlett (SH), and Hearing Counsel for the Board of Nursing, L. O’Connor (LO), Denise Nies (DN).

Hearing concluded at: 11:11 am .

7.3.1 Robin Nichols, APRN Motion for Reconsideration: board voted unanimously to reject motion and to request licensee appear before the board. 1st TC/ 2nd SP.

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9. CLINICAL PRACTICE

9.3 Public Appearances

9.3.1 Keene State College: T. Connelly, RN , PhD appeared before the board to discuss corrective action plan to address substandard NCLEX scores. Clarified that the condition of limiting enrollment to 32 was the Board imposing the same condition KSC had said it would impose on itself – that it would limit the number of students admitted into the junior year to 32 students

Board discussion clarified that the Board’s condition regarding seeking approval for future students was with regard to students being admitted into the junior year of the nursing program. This is because -the program as designed by KSC -the first two years of the program are only a conditional admission and limited to prerequisite courses that could be used toward another major or transferred to another school.

With regard to the request for admission of future students – the approval for admission to the freshman or sophomore class was not a requirement before the board because of the program design. The request to admit students into the junior year was approved. Board provided these recommendations to be put in a response letter. -

9.3.2 St. Joseph School of Nursing: Vicky Fieler, RN, PhD appeared before the board to discuss NLCEX pass rate with the board. She presented revisions to curriculum designed to address deficits for board review and discussion.

9.3.3 Harmony Health Care: Eileen Duggan, RN and John Dike, RN appeared before the board to discuss low NCLEX scores and proposed corrective plan for board to review and discuss.

10. EDUCATION

10.1 NCLEX-PN Request reviewed and denied based on requirements of revised rules for comparable education. Motion to deny request by Beth Fersch (BF) and second by Kitty Kidder (KK). Vote unanimous

10.2 Huggins Hospital IV Therapy Course: Board voted unanimously to grant full approval for 3 years. Motion made by Kitty Kidder (KK) and Tracey Collins (TC).

10.3. Site Visit Reports

10.3.1 River Valley Community College: Program approval with unanimous vote granted for 5 year initial accreditation period contingent on final accreditation approval. Motion by (KK) and second (TC).

10.3.2 New Hampshire Technical Institute (NHTI): Program approval with unanimous vote granted for 8 year continued accreditation period. Motion by (KK) and second (SP).

185 10.4 Plymouth State University: Corrective plan to address substandard NCLEX scores
186 presented to board for review and discussion. -The board is concerned about students it would
187 have to teach out should the program not continue. Teach out concerns are related to students
188 already in the nursing courses, not students in prerequisite courses because those could be used
189 in another major or transferred to another school
190 -Because PSU freshman, as the program is currently designed, do not take nursing courses and
191 only take prerequisite courses, the Board is willing to allow them to admit students into the
192 freshman year for such prerequisites. Board provided these clarifications for response to PSU
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194 10.5 Article regarding Marijuana distributed to board for informational purposes.
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196 10.6 Nur 600 Rules Revision discussion with board to clarify when rules are enacted. Board all
197 agreed with Office of Legislative Services stance that rules, once adopted, are in effect.
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199 10.7 Keene State College Corrective Action Plan reviewed and discussed. See 9.3.1
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201 10.8 Corrective Action Plan:
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203 --Harmony Health Care Institute was reviewed and discussed. Recommendations for
204 correspondence to the program director was provided. See 9.3.3.
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206 --St. Joseph's School of Nursing was reviewed and discussed. Recommendations for
207 correspondence to the program director was provided. See 9.3.2
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210 11. PRACTICE INQUIRIES and PRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

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212 11.1 Liaison Committee (KK) – Kitty Kidder reported that the APRN committee
213 reviewed the proposed initial proposal for opioid prescribing and provided a
214 recommendation to the board to adopt the draft version for submission.
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216 11.2 P&E Committee (TC) – Reported on recommendations from the committee
217 regarding the following questions:
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219 Is it within scope of LPN/RN to do a skin scraping for scabies? Yes for RN
220 practice with appropriate training and competency.
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222 Inquiry for the administration of Ketamine Infusion for Sedation Protocol that
223 would require competent nursing staff in the Critical Care Unit to monitor and
224 titrate based on set criteria Ketamine Infusions. Currently we are using
225 Ketamine Drips to manage chronic pain patients post-surgical to decrease the
226 opioid consumption and increase risk for adverse events at set rates on Infusion
227 Pumps. Our Critical Care Intensivists are looking for utilization of this drip for
228 sedation purposes for patients that are refractory to alternative agents, or due to
229 increase dosages are having adverse events and need an adjunctive medication.

230 Yes, it is within the scope of practice on an RN to monitor and titrate Ketamine
231 infusions in critical care settings for those clients who have a secured airway.

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233 Lidocaine, sodium bicarb, and 0.9% NaCL solution, intradermal and/or
234 subcutaneously for minor excision procedures, in an office setting. Is this within
235 the scope of an RN or CRNA? Committee has already addressed this and it is
236 within the scope of the RN with education and competency.

237 It is recommended that the existing answer be expanded to include Lidocaine,
238 sodium bicarb, and 0.9% NaCL. It is within scope of CRNA.

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240 Nurse Driven Protocol: P&E Committee unanimously agree that the BON
241 should endorse nurse driven protocols, which are evidenced based, and have
242 been developed and reviewed by the medical staff, nursing leadership, and any
243 other disciplines affected by the protocol, and are in accordance with any state or
244 federal laws and regulations (such as state boards of nursing, pharmacy,
245 medicine.) Committee to research and prepare to discuss definition of Nurse
246 Driven Protocol for next meeting.

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250 12. LEGISLATION

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255 13. CORRESPONDENCE/ARTICLES/FYIs

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258 14. ADJOURNMENT

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260 The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.
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