

Texas Statewide Health Coordinating Council
Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies Advisory Committee

Minutes of Teleconference Meeting Held February 26, 2009
4:30 pm – 5:20 pm

Texas Department of State Health Services
Center for Health Statistics
1100 W. 49th Street
Austin, Texas 78756
Room M-679

Members Attending

Richard Beard, RN, BS, CMSRN, Co-Chair
Alexia Green, PhD, RN, FAAN, Co-Chair
Donna Carlin, MSN, RN
Jennifer Cook, PhD, MBA, RN
Marla K. Cottenoir, MSN, RN
M'Lissa Edwards, LVN
Kathryn Griffin MSN, RN, NEA-BC
Clair Jordan, MSN, RN
Bob McPherson, MA
Pearl Merritt, Ed.D, MSN, MS, RN
Jackolyn Morgan, MSN, RN
Carol Reineck, PhD, RN, FAAN, CCRN, NEA-BC
Lisa Taylor, PhD, RN, CNS, FNP

Members Absent

Joyce Batcheller, RN, MSN, NEA-BC, Excused
Rachel Hammon, RN, Excused
Robin Hayes, RN, Excused
Susan McBride, PhD, RN Excused
Elizabeth Poster, PhD, RN Excused
Elizabeth Sjoberg, JD, RN, Excused
Kathy Thomas, MN, RN Excused

Staff Present

Aileen Kishi, PhD, RN, Program Director, TCNWS
Arlette Ponder, MAHS, Program Specialist, TCNWS
Suzanne Pickens, Program Specialist, TCNWS
Pamela L. Wiebusch, Research & Statistics Tech, TCNWS

Public Present

Monica Lawson, HillCo Partners

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | <p>Mr. Beard called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. He welcomed the committee, staff and public on the call, all of whom introduced themselves.</p> |
| 2. Establish Quorum and Approval of Excused Absences | <p>A motion was made by Dr. Jennifer Cook and seconded by Dr. Carol Reineck to approve requests for excused absences from Ms. Joyce Batcheller, Ms. Rachel Hammon, Ms. Robin Hayes, Dr. Susan McBride, Dr. Elizabeth Poster, Ms. Elizabeth Sjoberg, and Ms. Kathy Thomas. The motion carried.</p> <p>A quorum of members was present; hence the committee was able to take action at this meeting.</p> |
| 3. Review of February 26, 2009 Agenda | <p>The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made. The meeting moved forward with the agenda as is.</p> |
| 4. Approval of Minutes for January 21, 2009 Meeting | <p>Ms. Donna Carlin identified a correction that needed to be made to the January 2009 meeting minutes. Page 5, Item 14, 8th line down, “Focus on Methods to Improve Patient Instruction” needs to be changed to “Focus on Methods to Improve Patient Safety.”</p> <p>A motion was made by Mr. Bob McPherson and seconded by Ms. Kathryn Griffin to adopt the minutes with corrections for the January 21, 2009 meeting. The motion carried.</p> |
| 5. Discussion and Approval of the 2008 RN Nursing Education Information Survey (NEPIS) Reports | <p>Ms. Suzanne Pickens presented two fact sheets: 2008 Update on Professional Nursing Program Characteristics and 2008 Update on Faculty Demographics in Professional Nursing Programs.</p> <p>Ms. Donna Carlin suggested identifying proprietary institutions in the section that describes the types of initial licensure programs on the Professional Nursing Program Characteristics fact sheet.</p> <p>There was discussion among members on proprietary institutions and what the term means.</p> <p>Ms. Donna Carlin also pointed out that numbers in Table 2 and Table 3 might include prerequisite courses (6-semester ADN program and 5 semester LVN to RN Track in ADN program, respectively). Members requested that the numbers in Tables 2 and 3 be verified and adjusted accordingly.</p> <p>A motion was made by Ms. Marla Cottenoir and seconded by Mr. Richard Beard to approve the 2008 Update on Professional Nursing Program Characteristics with the suggested corrections. The motion carried.</p> <p>Committee members asked that a median instead of an average be used on the faculty positions in professional nursing programs on the 2008 Update on Faculty Demographics in Professional Nursing Programs.</p> <p>A motion was made by Dr. Carol Reineck and seconded by Mr. Bob McPherson to approve the 2008 Update on Faculty Demographics in Professional Nursing Programs with suggested corrections. The motion carried.</p> |

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| 6. Progress Report on 2008 VN Nursing Educational Programs' Information Survey (NEPIS) Reports | Ms. Arlette Ponder gave an update on the status of the 2008 VN-NEPIS. She informed the committee that the VN NEPIS data was in final stages of verification and that fact sheets would be produced soon. |
| 7. Future Meeting Dates for TCNWS Advisory Committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teleconference meeting to be scheduled for April 2009 • July 15, 2009 • September 9, 2009 |
| 8. Public Comment | There was no public comment. |
| 9. Adjourn | Dr. Alexia Green adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm. |