

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, May 8, 2018**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Advisory Committee was called to order by Sheryl Giordano, APRN-C, at 3:02 p.m. via videoconference at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and the Board of Nursing, 4220 South Maryland Pkwy, #B300, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89119.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Cheryl A. Maes, PhD, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Patricia Strobehn, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Mary Betita, MD, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Teresa Praus, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Maileen Ulep-Reed, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Cheryl Broussard, DNP, MSN, FNP-BC  
Paul Kapsar Jr, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Pamela Burgio, MSN, RN, APRN, PNP  
Aaron Bellow Jr., PhD, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Jeanine Packham, DNP, ACNP-BC, CCRN-CMC, PHN

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Alona Dalusung-Angosta, PhD, APRN, FNP, APRN-C

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Sheryl Giordano, APRN-C, APRN Consultant, Chair  
Susan VanBeuge, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CNE, FAANP, Board Liaison  
Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director  
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Kimberley Arguello, General Counsel  
Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education  
Patty Towler, Licensure/Certification Coordinator  
Sharon Vincello, Executive Assistant  
Cindy Pitlock, NAPNA President  
Chelsea Capurro, Griffin Company, NAPNA Lobbyist  
Lea Cartwright, NV Psychiatric Association  
Lori O'Toole, WRAPNN President  
Paige Barnes, NHA

**CALL TO ORDER:** S. Giordano called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. and read aloud the APRN Advisory Committee's Mission

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Aaron Bellow provided comment on University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV's) Emergency Nurse Practitioner Program, and that competency-based education models for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) should be put on next agenda.

C. Pitlock commented Happy Nurses Week. Congratulations to all and thanks to all. Commented as to APRN scope of practice regarding SB227; no change to scope of practice identified; and her position is that this includes all forms within scope of practice. APRNs are interpreting the law differently than the board of nursing as related to section number two. Dr. Pitlock and NAPNA questioning the role of the Board as to their interpretation of SB227. This is a step backwards in full autonomy. Wants Committee opinion on section 2 of SB227.

S. Giordano commented that this will be discussed in our new business section today.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

It was moved and seconded that the draft minutes for the meeting on February 5, 2018, be approved written. Motion made by Cheryl Broussard, seconded by Mary Betitia. MOTION CARRIED.

**B. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Board Meeting follow-up: C. Dinauer provided follow-up for the March 2018 Board Meeting regarding the APRN continuing education requirement. K. Arguello provided an update on additional CEs as related to opioid prescribing versus dispensing. The draft language submitted back from the Legislative Council Bureau (LCB) is so very different. Another workshop is necessary to work on language with LCB. C. Dinauer also provided an Executive Director update regarding ORBS in June led by K. Arguello. C. Dinauer provided an update on Sunset Committee. They voted to keep NSBN in existence.
2. Legislative Update:
  - a. AB474 implementation: F. Olmstead delivered the update on AB474, medical board still working on regulations. NSBN to enforce bill as written and pass CE regulations so APRNs know what they need to do. There will probably be a clean-up bill to AB474. Go to NSBN's website for information to comply with the law.
  - b. Governor's quarterly update on opioid task force: F. Olmstead provided the committee with an update on opioid task force and recent meeting.

**C. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Review and discussion of the current Nevada State Board of Nursing Scope of Practice Tree. S. Giordano presented on the scope of practice tree and presenting this to the committee for discussion. C. Dinauer added that this scope of practice tree is used all the time. It was last revised August 6, 2002. A suggestion was made by the committee for a subcommittee to look at it closer. Information was provided from the Board website on the current

“Determining Your Scope of Practice” document and information from the American Nurses Association that the National Council of State Boards of Nursing supports. S. Giordano asked if the committee would like to move this to an action item. C. Dinauer provided example of what we do with other decision trees. Agreement among members that we should update it. S. Giordano extended an invitation for volunteers to form a subcommittee to update it. S. Giordano wrote down names of volunteers and will ensure they will exchange emails to work on this. K. Arguello pointed out a subcommittee would still have to comply with open meeting laws.

2. Review and discussion of Scope of Practice Trends. S. Giordano gave overview of recent trends from February, questions from APRNs.
3. Review and discussion of APRN licensure issues and update. P. Towler provided update on temporary APRNs license; APRN endorsement applications; and APRNs applying that have not worked number of hours required 2 years or 2000 hours.
4. Review and discussion of SB227 section 2. SB227 Section 2. J. Packham provided update about concerns about global signatures, signatures on forms, DMV issues – driving ability. C. Capurro provided comment regarding physician or APRN. F. Olmstead replied that NSBN is not stopping you from signing, the DMV is. C. Pitlock commented on NSBN staff who give presentations state that unless its line item detailed, APRNs cannot do it, creates confusion and disagrees on behalf of NAPNA. K. Arguello commented that all we can do is interpret the language of the law. That is why NSBN is interpreting that way. It is delineated in the law. K. Arguello suggested to go to DMV and ask them. F. Olmstead reminded everyone that we can’t change the regulations of other entities. C. Pitlock commented that she leans on section 2 rather than the interpretation of NSBN and that APRNs are going to have to pursue it in different ways and getting the regulations cleaned up and that section 2 is glossed over by the board in interpretation. C. Dinauer asked for clarification on what C. Pitlock means by the “board glossed over section 2.” K. Arguello added that “endorse certain docs” language, and that all words have meaning, and in totality the Board’s interpretation is correct. C. Pitlock commented that NSBN is authorized to write regulation and if the Board has any plans for that. F. Olmstead replied no. K. Arguello pointed out that the Board’s regulations will not supersede laws or regulations of other agencies. F. Olmstead commented that we will not be silent on this; and our job is to enforce the law as written.

#### **D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Update from APRN subcommittee on Scope of Practice Decision Tree.
- A. Bellow’s request for competency based education models for APRNs.
- P. Strobehn requested they discuss NAC 632.260
- C. Dinauer suggested the role of an APRN serving as Medical Director and/or Medical Spa Director. Currently working with Department of Health & Human Services to arrange meeting to discuss further.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

ADJOURNMENT – the meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

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