MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Date: Thursday, March 5, 2015

Time: Immediately following the Board of Nursing Meeting

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, First Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Members Present: Glenda Tali, MS, APRN, Committee Chair
Lorraine Fleming, DNP, APRN
Katharyn Daub, MS, RN

Staff Present: Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Lisa Kalani, Secretary

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Additions to the Agenda/Additional Distribution:

4. Hawaii Nursing Programs
   f. Kauai Community College – New Nursing Program Director, Tracy Stogner

Approval of the Minutes: The Chair called for a motion of the January 8, 2015 meeting minutes.

Upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Daub, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the January 8, 2015 minutes as circulated.

Hawaii Nursing Programs: Hawaii Community College – New Director of Nursing, Sharon Moran

The Committee reviewed a letter and email with a summary of Ms. Moran’s degrees from Hawaii Community College about a change in nurse administrators.

The Committee deferred making a recommendation again. They would like to see Ms. Moran’s curriculum vitae.
University of Hawaii – CCNE Accreditation to Doctor of Nursing Program (DNP)

The Committee reviewed a publication stating that the Nursing Executive Leadership program prepares nurses to assume leadership positions within complex integrated healthcare delivery systems. The DNP curriculum is incorporated throughout the program so that students can successfully complete the required coursework based on the AACN Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice Essentials to develop and implement the DNP project. The DNP curriculum includes an additional 765 supervised hours for completion of the DNP project thereby meeting the required 1000 supervised hours to obtain a DNP degree.

The EO stated she received an inquiry regarding this publication that states that they thought the DNP was a clinical degree to prepare advanced clinicians but that this appears to be a management degree that has none of the “P” courses we look for in APRNs.

The Chair stated this appears to be a Nursing Executive Leadership program of the DNP and that it does not contain pathophysiology, pharmacology and physical Assessment.

The EO stated, so this is geared toward nurse practitioners, someone who already has a master’s degree that includes pathophysiology, pharmacology and physical assessment?

Dr. Fleming stated correct, however in Hawaii we have APRNs, we don’t have nurse practitioners.

The EO stated it reads in section §16-89-49 The minimum curriculum for nursing programs preparing advanced practice registered nurses shall meet national accreditation standards.

The Committee deferred further discussion on this matter.

University of Hawaii Hilo Doctor of Nursing Program

The Committee reviewed an email providing information related to the different tracks for DNP at UH Hilo.

Hawaii Pacific University

Addition of New Specialty Track – Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP

The Committee reviewed a letter from Lynette Landry, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor regarding the addition of a new specialty track – Adult Gerontology Acute Care NP.

MSN-MBA

The Committee reviewed a letter from Lynette Landry, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor regarding revisions for their MSN-MBA dual degree. The changes were made to lower
the total number of credits required for program completion by not requiring every student in the dual degree program to complete both the nurse practitioner and MBA program requirements.

**RN-MSN**

The Committee reviewed a letter from Lynette Landry, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor regarding revisions to their RN to MSN curriculum.

**Reducing the Number of Credits for General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Students**

The Committee reviewed a letter from Lynette Landry, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor regarding revisions to their general education requirements of baccalaureate students and the maximum number of credits required for the bachelor’s degree to align with Western Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation.

**LPN-BSN**

The Committee reviewed a letter from Lynette Landry, PhD, RN, Dean and Professor regarding revisions to their LPN to BSN program to include a track for military personnel who desire to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and sit for registered nurse licensure. The program was also modified to allow students to challenge out of courses based on previous experience and successfully passing a standardized exam.

**Discussion of “Probation” of Hawaii Nursing Programs for Non-Compliance of Nursing Laws/Rules and/or Pass Rate Below National Standards**

Dr. Fleming stated one of the things that have come up with her discussions with other state boards is that they do not have a perpetual probationary period for schools that do not meet their NCLEX pass rate. They actually de-certify programs after a period of time. For most of them it is 3-5 years, with 5 years being the worst. What some boards did for the probationary period is, first year – nothing, second year – submit a plan of correction, third year - make school stop admitting students until rate is improved.

The EO stated the only thing we could do is withdraw their approval.

The Chair stated their accreditation status would be in jeopardy as well.

Dr. Fleming stated if their board approval is withdrawn, then that means anyone who graduates won’t qualify for licensure because the school has to have board approval.

The EO stated they have to be board approved or accredited, and in the past the Committee wanted to get away from board approved.

The Chair clarified they did not mean getting away from Hawaii Board approved, just any other board approved.
Dr. Fleming stated a program which fails to correct these conditions to the satisfaction of the Board within a reasonable time frame may be subject to losing board approval after a hearing, etc., etc. We have to let these schools know that are on probation that they are not meeting the standards and that they have one year, otherwise the Board is considering removing Board approval.

The EO stated then you need to amend your laws/rules to have the authority to take any action and to clarify what standards Hawaii nursing programs must maintain in order to be Board approved.

The DAG stated you would have to change your rules.

Dr. Fleming stated then we should stop talking about this and start doing something.

The EO stated we can look at other states, do they have a probation section in their rules, and if they do, is it something we can consider. She asked the Committee to let her know if there was another state that we could use as a “model” but that she will also look at other states and try to come up with something for the Committee to review.

Dr. Fleming recused herself from the following discussion and determination.

The Committee reviewed an email asking where in the regulations it states that a clinical day can be made up by doing an alternate assignment.

The DAG stated there is nothing in the laws and rules that allow that.

The Chair and Ms. Daub determined there is no regulation that allows for substitution of a missed clinical day, unless the clinical hours already completed are in excess of the 40% clinical and laboratory instruction requirement.

Kauai Community College – New Nursing Program Director, Tracy Stogner

The Committee reviewed information on Ms. Stogner’s qualifications as the new nursing program director for Kauai Community College.

After a review of Ms. Stogner’s curriculum vitae, it was the consensus of the Committee to recommend approval to the Board.

Correspondence: Request for Clarification of Education Rules

The Committee reviewed an email regarding the curriculum of Hawaii nursing program’s theory hours.

The Committee confirmed the theory hours outlined in the email was in compliance with the current administrative rules pertaining to the LPN and RN curriculum.
Old Business: Amendments to HAR Chapter 89 – Status Report

The Committee deferred discussion on the following:
- Distance/Online Prelicensure Nursing Programs
- Temporary License of MEPN Students
- National Accreditation and/or Board Approved Nursing Programs
- National Certification vs. CE
- In-State and Out-of-State Distance Learning Nursing Programs
- Foreign Educated – English Proficiency – MELAB Examination
- Limiting the Number of Times Exam Candidate Allowed to Take NCLEX
- Annual Pass Rate: 90% of National Pass Rate (NPR) vs. No Percentage of NPR

New Business: Newsletter for Hawaii Nursing Schools/Programs

The EO asked if the Committee would consider a newsletter for Hawaii Nursing Schools/Programs.

The Committee thinks a newsletter is a great idea and will provide input to the EO.

Applications: Stewart, Jenna

The Committee reviewed the RN and LPN application for Jenna Stewart.

The Committee after a brief discussion, by consensus deferred the application for not meeting the education requirements to sit for the NCLEX-PN or NCLEX-RN exam pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes §457-7(f)(2) or §457-8(d) and Hawaii Administrative Rules §16-89-10(2)(B) or §16-89-11(3) based on the information in the CGFNS report that indicated that the education was comparable to completion of a first-level general (Registered) nursing program in the United State, but deficient as indicated above.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2015
Immediately following the Board of Nursing Meeting
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.
Reviewed and Approved by:  

/s/ Lee Ann Teshima 
Lee Ann Teshima 
Executive Officer 

/s/ Lisa Kalani 
Lisa Kalani 
Secretary 

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[ X ] Minutes approved as is.  
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