

Credentialing Committee Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2004

- Call to Order** The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing Credentialing Committee was called to order by Karen Moody, Chair, at 9:05 a.m. on January 28, 2004, in the Board meeting room, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste 601, Metairie, LA.
- Roll Call**
- Committee Members Present**
Karen Moody, PhD, RNC, Chair
Tommie Ashby, BSN, RN
Deborah Olds, RN
Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RNCNP
- Staff Present**
Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director
Ellienne Tate, EdD, RN, Credentialing Director
Margaret Griener, MPH, APRN, Credentialing Manager
Charlann Kable, BSBA, Licensing Analyst
- Guests** Patsy Bourgois, MSN, CNS, RN, Member, Board of Nursing
Nora Steele, DNS, RN, PNP, Member, Board of Nursing
Gwendolyn George, Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners
Joni Nickens, Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners
Shalan Randolph, Student-Loyola NP Program
Cathryn Wright, Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners
- Review of October 15, 2003 Minutes** The Committee reviewed the October 15, 2003 Credentialing Committee minutes.
- Motion** by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee approve the minutes of the October 15, 2003 Credentialing Committee.
- Vote** Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.
- Motion** by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the chair be allowed to reorder the agenda.
- Vote** Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.
- Proposed Revisions To Chapter 45** P. Griener reported on proposed changes to Chapter 45. A draft copy was distributed. Each section was reviewed by the Committee and suggestions for revisions noted. A revised draft including suggested changes will be forwarded to the full Board for approval.
- Motion** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee accept the proposed revisions to Chapter 45 as discussed and submit to the full Board for approval.
- Vote** Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.
- Note** Patsy McClanahan was excused from the meeting.

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**Revised List of
Nursing Specialty/
Professional
Organizations-CE
Requirements**

The Committee reviewed the revised list of Nursing Specialty Organizations with continuing education requirements comparable to the LSBN continuing education Requirements for Relicensure.

Motion

by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee approve the revised list of Nursing Specialty Organizations with continuing education requirements comparable to the LSBN continuing education requirements for Relicensure.

Vote

Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

**Draft Policy for
Endorsement of
Foreign Nurse
Graduates**

E. Tate explained the need for revisions to the policy for Endorsement of Foreign Nurse Graduates.

Motion

by D. Olds, seconded, that the Committee accept the general provisions of the draft policy for licensure of foreign educated nurse to serve as the framework for the development of a policy by staff.

Vote

Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

**Individual Request
For Schedule II**

The individual has rescinded the request at this time.

**Individual Request
Exception to PA Rules**

The individual has rescinded the request at this time.

**NCSBN
Communication**

P. Griener reported on a NCSBN communication regarding national certification and licensure in subspecialties. Louisiana does not accept certification in subspecialties to meet requirements for APRN licensure. For informational purposes - no action was required.

**Request to Accept
Notarized Affidavit
Confirming Social
Security Number in
Lieu of the Social
Security Cards for
Foreign Nurse Graduates**

E. Tate explained the reason for this request. An email was received from Ed Skornia with O'Grady Peyton International (USA), Inc. requesting the Board consider accepting a notarized affidavit in lieu of the social security card. The Board's attorney has advised staff, it is within the law to accept a notarized affidavit confirming a U.S. social security number in lieu of the actual card.

Motion

by D. Olds, seconded, that the Committee recommend that the policy for licensure of foreign nurse graduates reflect acceptance of a notarized affidavit confirming a social security number as a part of the licensure process that requires a social security number.

Vote

Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

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Request to Issue Temporary Permits To Foreign Nurse Graduates An email received from Ed Skornia of O'Grady Peyton International (USA), Inc., requested that the Board reconsider the rule that prohibits foreign nurse graduates from receiving temporary permits. E. Tate explained the reasoning behind the current rule.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that administrative rule, LAC 46:XLVII.3329.C be reconfirmed and that rule changes to permit temporary permits for foreign nurse graduates not be instituted.

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

45 Day NCLEX-RN Retest Policy Staff explained that this policy change is in accord with the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NSCBN), which changed its regulations for NCLEX-RN retesting from 90 days to 45 days.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee accept the 45 day NCLEX-RN retest policy.

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

NCSBN-Change in on NCLEX Passing Standards The NCSBN announced a revision in the NCLEX-RN passing standard to take effect April 1, 2004. For informational purposes only - no action is required by the Committee at this time.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee go into Executive Session to review a request for exception to the prescriptive Authority Rule, LAC 46:XLVII.4513.C.5.k. (physician collaboration with more than 2 APRNs).

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee come out of Executive Session.

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Motion by D. Olds, seconded, that the request from Dr. Scimeca that a third APRN be approved to collaborate with the physician.

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Motion by D. Olds to adjourn the meeting.

Vote Ashby – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Adjournment The Committee adjourned

Submitted by:

Margaret Griener, Credentialing Manager