

Credentialing Committee Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2003

Call to Order The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing Credentialing Committee was called to order by Oswald Ferry, Chair, at 9:00 a.m. on January 15, 2003, in the Board meeting room, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste 501, Metairie, LA.

Roll Call

Committee Members Present
Oswald Ferry, EdD, CRNA, Chair
Tommie Ashby, BSN, RN
Patsy Bourgeois, MSN, RN, CNS (substituting for Karen Moody)

Board Members Present
Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RDMS, CNP, RN
Frankie Rosenthal, MSN, RN, CNS, CNA

Staff Present
Cynthia Morris, MSN, RN, Assistant Executive Director
Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director (arrived 9:45)
Charlann Kable, BSBA, Licensing Analyst

Guests The following guests attended the meeting:
Jacque Rhoads, PhD, ACNP-RC, ANP-C - LSUHSC School of Nursing
Cathryn Wright, RN, MSN, CFNP - Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners
Sattaria S. Dilks, RNC, CFNP
Yvonne Krielow, RN, CFNP

Review of October 23, 2002 Minutes The Committee reviewed the October 23, 2002, Credentialing Committee minutes.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that the committee approve the minutes of the October 23, 2002 Credentialing Committee.

Vote Ashby – yes; Bourgeois – yes. Motion carried.

Review of Certification Program: Certified Rehabilitation – Advanced (CRRN-A) C. Morris reviewed the recommendation to approve Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse-Advanced as a Certification for APRN licensure. It was determined that the certification program meets many of the criteria for Advanced Practice Certification as outlined in Section 4511 but does not meet requirement #5 which requires the advanced practice didactic education be in the specialty. The certification program requires a master's or doctorate in nursing, however they do not require that it be in the specialty of rehabilitation. Based on this, the certification would meet or exceed the requirements for certification in a specialty area to meet CE requirements for relicensure. However, it would not meet the Board's criteria to be recognized as an advanced practice certification program for advanced practice licensure.

Motion by Patsy Bourgeois, seconded, that the Committee approve the Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse-Advanced (CRRN-A) by the Rehabilitation Nursing Certification Board as equivalent to or exceeding the requirements for certification in a specialty area to meet CE requirements for relicensure.

Vote Ashby – yes; Bourgeois – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Patsy Bourgeois, seconded, that the Committee deny approval of the Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse-Advanced (CRRN-A) by the Rehabilitation Nursing Certification Board as not meeting the Board's criteria to be recognized as an advanced practice certification program for advanced practice licensure.

Vote Ashby – yes; Bourgeois – yes. Motion carried.

Request by FNP to Include Psychiatric Practice in Scope Of Practice Sattaria Dilks appeared before the committee to request that a psychiatric practice with prescriptive authority be included with her already approved Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) practice. She had experience in the psychiatric field prior to her certification as an FNP, including being recognized as a Licensed Professional Counselor and a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. Her collaborative practice agreement is with a psychiatrist. Dr. O. Ferry asked Ms. Dilks if she would prefer the committee enter into executive session to review her credentials. She advised the chair she had no objections to the review being done in open session. Ms. Dilks noted that her current collaborative practice agreement includes an addendum based on Deborah Humphey's recommendation that she not see schizophrenics, bipolar disorders or any of the psychotic processes until a decision was obtained from this committee about whether or not that fit in her scope of practice based on her educational background. Her prescribing in the practice of psychiatry is currently limited to the depressive disorders, mood disorders, attention deficit disorders and Alzheimer's.

Since the Board's rules require that didactic and education has to be in the specialty area, Ms. Dilks would have to obtain a degree in Psychiatric/Mental Health as a CNS or a Nurse Practitioner. The Committee advised Ms. Dilks that if she obtained the masters preparation for a CNS in Phyciatric/Mental Health and passed the certification exam, she would be able to add the psychiatric practice.

Jacque Rhoades, LSUHSC School of Nursing, advised the Board that they have a CNS Psychiatric/Mental Health program. The Committee also recommended Ms. Dilks return to the Joint Administrative Committee to see if her collaborative practice agreement could be revised.

Motion by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that 1) Sattaria Dilks go before the Joint Administrative Committee to review her current Prescriptive Authority stipulations in her collaborative practice agreement and 2) explore the option to pursue a CNS in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing and certification examination. At that time she would meet the requirement for licensure and practice the Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing.

Vote Ashby – yes; Bourgeois – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Bourgeois, seconded that the Committee adjourn.

Adjournment The Committee adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Submitted by: _____
Cynthia Morris, Assistant Executive Director