

These minutes have been approved by the board

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
NEBRASKA CENTER FOR NURSING BOARD

Cornhusker State Industries
800 Pioneers Blvd.
Conference Room C
Lincoln, NE 68502

Call to Order

The meeting of the Nebraska Center for Nursing was called to order by Pamela List, Chairperson at 9:45 a.m., October 27, 2011. Location of the copy of the Open Meetings Act was announced.

Roll Call

The following board members were present:

Pamela List, Chairperson
Jeanette Goodwin
Nolan Gurnsey
Diane Hoffmann
Alice Kindschuh
Trish Lenz
Aubray Orduna
Steve Pitkin
Brendon Polt
Kelli Stott
Terrie Spohn (arrived at 11:45 a.m.)
Carol Sukup
Mary Wendl

The following board members were absent:

Linda Stones
Kathleen Campbell

A quorum was established. Also present from DHHS, Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit, Office of Nursing and Nursing Support were Diana Baker, RN, Office Administrator; Karen Bowen, RN, Nursing Practice Consultant; Sheila Exstrom, RN, Nursing Education Consultant. The Board also welcomed Jeannette Goodwin as a new member to the Board to replace Carol Wahl.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the August 25, 2011 meeting were approved.

Juan's Report /Center for Nursing website

Ramirez reported that the statistics from the RN survey in 2010 have been compiled and analyzed. The Annual Report will be completed sometime in December 2011 or January 2012. He also indicated that the Center for Nursing website will expire in December 2011 and Baker and Bowen will be talking with Joe Sacco to pay for an additional 9 years to use the domain name.

Robert Woods Johnson Grant

Juan has found a site that is offering grant money based on the IOM report on the Future of Nursing. He is willing to work on filling out necessary documents to determine eligibility for applying for such a grant.

Orduna made the motion, seconded by Pitkin **that the board recommended the pursuit of an RWJ Grant as presented and to seek collaboration with Nebraska Action Coalition and the Executive Board of the Center for Nursing Foundation to oversee the writing of the grant to address recommendation #8 of the IOM report.**

Voting Aye: Goodwin, Gurnsey, Hoffmann, Kindschuh, Lenz, List, Orduna, Pitkin, Polt, Stotts, Sukup, and Wendl. Abstain: none. Absent: Campbell, Spohn, and Stones. Motion carries.

It was decided that the Executive Officers of the Center for Nursing will approach the NebRAC as a partner for this activity. Ramirez will formulate ideas to present to the NebRAC and Bowen will coordinate a conference call.

Review of 2012 meetings calendar

Baker distributed copies of the 2012 meeting calendar. Meetings will continue to be held on the 4th Thursday of the month, with the exception of December 2012. That meeting will be held on December 20, 2012.

Foundation Board of Directors meeting

Exstrom reported that the meetings of the Board of Directors for the Center for Nursing Forum are continuing. There needs to be some minor changes in the bylaws before the tax ID number can be issued. A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors is scheduled for November 4, 2011 to address these changes.

Strategic Plan

Baker distributed the first draft of the Strategic Plan booklet for review. Changes were noted and Baker will edit the changes and submit for approval in December.

Legislative Resolution 285

Senator Conrad introduced a legislative resolution to study the impact on Nebraska due to the nursing shortage. Baker informed the board that a hearing date of November 29, 2011 has been set for this resolution from Senator Heidemann, Chair of the Appropriations Committee.

New Graduate Programs

A member of the faculty at a local nursing program made a request to address the board regarding some information about a new graduate program under development at the college. The board respectfully denied the request due to the time involved with providing equal time to other college programs. Baker will reply to the faculty member with the decision of the board.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Center for Nursing will be on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at the Cornhusker State Industries (CSI), Conference Room C.

Recorded by

Handwritten signature of Diana Baker RN MSN

Diana Baker, RN, MSN, Office Administrator, Nursing & Nursing Support