

**Kansas State Board of Nursing
APRN Committee Minutes
December 13, 2022**

- Time:** 2:20 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
- Committee Members:** Melissa Oropeza, DNP, APRN-BC, CGRN, Chair
Rebecca Sander, MSN, RN, V. Chair – absent
Jamie Harrington, DNP, APRN, CNM, FNP-BC
Dawn Gosnell, MSN, APRN, CNS, CCRN
Benjamin Cochran, DNP, APRN, NP-C - absent
Josie Bell, MHS, DNAP, CRNA
Shannon Gregg, APRN-C – KTRACS
- Staff:** Carol Moreland, MSN, RN, Executive Administrator
Jill Simons, Executive Assistant
- Call to order:** The APRN Committee meeting was called to order by Melissa Oropeza, DNP, APRN-BC, CGRN, Chair at 2:20 p.m.
- Review onsite packet:** There was nothing for the onsite packet.
- Add/Rev. Agenda:** There were no additions/revisions to the agenda.
- Announcements:** M. Oropeza introduced Michaela Hysten as a new member of the Board.
- Minutes:** The minutes of the June 28, 2022, APRN Committee meeting were reviewed. It was moved to accept the June 28, 2022, APRN Committee minutes as written. Motion #1 Harrington/Gosnell Adopted.
- There were no minutes from the September 13, 2022, APRN Committee as a quorum of Committee members were not present and the meeting could not be held.
- Unfinished Business:**
- CNM-I Regulations:** J. Harrington reported on the CNM-I Regulations. The Committee met in October 2022 and the discussion was the CNM-I Regulations language. It was discovered that some of the language that went through legislative was not what the Committee had agreed upon or voted on. The Committee will now need to go back and do a whole language revision on these regulations. This language revision will impact the regulations that involved the Board of Nursing. The next meeting will be held in January 2023.

PMP Committee Report: S. Gregg reported on the PMP Committee Report. Shannon reported that KTRACS Committee met in November. There was continued discussion on funding for the KTRAC program. The Committee also discussed wanting to get the APRN Committee input on creating educational content for Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) that specifically relates to KTRACS that would be available on the KSBN website for Nurse Practitioners who are involved in the KTRACS program. Would that be a benefit to Nurse Practitioners?

There were technical issues when S. Greg was giving her report to the APRN Committee. After several attempts to rectify the issue the Committee decided to move on and to have S. Gregg give her comments at the March 2023 APRN Committee.

National Certification: C. Moreland reported on the national certification approval requirements that involved the HB 2279 that will go into effect on July 1, 2023.

On or after July 1, 2023, anybody seeking initial application through Kansas shall have a current advanced practice registered nurse certification in such applicant's specific rule and population focus that has been granted by a national certifying organization recognized by the board and whose certification standards are approved by the board as equal to or greater than the corresponding standards established by the board; and an advanced practice register nurse whose initial license is prior to July 1, 2023, may submit evidence of certification upon renewal.

The Board of Nursing does not have any criteria to approve these certifications standards or agencies as this is a new requirement for the Board. The consensus of the APRN Committee is to have those APRN's who are renewing their license provide malpractice and certification at the time of their renewal and for initial applicants seeking licensure through Kansas to follow the APRN Consensus.

Implementation of HB 2279: C. Moreland reported on the implementation of HB 2279. The language in the bill for malpractice insurance for initial licensure has been interpreted by KSBN and the KSBN legal counsel to mean that anybody seeking initial license with Kansas must have malpractice insurance before they can be licensed in Kansas. This has caused an issue for some as some must have a job first before they can get malpractice insurance and must have a license before they can start working. For those who have this issue we can give

them a temporary permit to allow them to work and obtain their malpractice license once they have a temporary license.

5-Year Legislative Review: The regulations below were tabled until APRN Committee March 2023.

- a. K.S.A. 65-1131 – Certificate of qualification; fees
- b. K.S.A. 65-1132 – Renewal of certificate of qualification
- c. K.S.A. 65-1133 – Training programs
- d. K.A.R. 60-11-102 – Roles of advance practice
- e. K.A.R. 60-11-106 – Functions of Nurse Anesthetist
- f. K.A.R. 60-11-118 – Temporary permit to practice
- g. K.A.R. 60-11-120 – Expiration dates-licenses/applications
- h. K.A.R. 60-11-121 – Exempt license

APRN Committee Meetings: C. Moreland asked for discussion from the APRN Committee on attending the meeting in person as the consensus of the Board in June was to have all Board and Committee members attend meetings in person starting in September 2022. The consensus of the APRN Committee is that they are wanting to continue to meet virtually as members are not always able to travel to Topeka. Going forward the APRN Committee will be sent invites to join the meeting as a panelist via zoom.

New Business:

APRN Program Approvals: The APRN Committee last met on June 28, 2022, to discuss the APRN Program Approvals. Due to time constraints the approvals were tabled until March 2023.

Agenda for March 2023 Committee:

- 1) APRN Out of State Program Approvals from June 28, 2022
- 2) PMP Committee Report
- 3) CNM-I Regulations
- 4) Five-Year Legislative Review
- 5) HB 2279 APRN Approved List for KSBN Website
- 6) NMW Malpractice Insurance Coverage if not employed by hospital interpretation.

Adjourn: The APRN Committee adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Approved March 21, 2023

December 13, 2022, APRN Committee Meeting

Committee Chairperson

Date