

**Kansas Board of Nursing  
Education Committee Minutes  
March 29, 2022**

**Time:** 8:37 AM – 11:10 AM

**Committee Members:** Patsy Zeller, MSN, APRN, NP-C, Chair  
Julianna Rieschick, RN, MSN, NEA-BC  
Andrea Watson, RN, BSN, OCN, CCRP  
Christina Rudacille, MSN, RNC  
Dee Bohnenblust, EdD, MSN, APRN, RN  
Amy Hite, DNP, EdS, APRN, FNP  
Michelle Birdashaw, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, ENP-C, CCRN

**Staff:** Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN – Nursing Edu. Compliance Officer  
Carol Moreland, MSN, RN – Executive Administrator  
Michelle Brown – Education Secretary

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Patsy Zeller, MSN, APRN, FNP, Chair, at 8:37 AM via Zoom.

P. Zeller stated because the Education Committee is conducting this public meeting by Zoom, she stated for the record the following information:

On March 14, 2022, the Board sent notice of the meeting for the Education Committee to all individuals who have requested notice of the Committee’s meetings. Additionally, the notice and agenda were posted on the Board’s website: [ksbn.kansas.gov](http://ksbn.kansas.gov). The notice contains the meeting dial-in number and pin to allow the public to attend this meeting free of charge. The notice also advised individuals to contact the Board’s office at 785-296-2967 if the individual does not have access to a computer.

**Rev. Onsite Packet:** There is an on-site packet, which includes a Major Curriculum change Request from North Central Kansas Tech - Beloit, PN program, to make changes to the PN program to better fit with the addition of an LPN-RN bridge program at the Beloit campus (this is the tabled MCCR from the Dec. 2021 meeting), and a comparison report of IELTS and TOEFL English Language Testing Systems.

It was moved to accept the onsite packet as is. Motion #1 Rudacille/Hite Adopted.

**Add./Rev. Agenda:** There is a revision to the agenda: 1) add Major Curriculum change Request from North Central Kansas Tech - Beloit, PN program, to make changes to the current PN program to better align with a 1+1 program.

It was moved to approve the March 29, 2022, Education Committee meeting Agenda as revised. Motion #2 Bohnenblust/Watson Adopted.

**Announcements:** There were no announcements.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the December 14, 2021, Education Committee meeting were reviewed.

It was moved to approve the December 14, 2021, Education Committee minutes as written. Motion #3 Rudacille/Bohnenblust Adopted.

**Educ. Spec. Report:** The Nursing Education Compliance Officer's Report was reviewed by Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN. The report includes an update on new or interim Program Administrators. An overview of the site visits, education activities, faculty qualification reports and NCBSN Core Data Annual Report.

**Site Visit Reports:**

**NCKTC-Hays:** The October 25-27, 2021, with ACEN, site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Hays, ADN Program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Christina Rudacille, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Hays, ADN program with recommendations, and reapprove the ADN Program for a time-period of national accreditation. Motion #4 Watson/Birdashaw Adopted.

**NCKTC-Hays:** The October 25-27, 2021, site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Hays, PN Program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Christina Rudacille, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Hays, PN program with recommendations, and reapprove the PN program for five years. Motion #5 Rieschick/Hite Adopted.

**Newman University:** The November 1-2, 2021, site visit report for Newman University, Nurse Anesthesia Program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Amy Hite DNP, EdS, APRN, FNP and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the site visit report for Newman University, RNA (graduate) program with recommendations, and re-approve the RNA (graduate) program for a time-period of national accreditation. Motion #6 Bohnenblust/Rudacille Adopted.

Colby CC: The November 17-18, 2021, site visit report for Colby Community College, PN Program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Rebecca Sander, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the site visit report for Colby Community College PN program with recommendations and re-approve the PN program for a time-period of five years. Motion #7 Rieschick/Birdashaw Adopted.

WSU Tech: The February 2-3, 2022, site visit report for Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences & Technology, ADN Program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Christina Rudacille, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the initial site visit report for Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences & Technology for a new ADN program with recommendations and approve to admit 20 students annually beginning Fall 2022 with a site visit to occur after the first graduation (Fall 2024). Motion #8 Watson/Hite Adopted.

WSU: The February 8, 2022, site visit report for Wichita State University, Satellite campus for BSN Program at KSU, Manhattan KS, was reviewed. Site visitors were Christina Rudacille, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the initial site visit report for Wichita State University BSN program's satellite program on the KSU campus in Manhattan, KS, approving them to admit 20 students for Fall 2022 and semi-annually thereafter (40 / AY) with a follow-up visit for the satellite campus to occur with the next planned site visit for the current WSU BSN program. Motion #9 Birdashaw/Watson Adopted.

NCKTC - Beloit: The February 16-17, 2022, site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Beloit, ADN Program. Site visitors were Rebecca Sander, MSN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the initial site visit report for North Central Kansas Technical College-Beloit, for a new LPN to ADN (1+1) program, approving the initial admission of 15 ADN level students beginning Fall 2022 and annually thereafter, with a follow-up site visit to occur after the first graduation (Spring 2024) and before requesting additional ADN students. Motion #10 Rudacille/Bohnenblust Adopted.

Mid-America: The March 3-4, 2022, site visit report for Mid-America Nursing and Allied health Institute, for the PN Program. Site visitors were Delyna Bohnenblust, EdD, MSN, APRN, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the initial site visit report with recommendations for Mid-America Nursing & Allied Health Institute, to begin a PN program and admit 60 students annually (20 students to each of three cohorts for day, evening, and weekend), beginning August 2022, and to have a follow-up site visit after the first graduations (Fall 2023). Motion #11 Birdashaw/Rudacille Adopted.

**New Business:**

Major Curriculum Change Requests:

NCKTC - Hays: Requests to include IV Therapy in Practical Nursing curriculum starting Fall of 2022.

Rationale for Change: NCKTC would like to have LPN nurses IV certified when they graduate from the PN Program. This will help meet the industry standards and will also help meet KBOR revised PN Core curriculum requirements.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from North Central Kansas Technical College-Hays, PN program, to add IV Therapy to the PN curriculum beginning Fall 2022. Motion #12 Bohnenblust/Birdashaw Adopted.

MATC: Requests to include IV Therapy in Practical Nursing curriculum starting Winter of 2022.

Rationale for Change: This change is requested to become compliant with the changes in the Kansas Nurse Practice Act KAR 60-2-104 and KAR 60-16-104.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from Manhattan Area Technical College, PN program, to incorporate IV Therapy into the PN curriculum beginning Fall 2022. Motion #13 Hite/Watson Adopted.

Benedictine C: Request to revise the BSN Program Mission Statement to: The mission of the Nursing Program is to provide an evidence-based curriculum to prepare future nurse leaders and life-long learners. We educate students to become professional nurses who will deliver person-centered, ethical, holistic, compassionate, safe, and effective care.

Rationale for Change: The Benedictine College nursing faculty has revised the mission and philosophy to reflect changes in professional nursing and the new AACN Essential. They are in the process of revising

the entire curriculum and this is the first step in the curriculum revision process.

It was moved approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from Benedictine College, BSN program, to Revise the nursing program Mission statement. Motion #14 Birdashaw/Bohnenblust Adopted.

Benedictine C: Request to revise the to revise a current course, NURS 4930 Synthesis Practicum (2 CH), into two courses, NURS 4900 Synthesis (1 CH didactic course) and NURS 4910 Capstone Clinical (2 CH) and increase clinical clock hours from 90 to 135 hours.

Rationale for Change: This change would clarify faculty workload hours, student expectations, and course organization.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from Benedictine College, BSN program, to revise a current course, NURS 4930 Synthesis Practicum (2 CH), into two courses, NURS 4900 Synthesis (1 CH didactic course) and NURS 4910 Capstone Clinical (2 CH) and increase clinical clock hours from 90 to 135 hours. Motion #15 Rieschick/Rudacille Adopted.

Colby CC: Request to change course numbering and decrease credit hours for current RRT/MICT to ADN transition courses NS250 Transitions (2 CH), NS251 Articulation Concepts (2 CH), and NS252 Concepts of Care (4 CH) to NS201 (1 CH), NS202 (1 CH), and NS203 (2 CH), respectively, and to change these courses from face-to-face to a hybrid methodology. In keeping with this new continuity, to also approve a change in course number for NS200 Nursing Care of Adults III to NS205.

Rationale for Change: Changing the course numbers will reflect the correct sequencing of these courses in the program. Converting them to Hybrid courses will help with student travel time and would be appealing to more students therefore increasing enrollment. The reduction in credit hours for the three courses will provide more detailed objectives and decrease redundancy for those already in professional roles.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from Colby Community College, ADN program, to change course numbering and decrease credit hours for current RRT/MICT to ADN transition courses NS250 Transitions (2 CH), NS251 Articulation Concepts (2 CH), and NS252 Concepts of Care (4 CH) to NS201 (1 CH), NS202 (1 CH), and NS203 (2 CH), respectively, and to change these courses from face-to-face to a hybrid methodology. In keeping with this new continuity, to also approve a change in course number for NS200 Nursing Care of Adults III to NS205. Motion #16 Rudacille/Birdashaw Adopted.

KU DNP (1): Request to change the DNP program final project course sequence from one, multi-semester course (NRSG 980 Doctor of Nursing Practice Project - 6 CH), to a three-course sequence, with new courses NRSG 981: DNP Project Proposal Development (2 CH), NRSG 982: DNP Project Implementation Practicum (3 CH), and NRSG 983: DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination (1 CH).

Rationale for Change: To streamline the project course sequence so that students can finish in year.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from University of Kansas, Graduate program, to change to the DNP program final project course sequence from one, multi-semester course (NRSG 980 Doctor of Nursing Practice Project - 6 CH), to a three-course sequence, with new courses NRSG 981: DNP Project Proposal Development (2 CH), NRSG 982: DNP Project Implementation Practicum (3 CH), and NRSG 983: DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination (1 CH). Motion #17 Birdashaw/Hite Adopted.

KU DNP (2):

Request to change to the DNP Nurse-Midwifery Specialty program didactic and practicum courses in response to core competency revisions. Changes existing courses: NRSG 841: Reproductive endocrinology, NRSG 921: Primary care of Women Across the Lifespan, NRSG 922: Care of Women in the Antepartal Period, NRSG 923: Nurse-Midwifery in the Postpartum and Newborn Period, and NRSG 924: Nurse-Midwifery in the Intrapartum Period. New courses: NRSG 962: Nurse-Midwifery Professionalism Seminar, NRSG 966: Nurse-Midwifery Practicum I, NRSG 967: Nurse-Midwifery Practicum II, and NRSG 968: Nurse-Midwifery Practicum III: Integration. Also, remove the 2-credit hour elective requirement for those in the DNP degree program but keep the requirement for the post-graduate certificate program.

Rationale for Change: There has been a revision in the core competencies for this specialty area and so the changes to the curriculum are reflective of these revisions. This will increase credit hours within the specialty by 2 credit hours, which is a better use of credit hours. We are recommending removal of the 2-credit-hour elective for nurse-midwifery preferred plans/curriculum in the DNP program. However, for the post-graduate certificate students, we believe the 2-credit -hour increase is necessary and appropriate.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from University of Kansas, DNP Graduate program for Nurse-Midwifery, to change program didactic and practicum courses as outlined in the March

2022 Education Committee packet. Motion #18 Rudacille/Rieschick Adopted

U. of St. Mary: Request to increase admission class size, initiate an accelerated program for traditional students, update curriculum/courses to match credit hour requirements for graduation more closely to university requirements.

Rationale for Change: Many students are looking for accelerated track programs to get into practice quicker, and USM has an established and successful accelerated track program for students with previous degrees. We should like to add this additional accelerated track program for traditional students as an option for those high achievers who meet more stringent admission criteria and have already completed all Gen Education requirements. The additional seats requested would be to accommodate students in the additional accelerated track for traditional students.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from University of St. Mary, BSN program, to 1) initiate an accelerated BSN program track for traditional students (already have accelerated track for those with previous bachelor's degree), 2) update BSN courses to better match University credit hour requirements (will decrease from 127 CH to 121 CH for the BSN program), and 3) increase admissions from 74 to 100 students annually to allow for additional BSN students in the accelerated track. Motion #19 Rieschick/Rudacille Adopted. Birdashaw Abstained

It was moved to amend the motion on the floor to read, it was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from University of St. Mary, BSN program, to 1) initiate an accelerated BSN program track for traditional students (already have accelerated track for those with previous bachelor's degree), 2) update BSN courses to better match University credit hour requirements (will decrease from 127 CH to 123 CH for the BSN program), and 3) increase admissions from 74 to 100 students annually to allow for additional BSN students in the accelerated track. Motion #19 Rieschick/Rudacille Adopted. Birdashaw Abstained

NCKTC – Beloit: Request to revise the PN program to include IV therapy at the PN level and to better coordinate with the new ADN (1+1) program at Beloit.

Rationale for Change: This request to change the PN Program is being submitted as a simultaneous request to transform to a 1+1 program. These course changes are aligned with the requirements of KBOR and already implemented on our Hays campus. Our students and community have been requesting this change for a long time. Transforming from a stand-alone PN Program to a 1+1 continues to offer students the ability to obtain their education to get licensed as an LPN as well as continuing their education with the same school program.

It was moved approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from North Central Kansas Technical College-Beloit, PN program, to revise the PN program to include IV therapy at the PN level and to better coordinate with the new ADN (1+1) program at Beloit. The ADN level is planning to utilize the approved curriculum from NCKTC-Hays ADN program. Motion #20 Bohnenblust/Birdashaw Adopted.

Break: 10:14 AM

Open Session: 10:30 AM

#### Initial Applications for new Nursing Programs

Barclay College: Barclay College represented by Kim Hansen MSN-ED/RN Dean for School of Nursing. Requests the approval of a traditional BSN Program.

It was moved to accept the Initial Nursing Program Application for Barclay College for a traditional BSN program with a site visit to occur before approval is given to admit 18 students annually beginning Fall 2023. Motion #21 Bohnenblust/Rudacille Adopted.

2021 NCLEX Rates: The 2021 NCLEX First Time Pass Rates Report was reviewed by J.Martin. It was noted that the PN Kansas pass rate was 87.2% and the PN national pass rate was 79.6% for the 2021 NCLEX year. The RN Kansas pass rate (combined ADN and BSN) was 84.58% and the RN national pass rate was 82.48%. Programs with a 100% pass rate were acknowledged (Salina Area Technical College ADN and PN programs, Barton Community College PN program, Labette Community College PN level program, and North Central KS Tech – Beloit PN program). At direction of the Education Committee, letters of concern will be mailed to programs that have pass rates less than 75% for two consecutive years and certificates will be sent out to any programs with pass rates above the national average.

IELTS: Discussion was held on a new English proficiency testing option that could be approved along with the current TOEFL test. : The IELTS, or International English Language Testing System, has two test options and uses a 9-band scale to test in four areas of language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. These are the same four areas used by TOEFL. Per the request of the committee, J.Martin will bring more information back to the June 2022 meeting regarding the test and the scoring for the test

#### Unfinished Business:



NCSBN: J Martin gave an update on the NCSBN Annual Report Core Data Survey for Pilot programs. The report is still being finalized and we hope to have for the June 2022 meeting.

Site Visit Schedule: The 2022 Nursing and MHT Program Site Visit Schedule was reviewed by Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

K.S.A. 74-1106: It was moved to approve K.S.A 74-1106 as written. Motion #22 Rudacille/Rieschick Adopted

K.S.A. 65-1133: It was moved to approve K.S.A 65-1133 as written. Motion #23 Watson/Bohnenblust Adopted

Petition Correction: It was moved to remove Jordan Siek from the approved petitioner summary list for Dec. 2021 due to an error in graduation date. Motion #24 Bohnenblust/Birdashaw Adopted

Petitions: I move to approve the Petition for Permission to Test/Retest Summary from November 16, 2021, through February 28, 2022, which includes:

Kedir Hamda	Samson Sievisa	Brandon Gottschalk
Jordan Siek	Brooke Stroud	Shameka Thompson

Motion #25 Birdashaw/ Rudacille Adopted.

Agenda for June 2022:

1. NCSBN Annual Report of Core Data Survey - Pilot summary report
2. IELTS
3. Legal Interpretation of PN Regulations C. Moreland

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

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Committee Chairperson

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Date