

**Kansas Board of Nursing
Education Committee Minutes
June 10th, 2025**

Time: 8:30 AM – 11:02 AM

Committee Members: Present in Person:

Amy Hite, EdD(c), DNP, EdS, APRN, FNP-BC, Chair
Ruth L.M. Burkart, DNP, MSN, MA, RN-BC, LPCC, V-Chair
Michelle Terry, Public Member
Karen Kidder, DNP, RN, CNE
Angela Murray, MSN, RN, MICT
Debra Pile, DNP, APRN, P-CNS

Absent with Notice:

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Mechele Hailey, DNP, RNC-OB, CNE

Staff: Present in Person

Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN – Nursing Edu. Comp. Officer
Carol Moreland, MSN, RN – Executive Administrator
Stacy Johnson – Administrative Assistant, Education

Quorum: A quorum was present

Call to Order: The Education Committee meeting was called to order by Amy Hite, EdD(c), DNP, EdS, APRN, FNP-BC, Chair, at 8:30 AM in Room 509 of the Landon State Office Building and via Zoom.

Rev. Onsite Packet: There was an on-site packet including an addition to the petition summary, and an update on 2:1 simulation hours.

Add./Rev. Agenda: No additions or revision to the agenda.

Announcements: J. Martin announced administrator changes at Washburn University and Mid-America Nazarene University. Dr. Jane Carpenter is retiring from Washburn after 32 years of service with the school of nursing. Dr. Crystal Stevens has been selected as the Interim Director beginning 7/1/25. Dr. Sarah Miller is stepping down from the Dean role to move to other opportunities at MNU and the new Dean of Nursing will be Dr. Jennifer Ferguson. She will also begin her new position on 7/1/25.

Minutes: The minutes from the March 25th, 2025, Education Committee meeting were reviewed.

It was moved to approve the March 25th, 2025, Education Committee minutes as written. Motion #1 Murray/ Burkhart Adopted

Educ. Spec. Report: Part of Consent Agenda

Consent Item Agenda

It was moved to approve the amended Consent Item Agenda which includes:

- a. Nursing Education Staff Report
 - b. 2025 Site Visit Schedule
 - c. Petition to Test/Retest Summary 2/21/25 through 5/12/25 (3 petitioners) from onsite packet
- Motion #2 Terry/Kidder Adopted

Site Visit Reports:

Galen College ADN:

The March 11-12, 2025, follow up after first graduation site visit report for Galen College, ADN program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Mechele Hailey, DNP, RN and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the follow-up after first graduation site visit report for Galen College of Nursing ADN program and approve for five years. Motion #3 Kidder/Burkhart Adopted.

Flint Hills Technical College PN:

The April 29-30, 2025, focused reapproval site visit report with recommendations for Flint Hills Technical College, PN program, was reviewed. Site visitors were Debra Pile, PhD, RN, and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the focused reapproval site visit report for Flint Hills Technical College, PN program, and to approve the program for a time period of 5 years.

Motion #4 Pile/Kidder Adopted.

Cloud County Community College PN level:

The May 5, 2025, the initial site visit report for Cloud County Community College's newly designated PN program level, was reviewed. Cloud was approved to move to Bilevel AND program status which will allow students who complete the first level of the ADN program to take the PN NCLEX. Site visitors were Patty Palmietto, DNP, MSN, RN, and Janelle Martin, MHSA, RN.

It was moved to accept the initial site visit report for Cloud County Community College PN level program with a follow up visit for the PN level to be done in conjunction with the next ADN site visit in Spring 2027.

Motion #5 Terry/Murray Adopted.

New Business: Major Curriculum Change Requests:

Wichita State University:

Request to incorporate CCNE's 2021 New Essentials which includes new courses and elimination and integration of previous courses which aligns with KBOR's universal, pre-nursing transfer requirements.

It was moved to accept the Major Curriculum Change request from Wichita State University (Undergraduate, BSN and ABSN programs) to incorporate CCNE's 2021 New Essentials, which includes new courses and elimination and integration of previous courses which aligns with KBOR's universal, pre-nursing transfer requirements as presented.

Motion #6 Kidder/Terry Adopted. Pile abstained

University of Saint Mary:

Request to separate clinical hours and didactic hours for all NP courses, drop NUFP from FNP course numbers and revert to the division standard NU, and remove the lab credit from NUFP 785 and NU 796 and replace it in didactic hours.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change request from University of Saint Mary MSN Graduate program to separate clinical hours and didactic hours for all NP courses, drop the NUFP from FNP courses and revert to the division standard NU, and remove the lab credit from NUFP 785 and NU 796 and replace it in didactic.

Motion #7 Murray/Burkart Adopted Kidder abstained

Butler Community College:

Request to grant IV Therapy Certification for students in the 1st level of the program who successfully complete all IV therapy requirements and pass their NCLEX-PN

It was moved to approve the major curriculum change request from Butler CC to grant IV Therapy Certification for students in the 1st level of the program who successfully complete all IV therapy requirements and pass their NCLEX-PN

Motion# 8 Murray/Terry

Manhattan Area Technical College:

Request to change all clinical courses in the PN program from Pass/Fail to a graded format to align with the didactic courses.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change request from Manhattan Area Technical College to change all clinical courses in the PN program from Pass/Fail to a graded format to align with the didactic courses.

Motion #9 Burkart/Kidder

University of Kansas:

Request a change in the delivery method to either in-person, online, or hybrid modality for NURS 472 Evidence-Based Practice: Translating Research to Practice.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from the University of Kansas BSN program to allow the delivery method to either be in-person, online, or hybrid modality for NURS 472 Evidence-Based Practice: Translating Research to Practice.

Motion #10 Kidder/Pile Adopted

Washburn University:

Request to:

-Retire NU850 Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I, 3 credits, and replace with NU 851 Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I with Lab, 4 credits with new course description and outcomes.

-Reduce credit hours in NU 857 Adv Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Practicum from 6 to 4 and add a new course, NU 865 Psychotherapeutic Interventions Practicum (2 credits) with new course description and outcomes.

-Change credit to clock hour ratio from 1 credit=60 clock hours to 1 credit =75 clock hours which will affect NU857, NU865, NU859 Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Special Focus Practicum

-Updated course description and outcomes for NU857 and NU 859.

It was moved approve the Major Curriculum Change request from Washburn University to:

- 1) Retire NU850 Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I, 3 Credits, and replace with NU 851 Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I with lab, 4 credits with new course description and outcomes,
- 2) Reduce credit hours for NU 857 Advance Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Practicum from 6 to 4 and add a new course, NU 865 Psychotherapeutic Interventions Practicum for 2 credits with new course description and outcomes,
- 3) Change Credit to clock hour ratio of 1 credit=60 clock hours to 1 credit = 75 clock hours which will affect NU857, NU865, NU859 Advance Psychiatric Nursing Special Focus Practicum, and
- 4) Update course descriptions and outcomes for NU857 and NU 859

Motion #11 Burkart/Murray Adopted

Fort Scott Community College:

Request to

-change the in-course sequencing, leveling and distribution of Medical Surgical Nursing content across 3 semesters (instead of 2), without a change in total credit hours

-Move all courses face-to-face with the exception of NSG2542 Nursing Leadership and Management, which will be a hybrid course; and

-Move to an annual admission process in the Fall (no spring admits) after a site visit is done to confirm all recommendations are complete per board action

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from Fort Scott Community College ADN program to: 1) change the in-course sequencing, leveling and distribution of Medical Surgical Nursing content across 3 semesters (instead of 2), without a change in total credit hours. 2) Move all courses to face-to-face format with the exception of NSG2542 Nursing Leadership and Management, which will be a hybrid course; and 3) Move to an annual admission process in the Fall (no spring admits) after a site visit is done to confirm all recommendations are complete per board action.

Motion #12 Kidder/Terry Adopted

University of Saint Mary:

Request to allow hybrid (remote synchronous and asynchronous) presentation of BSN content, and an additional spring start date.

It was moved to approve the Major Curriculum Change Request from the University of Saint Mary BSN program to allow hybrid (remote synchronous and asynchronous) presentation of BSN content and add an additional spring start date with no increase to approved number of annual admissions.

Motion #13 Murray/Pile Adopted Kidder: Abstain

WSU Tech

Request to expand the ADN program by 30 seats to allow a better balance with the PN program.

It was moved to approve the major curriculum change request from WSU Tech ADN program to decrease the number of admits to the PN program from 80 to 55 each semester (up to 110 annually) and expand the ADN level by 30 seats and allow for a spring admission which would offer 60 seats annually.

Motion #14 Terry/Kidder Adopted

Five Year Legislative Review

1. 60-5-102 Approval procedure (LMHT)
2. 60-6-101 Requirements (LMHT)

J. Martin stated the board is still working on a review process for regulations that would align with the new legislative requirement to review all regulations every 5 years for necessity. It was suggested that discussion be held until September meeting to hopefully reduce re-work. Board agreed to table discussion and place on agenda for September.

Unfinished Business:

NCLEX Improvement Plan Reports:

Seward County Community College, ADN Program

A representative from Seward County Community College was present to discuss their improvement plan packet. The plan included providing greater academic support for students, implementation of ATI, and support for the high number of ESL students. SCCC also decided to raise the admission GPA from 2.5 to 3.0. KSBN will look at pass rates again in March.

Mid-America College of Health Sciences, PN Program

Representatives from MACOHS were present and discussed their improvement plan summary. Representatives discussed their transition to Lippincott which they believe will lead to better benchmarks for success. MACOHS also mentioned raising the admissions criteria, as well as encouraging students to not delay testing after graduation. There was also a consultant recommendation to provide more focused education to the faculty on teaching and learning strategies in nursing education. Board asked for an update on the improvement plan be done for the Site Visit in Spring of 2026 with a focus on NCLEX pass rates and timeliness of testing by students.

Donnelly College, ADN and PN programs

Representatives from Donnelly College were present to address concerns within the program and to provide an NCLEX improvement plan as well as an update on the evaluation plan for nursing. Donnelly College

presented a Five Pillar Action Plan including improving student engagement, satisfaction, and morale; stabilize current faculty and recruit and retain qualified educators; improve student academic performance and NCLEX pass rates; expand SIM Lab; and Implement program evaluation to track progress. Requested data was not in the evaluation plan. Discussion was held regarding the continued complaints received on the Donnelly programs. Most complaints still refer to the program as disorganized and have uncertainty about the quality of faculty. Board upheld the decision made at the March meeting to cease admissions to both programs and focus on currently admitted students until the program is stable for at least 6 months with a site visit to be done before re-starting admissions. The Board will review the NCLEX data for Donnelly in September and decide if admission in January is a possibility even if a site visit cannot be completed prior to the January date.

Break 10:20-10:30

LMHT Task Force-

Ruth Burkart gave an update on the LMHT Task force, and those members involved with this committee. R. Burkhart gave suggestions and recommendation on behalf of the Task force after meeting together.

The Board recommended KSBN engage in discussion with KDADS prior to September's meeting regarding the task force recommendation to sunset the LMHT license going forward and see if KDADS would consider managing an MHT certificate for this level of provider.

This recommendation would require that KSBN provides a means for ongoing support for renewal of currently licensed LMHTs and that currently approved LMHT programs offer a teach-out option for those that are currently enrolled.

Follow Up on the 2:1 hour for simulation

J. Martin gave an update on her findings and presented information through the onsite packet. The Board discussed concerns with the 2:1 simulation and gave a reminder that it is still 1:1 in Kansas.

KNPA- Approved changes to regulations with approval dates

KAR 60-3-114 Refresher Course (amended 1.31.2025)

A change was made to the refresher course requirements that were implemented Jan. 31, 2025. This change will open up more opportunities for other providers that may fit the new refresher criteria.

KAR 60-17-101 to 60-17-109 (amended 2.7.2025)

All changes have been approved and are in effect, including the increase in curriculum hours for APRN programs which went into effect in February with March 1st, 2025, as a cutoff date for those in APRN programs currently. All those starting APRN programs after the 3/1/25 date will fall under the new regulations for clinical hours of 750.

September 2025 Agenda:

Donnelly Follow-up
LMHT Task Force
Legislative Review for KAR 60-5-102 and 60-6-101

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 11:02 AM

Committee Chairperson

Date