eNLC Commission Meeting via Teleconference

Meeting Minutes

Jan 16, 2018
2:00 pm—3:00 pm Central

Minutes prepared by Jim Puente, staff
Minutes reviewed by Sue Tedford, Chair

Commissioners Present:

S. Tedford, Arkansas, Chair
J. Ridenour, Arizona
J. Runkle for D. Mangler, Delaware
J. Baker, Florida
J. Cleghorn, Georgia
S. Evans, Idaho
K. Weinberg, Iowa, Member-at-Large
P. Schenk, Kentucky, Treasurer
K. Esquibel, Maine
K. Evans, Maryland
L. Scheidt, Missouri
A. Oertwich, Nebraska
D. Nies, New Hampshire
M. McDonald for J. George, North Carolina
S. Pfenning, North Dakota, Member-at-Large
K. Glazier, Oklahoma, Member-at-Large
C. Moody, South Carolina
G. Damgaard, South Dakota
L. Lund, Tennessee
K. Thomas, Texas
J. Douglas, Virginia, Vice-Chair
S. Painter, West Virginia RN Board
M. Mayhew, West Virginia PN Board
C. LaBonde, Wyoming

Absent:
J. Busjahn, Utah
P. Johnson, Mississippi
S. Peterson, Montana (interim)
D. Williams, Wisconsin

Others:
D. Chapman, New Mexico
S. Delp, Colorado
N. Goldman, Kentucky
S. Joyner, Nebraska
R. Lewis, WV-RN
R. Masters, NLC Legal Counsel
A. Tiller, Virginia
D. Venditelli, Michigan
S. Willinger, Virginia
1. a) Call to Order (Tedford)
   Chair S. Tedford called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm

   b) Roll Call (Puente)
   24 members are present. Tedford declared a quorum present.

2. Consent Agenda - Meeting Minutes of Oct 5, 2017 (Tedford)
   L. Scheidt made a motion to adopt the consent agenda and K. Glazier seconded. The motion carried.

3. Legislative Update (Fotsch)
   o WI enacted in Dec 2017.
   o CO passed out of Senate and will be in House Finance Committee today.
   o NM: bill filed today and expected to pass by Jan 19.
   o RI: NCSBN has a lobbyist in RI and he is hopeful eNLC will be passed.
   o MI: a bill has been introduced.
   o MA: just hired a new lobbyist and we are implementing new strategies.
   o MN: planning to introduce this year.
   o Guam: has advocacy activities scheduled in Feb.
   o KS: will introduce in 2019.

   o APRN Compact: legislation introduced in NE and WV.

4. ENLC Legal Forum (Tedford)
   In Addition to what was Discussed at the Legal Forum, Are There any Additional Areas Where Rules may be Needed?

   Tedford summarized some of the comments shared at the Legal Forum.
   o Need more time to review rules before they become proposed.
   o Need revisions to rules website.
   o Chair asked for additional areas where rules may be needed.
   o S. Evans asked, what do we need to do to accommodate new states on board. May need to request that Rules Committee discuss transition rules since it will take large states time to fully implement and license their nurses.

   CO: S. Delp discussed that CO is waiting for FBI approval of CBC language. It is expected to be approved in Feb. CO will not be able to issue multistate licenses until CBCs are implemented.
This is a problem because non-grandfathered nurses issued an original NLC multistate license after July 20, 2017 cannot obtain an eNLC multistate and may have a need to work in other compact states. Delp requested assistance with a remedy.

5. eNLC Committees:

a. Training and Education Committee Report (Glazier)
K. Glazier called on the respective individuals responsible for projects to report on progress.

i. Leader to Leader for Nurse Executives (Alexander)
To be published in Feb. To be reviewed by EC and Training & Education Committee.

ii. Infographics (Kappel): Page 7, legend indicates “darkened” has negative connotation. Suggestion made to use “highlighted states.” D. Kappel was not present.

iii. Media Training (Kappel)
D. Kappel was not present.

iv. Logo (Puente)
Marketing Communications has commissioned a vendor to create potential logos for the Commission. The Executive Committee will review logo samples and suggest several to the Commission at the midyear meeting.

v. Repurposing of Resources / Training Webpage (Puente)
Puente reported that work is underway to repurpose many of the original NLC fact sheets and collateral materials which have not yet been converted to eNLC. Also, the eLearning work group has completed development of the Training Resources webpage which is now available at https://www.ncsbn.org/enlc-training.htm (as the page is for members only, login is required.) The webpage will be updated regularly as more resources become available.

vi. Employer Forums (Puente)
Puente reported that eNLC webinars for employers have been well attended with approx. 200 employers in attendance per weekly webinar. Puente will continue webinars throughout the legislative session twice monthly.

vii. Nursys Reports Training Webinars (Puente)
Puente reported that the first Nursys training took place on Jan 16, 2018 and it will be repeated on Jan 26 at 10am central. He was requested to resend the announcement email to states.

viii. eLearning Work Group (Spangler)
   o Training Course is now available online.
   o Training has been utilized well; 121 enrollments so far.
   o The course can be completed in multiple settings.
   o Some members reported making taking the course mandatory for their staff.
b. **Rules Committee Report** (Ridenour / Goldman)
Ridenour reported that the areas for proposed Tier 2 rules was shared at Legal Forum. The committee will meet on Jan 29-30, 2018. Ridenour requested that members comment on the areas that need more clarity. If members have any comments on existing rules that need clarification, members can send in comments.

c. **Operations Committee** (Puente)
Puente reported on an implementation checklist that states can utilize as a helpful tool. An easier to read version will be available in two weeks.

6. **Suggestions for Midyear Meeting Agenda (Tedford)**
Chair S. Tedford asked members for suggestions for the Commission midyear meeting agenda. None was offered at this time and a call for agenda items will be sent in February.

7. **Open Discussion (All)**
G. Damgaard reported that the SD governor chairs the Western Governors Association. He has worked with US Dept of Labor Secretary Acosta to develop the Interstate Compact for Temporary Licensure of Professionals. The bill will be introduced in SD in this session. The legislation requires the board to issue a temporary permit to licensed professional that apply within 30 days. The licensee can work for 18 months on said permit. No exception to the bill are being permitted. SD legislators had a briefing on the bill last week. There is significant opposition from non-healthcare professionals. There are inherent conflicts with other compacts, which put states in breach of their contract.

C. Moody made a motion to direct legal counsel R. Masters to draft a response to the proposed Temporary Licensure Compact legislation and P. Schenk seconded. Masters will deliver the response by Jan 26, 2018. The SD legislative session ends March 6, 2018.

With legal counsel now present, members continued discussion on the matter S. Delp of CO addressed under agenda item #4 earlier in the meeting.
P. Schenk motioned, as a matter of policy, the recognition of CO multistate licenses issued after July 20, 2017 shall be continued until April 19, 2018 at which time any such licensees who have not successfully met Article III (c) 6 of the eNLC, shall have their license converted to a single state license and S. Pfenning seconded. The motion carried.
Roll call vote:

**Yes**
1. S. Evans, ID
2. K. Weinberg, IA
3. P. Schenk, KY
4. A. Oertwich, NE
5. M. McDonald for J. George, NC
6. S. Pfenning, ND
7. C. Moody, SC
8. G. Damgaard, SD
9. E. Lund, TN
10. K. Thomas, TX
11. J. Douglas, VA

**No**
1. S. Tedford, AR
2. J. Cleghorn, GA
3. K. Esquibel, ME
4. K. Glazier, OK
5. R. Lewis for S. Painter, WV-RN
6. C. LaBonde, WY

**Adjourn**
The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm central.