eNLC Commission Midyear Meeting

Minutes

March 4, 2018
9:00 am Central- 1 pm Central

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

Commissioners Present:

S. Tedford, Arkansas, Chair
J. Ridenour, Arizona
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
P. Johnson, Mississippi
L. Scheidt, Missouri
G. Kohn for S. Peterson, Montana (interim)

A. Oertwich, Nebraska
D. Nies, New Hampshire
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
M. Mayhew, West Virginia PN Board
D. Williams, Wisconsin
C. LaBonde, Wyoming

Absent:

J. Busjahn, Utah
S. Painter, West Virginia RN Board
K. Evans, Maryland

Others:

N. Goldman, Kentucky
R. Masters, NLC Legal Counsel

Staff Present:

M. Alexander, Chief Officer, Nursing Regulation
R. Fotsch, Associate Director, Legislative Affairs and State Advocacy
D. Kappel, Director, Marketing Communications
J. Puente, Director, NLC, NCSBN
N. Rajwany, CIO, NCSBN
E. Vice, Director, Government Affairs
1. a) Call to Order  
Chair S. Tedford called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.

b) Roll Call  
27 states are represented. Tedford declared a quorum present.

2. Minutes of Jan 16, 2018 Meeting  
J. George made a motion to approve the minutes as written and D. Nies seconded. The motion carried.

3. a) Legislative Updates  
R. Fotsch provided the legislative update:
- CO: very quickly passed ENLC and enacted before January 19 deadline.
- NM: enacted before January 19 deadline also.
- IL: Bill pending; passed in Senate; we have a lobbyist helping to get it passed in the House.
- IN: NLC was amended out of bill and sent to a study committee. Louisville Chamber of Commerce supporting the bill. R. Fotsch presented to INA, which is supportive.
- KS: Bill passed out of House and assigned to senate committee, moving quickly.
- LA: Filed bill on March 2. LA has a large nursing coalition supporting the legislation.
- MI: Blue Cross Blue Shield was instrumental in getting bill introduced. ANA-MI is supportive. Legislative session is year-long. There is no known opposition.
- MN: ENLC and APRN compact filed on March 2; would be second state with APRN compact bill. Union opposition in MN. Large hospital systems are supportive.
- NJ: Filed four bills, 2 in house and 2 in senate, involved old compact bill and new compact bill in house and same in the senate. Working with NJ Nurses Association, which is supportive.
- NY: Filed bill; filed ENLC with medical compact. Waiting on additional information.
- RI: Filed bill; switched lobbyists but not enough of Rhode Island coalition to make a difference. Bill pending.
- VT: Filed bill, Board of Nursing has APRN issues and no time to make aggressive push until 2019. Requested that legislator refile in 2019.

- APRN Compact:
  - Until recently NE only state with compact that filed. Bill was sent for committee hearing where it remained. Senator Blood is a strong supporter of compacts.

b) Advocacy Activity Updates  
Activities were included in the update above.

c) APRN Compact and Strategy for AMA/ASA  
M. Alexander provided this update.
FL, MS, NC, TN have APRN commercials and we also have developed a national website, nursingamerica.org which includes information on all efforts related to APRN.
APRN media campaign is being rolled out further; a big part of getting legislature’s attention is spreading awareness.

4. a) Temporary License Compact Update
G. Damgaard provided a synopsis of the compact.
AZ: Bill was introduced and went before Senate Finance committee; many questions regarding bill and was told to correct what needs to be corrected and to come back next year. Bill not dead yet.
MO: Bill has not been voted on by committee yet.
ND: Legislative session starting in 2019; this is being monitored for the moment and more to come.
NH: Lots of legislation related to workforce; there is a senate bill about temporary license that will most likely pass.
Masters expressed concerns with this compact due to potential conflicts with NLC.

b) Status of Other Healthcare Compacts
R. Masters provided this update.
Medical compact: 22 compact states and pending legislation in eight states.
PT Compact: 15 states are members; it has been introduced in eight additional states.
EMS Compact: 12 states have enacted; it is pending in five states.
Psychology compact: enacted in three states and introduced in 5 states.

5. Treasurer’s Report
P. Schenk provided a report detailing the financial activity YTD. She also presented the proposed FY18 Commission budget for adoption.
K. Weinberg made a motion to adopt the FY 2018 Budget as presented and J. Douglas seconded. The motion carried.

6. Rules Committee Report
a) Recommendations of Rules Committee to Commission
Ridenour reported that Rules Committee met in late February 2018 to review comments from several sources. N. Goldman commented on 17 recommendations made to the Commission. The Rules Committee is requesting comments and questions. The committee will meet again on March 19, 2018.
Ridenour commented that members can provide comments on areas that need to be changed or need more clarity. A meeting to vote on publication of proposed rules is scheduled for May 1.

M. Alexander mentioned research data related to convictions that will be available in 2019. This is part of a 5 year study.

Members reviewed and discussed all 17 recommendations. All recommendations will move forward with the exception of Recommendation #7 re: proposed rule 403 (4) which is deferred for further study.
b) Rulemaking Timeline
March 19: Rules Committee meeting.
May 1: Members vote to publish proposed rules and amendments.
August 14: members vote on final rules.

7. Training and Education Committee Report
a) Training Resource Webpage
   o ENLC training resource webpage has been deployed.
   o This resource was developed for member states to use.
   o Resource was developed by NCSBN e-learning workgroup, headed by NCSBN staff Tammy Spangler.
   o The page is divided into 4 specific sections (ENLC overview, Legal Issues and Investigations, Nursys & ENLC, Communicating to Constituents) with each section further defined with learning objectives, subtopics, and training opportunities to support learning objectives in each area.

b) eLearning Legal and Rules Resource
   o This is the next resource being developed so that individuals can more easily connect the dots regarding various licensure activities.

c) Leader to Leader for CNOs
   o The Leader to Leader Special Edition issue received very positive responses.
   o This year Leader to Leader for educators went out to everyone. Now there is concern that sending to everyone might confuse states that already adopted.
   o Telephonic nursing is a focus.
   o The recommendation was made that since telephonic nursing is focus, further thought into how communication can be crafted so that all states may receive a version of Leader to Leader, rather than non-compact states only.

d) Media Training
   o Kappel reported that a brief conversation regarding media training was conducted and that there are several sources for different types of media training.
   o Goal is to create targeted training that would be of most assistance to ENLC Commissioners.
   o Feedback was requested so that Kappel could get better sense of type of training that would work best and types of issues to address.
   o Suggestions made: webinar format; training should include downloadable toolkit; crisis communication as topic; message development as topic; creating good media stories as topic- i.e. disaster relief, mental health issue.

8. Operations Committee Report
Puente reported that implementation checklist was developed which states can use. This helpful tool is available in a new fillable PDF format online. (See tab 8 of booklet). Puente indicated that Executive Committee will look at the next charge for the operations committee
during April meeting. Another tool that is needed is a self-assessment for compliance and has been suggested as the next project.

9. Committee Appointments
   • Election Committee (2)
     o Tedford reported that due to the fact that elections are coming up, an elections committee needs to be formed. Indicated there are usually two committee members on board and the job duty requires a time commitment of about 1 x per year with meetings held via teleconference. Tedford called for volunteers, who are indicated below:
       - Cynthia LaBonde, WY
       - Joe Baker, FL

   • Policy Committee (5)
     o Tedford indicated need for policy committee to review policies that are needed. Meetings are held via conference call and focus on reviewing policies on a scheduled basis. Called for volunteers, who are indicated below:
       - Libby Lund, TN
       - Sandy Evans, ID
       - Julie George, NC
       - Denise Nies, NH
       - Joe Baker, FL
       - Stacey Pfenning, ND

   • Compliance Committee (5)
     o Tedford indicated need for compliance committee, which oversees compliance with the compact and addresses non-compliance issues. Members of this committee will need some experience and familiarity with statutes and rules. Minimal meeting requirements are 4x per year via conference call; in event of large task 1 day face-to-face meeting is possibility. Meeting requirements to vary based on charge and compliance issues. Currently, this committee is accepting volunteers and executive committee will choose 5 individuals from the list of volunteers; choices will be made at Executive Committee meeting in April. Volunteer list below:
       - Jay Douglas, VA
       - Sam Delp, CO
       - Fred Knight, AR
       - Megan Hudson, ME
       - Jim Cleghorn, GA
       - James Peters, WY
       - Lori Scheidt, MO

10. Elections (Tedford/Puente)
    Positions with terms ending 9/30/2018:
    Vice-Chair
    Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE (VA) (Term ends September 30, 2018)
Treasurer
Paula Schenk, MPH, RN (KY) (Term ends September 30, 2018)

Member-at-Large
Kathy Weinberg, MSN, RN (IA) (Term ends September 30, 2018)

- Nomination process will be in August. Position descriptions and time commitments can be found in Attachment 10.

11. Commission Logo (Puente)
Puente reported that a vendor, contracted by Marketing Communications has created potential logos for the Commission. The Executive Committee has narrowed down to 3 logos, Attachment 11. Puente requested feedback from the Commission. Key feedback listed below:

- Commission would like to see renderings that do not include map.
- Some concern regarding the Est. 2000 date; indicated it may cause confusion.
- Some indicated preference for design B.
- Commission decided that logos need to go back to the drawing board; create renderings without map and without date; put more thought into color scheme.

12. Chair’s Report
a) Strategic Planning Update
Tedford indicated that Executive Committee will meet in April to work on the Strategic plan. The goal is to have the plan ready in April; direction is needed on how to move the organization forward.

b) Position Statement on Multistate/ Single State Model
Tedford indicated that there needs to be a deep-dive into issues that have been brought up. These need to be looked into before being brought back to the Commission at the April meeting.

13. Open Discussion (all)
There was no additional discussion at this time.

Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm central.