Consideration of Appointment of a New Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee Member

Summary of Request: Consider the nomination of Annette Jones, MSN, RN, CNM to serve as the practicing certified nurse midwife representative to the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee.

Historical Perspective: The purpose of the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee (APNAC) is to advise the Board on issues and regulations that have or may have an impact on advanced practice registered nurses [Rule 211.6(f)(1)(A)]. This committee reviews issues that may impact either advanced practice nursing education or practice. Members of the committee represent advanced practice nursing professional organizations and advanced practice nursing education for each of the four advanced practice roles as identified in Board Rule. Individuals are nominated by the organizations.

The Consortium of Texas Certified Nurse Midwives has requested replacement of their representative to fulfill the role of practicing certified nurse midwife on the APNAC. The previous practicing certified nurse midwife representative to the APNAC was Sister Deborah Fuchs, MSN, RN, CNM who has recently retired.

Ms. Annette Jones, MSN, RN, CNM, a graduate of Case Western Reserve University (1994), has been nominated to replace Sister Deborah Fuchs, MSN, RN, CNM who has recently retired. For the past 22 years Ms. Jones has practiced in the role of Certified Nurse Midwife. She currently holds the position of Certified Nurse Midwife with Peterson Women’s Associates, a hospital-based practice group in Kerrville, Texas.

Pros and Cons: Staff’s review of Ms. Jones’ biographical data indicates that she is qualified to serve as the practicing certified nurse midwife representative. No cons are noted at this time.

Staff Recommendation: Move to accept and approve the nomination of Annette Jones, MSN, RN, CNM to represent the practicing certified nurse midwife on the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee.