Summary of Request: Consider the report of the April 29, 2008 and June 19, 2008 meetings of the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee (APNAC). Minutes from the November 5, 2007 meeting are attached for the Board's consideration.

Meeting Report: Minutes of the February 2008 (Attachment A) and April 2008 (Attachment B) meetings of the APNAC are provided for the Board’s consideration. Written and verbal reports regarding the February meeting were provided to Board members at the April 2008 Board meeting and will not be provided again as part of this report.

The APNAC met on April 29, 2008 and June 19, 2008 to continue work on its charge from the Board to review Rule 221. The discussion continued to focus on consideration of the requirements for authorization to practice as an advanced practice nurse that are found in Rules 221.4 – 221.6. At the committee’s request, staff prepared draft rule language that proposes to eliminate provisional authorization and extend interim approval to 120 days. This language will be presented for the Board’s consideration as a separate agenda item during this meeting.

Pros and Cons: None

Staff Recommendation: This report is for information purposes only. No action is required.
ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
AUSTIN, TEXAS

MINUTES
Tuesday, February 5, 2008
9:08 am – 2:50 pm
333 Guadalupe, Tower I, Suite 1264
Austin, Texas

Members Present
Jim Walker, MS, CRNA, Chair
Pam Brown-Stewart, RN, FNP
Mary Brucker, PhD, RN, CNM
Sister Deborah Fuchs, MSN, RN, CNM
Stanley Harmon, RN, MSN, FNP
Linda Harrington, PhD, RN, CNS-AH
Gayle Varnell, PhD, RN, CPNP
Lynda Woolbert, MSN, RN, CPNP
Glenn Alexander, RN, CPNP

Organization/Representation
CRNA Education
Texas Nurse Practitioners
Nurse-Midwifery Education
CTCNM
Texas Nurses Association
Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists
Graduate NP Education
CNAP
Consultant to Committee

Absent
Kathy Baldwin, PhD, RN, ANP, GNP, CNS-MS
Kenneth Massie, MBA, MSN, RN, CNAA, BC
Carolyn Sutton, MSN, RN, WHNP
Deborah Antai-Otong, RN, MS, CNS-PMH, PMHNP, CS
Susan Willis, CRNA

CNS Education
TONE
Certificate Level Education
Consultant to Committee
Texas Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Guests
Leslie Archibald, RN
Joe Don Cavender, RN, PNP
Emily Eastin
Charley Elliott
Judy Le Flore, RN, NNP
Jim Willmann, JD

Board Members and Staff
Linda R. Rounds, PhD, RN, FNP
*Katherine Thomas, MN, RN
*Mary Beth Thomas, PhD, RN
Jolene Zych, MS, RNC, WHNP
Sarah Svec
Janice Hooper, PhD, RN

HCHD, UT-Houston
Children’s Medical Center, Dallas
ED, Texas Nurse Practitioners
TCH – Houston
UT – Arlington
Texas Nurses Association

Board member, Liaison to Committee
Executive Director
Director of Nursing Education and Practice
Nursing Consultant for Advanced Practice
Administrative Assistant for Advanced Practice
Nursing Consultant for Education

*Present for portions of the meeting

Recorded by Janice Hooper
Approval Date: 4/29/08
I. CALL TO ORDER  
The meeting was called to order at 9:08 am by Chairperson J Walker. Members and other attendees introduced themselves. A quorum was established.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 11/05/07 MEETING  
The following corrections were made to the Minutes for 11/05/07 meeting:  
Delete “Chair” after Linda Rounds’ name.

Sister D. Fuchs moved to accept minutes as revised. G. Varnell seconded and motion passed.

III. ADVANCED PRACTICE AND BOARD OF NURSING ISSUES: UPDATE AND DISCUSSION  
A. 01/08 Board Meeting – revised Rule 219 now effective.  
B. Joint Dialogue Group – paper ready for publication. Proposes regulation at the role and population focus level - KT  
C. Discussion between TMA and CNAP – Practice of Nursing vs Practice of Medicine - JW  
D. Changes to TPAPN Rules – third party referrals being implemented  
E. Certification Audit – has not been implemented - JZ

IV. OLD BUSINESS  
A. Collaboration with Podiatrists – J. Zych has begun a dialogue with Hemant Makan, Executive Director of the Podiatry Board, regarding necessary rules whereby CRNAs and NPs could work with podiatrists.

J. Zych to prepare draft language for revised Rule 221.4, 221.5, and 221.6, and will forward draft document to committee for review.
**V. FUTURE MEETING DATES**  
The next meeting will be held April 29, 2008 from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**  
The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM.

**Handouts:**

Mailed prior to Meeting (by email):
- Agenda for February 5, 2008
- 11/05/2007 APNAC Minutes
- Staff’s Proposed Revisions to Rules 221.4 – 221.6
- Model NPA and Rules from NCSBN
ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
AUSTIN, TEXAS

MINUTES
Tuesday, April 29, 2008
9:45 am - 3:40 pm
333 Guadalupe, Tower II, Suite 225
Austin, Texas

Members Present
Glenn Alexander, RN, CPNP
Kathy Baldwin, PhD, RN, ANP, GNP, CNS-MS
Pam Brown-Stewart, RN, FNP
Sister Deborah Fuchs, MSN, RN, CNM
Linda Harrington, PhD, RN, CNS-AH
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Guests
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Joan Ross
Charley Elliott
Judy LeFlore
Joe Don Cavender

Guests
North Carolina Board of Nursing
CNAP
Texas Children’s Hospital
University of Texas at Arlington
Children’s Medical Center of Dallas

*Present for portions of the meeting

Recorded by Sarah Svec
Approval Date: 6/19/08
I. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 9:45 am by Chairperson J. Walker. Members and other attendees introduced themselves. A quorum was established.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 2/5/08 MEETING
The following corrections were made to the minutes for the 2/5/08 meeting: remove Phyllis Gordon from the list of members

Sr. D. Fuchs move to accept the minutes as revised. G. Varnell seconded and motion passed.

III. UPDATE ON ADVANCED PRACTICE ISSUES

A. Texas Department of Public Safety Meeting
J. Zych reported that she attended a recent meeting of this legislatively mandated group. DPS group is discussing making changes to controlled substances reporting.

B. Update on national issues regarding DNP
L. Rounds reported that there was discussion at a recent NONPF meeting regarding the DNP. A handout was provided and questions ensued about the certification exam referenced in the article.

L. Harrington requested to invite Dr. Patricia Starck to the next APNAC meeting. J. Walker to contact Dr. Starck.

C. Mid America School for Nurse Practitioners
K. Thomas and J. Zych advised committee members that this program is marketing nursing education at the RN and FNP level to chiropractors. Mid America has a relationship with the Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing and Hardin Simmons University to offer the content.

D. Update on other state and national issues
K. Thomas reported that the Joint Dialogue Group is in the process of developing a model that will allow for greater uniformity in education, accreditation, licensure, and certification of advanced practice nurses at the national level.

J. Zych provided an update on the April Board meeting. Board staff are working on the
blueprint for the Jurisprudence exam that will go into effect by September 1, 2008. There are changes to the Peer Review and Safe Harbor rules. These rule changes will be published in May 2008. Finally, the Board approved a disciplinary matrix pilot that will be used for enforcement decisions.

J. Zych reported about a meeting held by the Department of State Health Services related to licensing abortion facilities and the use of moderate sedation by LVNs.

L. Woolbert and J. Walker reported that meetings with medicine are ongoing with regard to the 2009 Session and communications regarding APN practice.

IV. OLD BUSINESS
A. Collaboration with podiatrists
J. Zych provided an update on a meeting with Hemant Makan and Dr. Bruce Scudday about the ongoing discussion regarding CRNAs and NPs working with podiatrists.

B. Rule Review for Rule 221
No discussion

C. Considering of Potential Changes to Rules
Committee discussed revisions to Rule 221.

V. FUTURE MEETING DATES
The next meeting will be held June 19 from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

VI. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Handouts:
April 2, 2008 Wall Street Journal article titled “Making room for ‘Dr. Nurse’”

Mailed prior to meeting (by email):
- Agenda for 4/28/08 meeting
- Minutes from 2/5/08 APNAC meeting
- Proposed working draft revisions to Rules 221.4-221.6
Summary Of Charges

Charge 1: At the January 2002 meeting, the Board charged the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee with reviewing all national certification examinations currently recognized by the Board, beginning with the AOCN (oncology) examination using Board approved criteria. The committee will present a recommendation to the Board indicating whether it believes the Board should continue to recognize each exam.

Charge 2: At the April 2003 meeting, the Board charged the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee with reviewing examinations approved for specific specialty areas to determine their appropriateness for that specialty area and providing recommendations to the Board regarding approved examinations for each recognized role and specialty.

Charge 3: At the April 2003 meeting, the Board charged the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee with reviewing scope of practice information relevant to the specialty areas and providing a recommendation to the Board regarding recognition of specific scope of practice statements.

Charge 4: At the April 2003 meeting, the Board charged the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee with exploring various mechanisms for advanced practice nurses to expand their scopes of practice within their designated specialty areas. The committee shall present a review of their work and make a recommendation on the acceptability of any of these mechanisms for the Board’s consideration.