

Consideration of Appointment of New Members to the Task Force to Study Implications of the Growth of Texas Nursing Education Programs

Summary of Request:

Consider staff recommendation regarding nominations for new committee members for the Task Force to Study Implications of the Growth of Texas Nursing Education Programs.

Historical Perspective:

At the October 2011 Board meeting, the Board moved to establish a task force, comprised of members representing nursing practice and education constituents, to study the implications of the growth of Texas nursing education programs. Staff issued a call for participation and solicited representation from:

- Vocational Nursing Education
- Associate Degree Nursing Education
- Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Education
- Career Schools and Colleges
- Nursing Practice
- Workforce Centers
- The Texas Workforce Commission
- The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- The Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies
- The Texas Association of Vocational Nurse Educators
- The Texas Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
- The Texas Organization of Baccalaureate and Graduate Educators

The Board approved a slate of members at the January 2012 meeting who served during the 2012 meetings. The committee also invited other individuals to join the discussions to take advantage of their knowledge and expertise.

The Task Force received new charges from the Board at the October 2013 Board meeting and have begun the work for 2013-2014. All previously approved Task Force members were not available to continue serving on the Task Force. Current members able to continue are listed:

Chair

Patricia Yoder-Wise, RN, EdD, NEA-BC, ANEF, FAAN

Board Liaison

Mary LeBeck, MSN, RN

Members

- Vangie DeLeon, PhD, RN – Associate Degree Nursing Education
- Cheryl Livengood, MSN, RN - Associate Degree Nursing Education
- Gail Acuna, RN, MA - Nursing Practice
- Chris Fowler - Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- Betty Sims, MSN, RN - Texas Association of Vocational Nurse Educators
- Deborah Yancey, MSN, RN - Texas Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
- Betty Adams, PhD, RN - Texas Organization of Baccalaureate and Graduate Educator
- Sally Harper Williams, BA - Workforce

To fill vacant positions and broaden the expertise on the Task Force, Board Staff recommend the appointment of members who either replace previous members or add new members nominated from the constituent groups or were added last year based upon their experience and expertise.

Staff Recommendation:

Move to accept and approve the following nominations for membership in the Task Force:

- Mary E. Mancini, PhD, RN, NE-BC, FAHA, ANEF, FAAN – Texas Team/BSN Education
- Jennifer Gray, PhD, RN – BSN Education, Alternate for Mary E. Mancini
- Rebecca Zielinski, RN – Career Schools and Colleges
- Steve Rye – The Texas Workforce Center
- Pam Lauer, MPH – The Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies
- Cindy Zolnierek, PhD, RN – Texas Nurses Association
- Shellie Withrow, MSN, RN – Vocational Nursing Education
- Dayna Davidson, MSN, RN – Associate Degree Nursing Education
- Cole Edmonson, DNP, RN, FACHE, NEA-BC – Nursing Practice
- Jessica Ruiz, MSN, RN – Nursing Practice
- Maureen Polivka, JD, RN – Nursing Practice