Consideration of Appointment of New Members to the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee

Summary of Request: Consider the nomination of Michael Hazel, DNP, RN, FNP to serve as the representative for Texas Nurse Practitioners and Irene Gilliland, PhD, RN, CNS-MS to serve as the representative for Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists 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 Texas Nurse Practitioners (TNP) has requested replacement of their representative to fulfill the role of TNP Representative on the APNAC. The previous TNP representative to the APNAC was Lara Boyett, DNP, RN, ACNP, FNP who has recently retired from the committee.

Dr. Michael Hazel, DNP, RN, FNP, a graduate of the University of Texas San Antonio with a Master of Science in Nursing (2001) and Texas Tech University with a Doctor Nursing Practice (2010), has been nominated to replace Dr. Boyett. For the past 14 years Dr. Hazel has practiced in the role of Family Nurse Practitioner. He currently holds the position of Nurse Practitioner with St. Joseph Regional Health Center Emergency Room in Bryan, Texas, as well as part-time Clinical Assistant Professor in the Family Nurse Practitioner Program at Texas A&M Health Sciences Center in Bryan, Texas.

The Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists (TX CNS) has requested replacement of their representative to fulfill the role of TX CNS representative on the APNAC. The previous TX CNS representative to the APNAC was Kathy Baldwin, PhD, RN, ACNS, AGPCNP, FAAN who has recently retired.

Dr. Irene Gilliland, PhD, RN, CNS-MS, a graduate of the University of Virginia with a Master of Science in Nursing (1986), the University of the Incarnate Word with a post- Master's certificate (1993) and the University of Texas at Tyler with a Doctor of Philosophy (2011), has been nominated to replace Dr. Baldwin. For the past 22 years Dr. Gilliland has functioned in the role of Clinical Nurse Specialist in the state of Texas. She currently holds the position of Clinical Nurse Specialist Faculty with the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas, as well as Hospice Case Manager in San Antonio, Texas.

Pros and Cons: Staff's review of both Dr. Hazel's and Dr. Gilliland's biographical data indicates that they are both qualified to serve as representatives for their respective organizations to the APNAC. No cons are noted at this time.

Staff Recommendation: Move to accept and approve the nominations of Michael Hazel, DNP, RN, FNP to represent Texas Nurse Practitioners and Irene Gilliland, PhD, RN, CNS-MS to represent Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists on the Advanced Practice Nursing Advisory Committee.