



MINUTES
NLC Commission Midyear Meeting
March 8, 2021

1. P. Benson, Alabama
2. S. Tedford, Arkansas
3. J. Ridenour, Arizona
4. L. Bravo, designee for L. Bratten, Colorado
5. P. Zickafoose, Delaware (Member-at-Large)
6. J. Baker, Florida (Member-at-Large)
7. Z. Delgado, Georgia
8. R. Barron, Idaho
9. A. Servies, Indiana
10. K. Weinberg, Iowa
11. C. Mooreland, Kansas
12. J. Estes, Kentucky
13. L. Ansardi, Louisiana PN
14. K. Esquibel, Maine
15. K. Evans, Maryland
16. P. Johnson, Mississippi
17. L. Scheidt, Missouri
18. M. Poortenga, Montana (Member-at-Large)
19. A. Oertwich, Nebraska (Treasurer)
20. A. Czechowicz, New Hampshire
21. J. Leone, New Jersey
22. S. Poole, New Mexico
23. C. Tillman, North Carolina
24. S. Pfenning, North Dakota, (Vice-Chair)
25. J. Ward designee for K. Glazier, Oklahoma, (Chair)
26. C. Moody, South Carolina (Member-at-Large)
27. L. Young, South Dakota
28. S. Richardson, (interim) Tennessee
29. K. Thomas, Texas
30. J. Busjahn, Utah
31. J. Douglas, Virginia
32. S. Painter, West Virginia -RN
33. J. Edelstein, designee for P. Kallio, Wisconsin
34. C. Labonde, Wyoming

#	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1.	a) Call to Order b) Commissioner Roll Call c) Declare Quorum Present d) Welcome New NLC Commissioners e) Welcome NCSBN Staff, NCSBN Board of Directors and Guests f) Adopt Meeting Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice-chair S. Pfenning called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm CT. M. Bieniek did the roll call of Commissioners. All jurisdictions were represented. Pfenning declared a quorum present. 	P. Benson moved to adopt the agenda as presented and A. Oertwich seconded. The motion carried.
2.	Minutes of January 5, 2021		K. Evans moved to adopt the meeting minutes of Jan 5, 2021 as presented and M. Poortenga seconded. The motion carried.
3.	Legislative Updates	NCSBN staff R. Fotsch provided the NLC legislative update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alaska: The NLC bill was heard in its first committee. The bill is sponsored by the governor's office. California: a bill was introduced. The sponsor is building a coalition. Guam: NLC was enacted on March 5, 2021. Illinois: A bill was introduced. There is union opposition. Massachusetts: A non-partisan research group will issue a report on the impact of NLC on Massachusetts. Michigan: NLC was passed in 2020 but vetoed by the 	

		<p>governor. The bill was filed again in 2021. Lobbyists are trying to get bipartisan support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nevada: There are no committee hearings yet. The coalition is addressing concerns from the nurse union. • Ohio: The bill has made a lot of progress; it passed the senate. • Oregon: Staff has been educating stakeholders. There is opposition from the nurse union. • Pennsylvania: Still waiting for bill introduction. • Rhode Island: No activity yet on the bill that was introduced. • Vermont: Bill has been filed. • Washington: The bill has failed. A committee work session will highlight the benefits of the NLC. <p><u>APRN Compact:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is the first session it has been introduced. • North Dakota: The bill passed and is headed to the governor's office. • Delaware: a bill has passed out of the first committee. There is significant support from many nursing organizations. 	
4.	Treasurer's Report	<p>A. Oertwich provided the treasurer's report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NCSBN-funded NLC budget is under budget. • The cash balance of the Commission fund was also provided. 	
5.	Rules Committee Report	<p>B. Thompson-May provided the Rules Committee update.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Regulatory FAQs Update b) Rulemaking Handbook Update c) Updates to Adverse Action Flowchart 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitzhugh joined the committee as a member. <p>Committee work includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The legal FAQs are now known as “Regulatory FAQs”. FAQs have been reorganized and have been reviewed by members and feedback has been considered. The response rate to the feedback survey was nearly 70%. • Adverse Action Flowchart: Suggested revisions from members have been implemented. • Rulemaking handbook: The committee will provide a session to debut the handbook at the NLC Conference in May 2021. 	
6.	Policy Committee Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee chair P. Zickafoose provided the report. • Future policies include Policy 4.5 related to Discipline and 1.3 related to Legal Counsel as well as a Nurse Alert policy. • The committee members will present information at the NLC Conference in May 2021. • There are now 15 policies. The policy manual is a work in progress. 	
7.	<p>Compliance Committee Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Party State Compliance Self-Assessment b) Risk-Assessment Survey Update 	<p>Committee chair L. Scheidt provided the committee report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee has had 4 meetings in this fiscal year. • Scheidt reviewed the committee charges. • The committee refined the self-assessment and eliminated redundancies. The tool now includes a column for Methodology 	<p>P. Benson moved to adopt the self-assessment as amended and J. Ridenour seconded. The motion carried.</p>

		<p>and Evidence (to show how you would validate the methodology).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee's next focus will be on a risk assessment. Commissioners will be asked to complete a risk assessment survey. This will enable the committee to arrive at the compliance items which fall into a high-high category in terms of level of risk to the integrity of the commission or to patient safety. Members made a comment regarding #25. Add a citation for authority to turn on the nurse alert. 	
8.	Training and Education Committee Report	<p>Committee chair A. Oertwich provided the report. Work of the Committee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact in action stories Tip of the week FY20 Annual report Compact corner Travel nurse video and interactive fact sheet Crossword puzzles Public webinars BON Training sessions <p>Future work includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Military video Commissioner orientation manual About the NLC template article to include in publications 	
9.	Election Committee Report	<p>Committee co-chair Dr. Sasha Poole provided the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chair position and two members-at-large will be vacated Sept 30, 2021. Nominations will be accepted in August 2021. 	

10.	Research Committee Report	<p>Committee chair Tammy Buchholz provided the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee commenced work Oct 1, 2020 and will hold its fourth meeting March 24. • The members have been collaborating with NCSBN Research staff. • Committee brainstormed the research needs of the NLC. • Members reviewed the past research that was done related to NLC by NCSBN. 	
11.	Virtual NLC Conference Update	<p>Staff J. Puente and M. Bieniek reported on the NLC Virtual Conference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It will take place over seven weeks in May and June 2021. • Members will present content and develop interactive activities. • A Save the Date will be sent in March 2021. • Registration will open in early April 2021. 	
12.	NLC Marketing Plan Update	<p>NCSBN staff D. Kappel provided an update related to the NLC marketing plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media followers have increased. • There was a paid ad in the NCSL publication and CSG publication. Engagement rates will be reviewed. • A new Instagram page has been created. 	
13.	Open Discussion Forum	<p>There was no additional discussion at this time.</p>	

14.	Executive Session: (Closed) Pursuant to Article VII (b)(5)(iii)(iv)		<p>C. LaBonde moved to enter into executive session at 2:25 pm and J. Baker seconded. The motion carried.</p> <p>C. Tillman moved to leave executive session at 3:45 pm and C. LaBonde seconded. The motion carried.</p> <p>J. Baker moved to approve the BON NOTE and related work pending further discussion by the EO group on March 9, 2021 and S. Tedford seconded.</p>
	ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.	