



AGENDA
Annual Meeting of the
NLC Commission
August 15, 2023
1:00 pm CT

Commissioners Present:

(Those not present are bolded.)

1. P. Benson, AL
2. J. Ridenour, AZ
3. S. Tedford, AR
4. N. Brown, CO (Virtual)
5. P. Zickafoose, DE
6. J. Baker, FL
7. T. Taylor, GA (Virtual)
8. Z. Pecina, GU
9. N. Chopski, ID
10. N. Hart, IN
11. **K. Weinberg, IA**
12. C. Moreland, KS
13. K. Jenkins, KY
14. K. Lyon, LA
15. K. Esquibel, ME
16. R. Scott, MD
17. P. Johnson, MS
18. L. Scheidt, MO
19. M. Poortenga, MT
20. A. Oertwich, NE
21. A. Czechowicz, NH (Virtual)
22. M. Fortier, NJ
23. S. Ferguson, NM (D. Gerencer, designee)
24. C. Tillman, NC
25. S. Pfenning, ND
26. M. Anielski, OH
27. J. Barnhouse, OK
28. W. Miller, PA (Virtual)
29. L. D'Alessio, RI
30. C. Moody, SC
31. L. Young, SD
32. S. Richardson, TN
33. K. Thomas, TX
34. J. Busjahn, UT (Virtual)
35. J. Douglas, VA
36. C. Vanterpool-Romney, VI
37. S. Boni, VT

- 38. A. Bradywood, WA
- 39. M. Chapman, WV (L. Schiltz, designee)
- 40. R. Weinman, WI (Virtual)
- 41. R Settles, WY (B. Goude, designee)

#	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
	BUSINESS AGENDA		
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Call to Order b) Commissioner Roll Call c) Declare Quorum Present d) Welcome New NLC Commissioners, Alison Bradywood (WA), Rhonda Scott (Acting-MD), Lynda D’Alessio (RI), Rachael Settles (WY) e) Welcome NCSBN Staff, NCSBN Board of Directors and Guests f) Adopt Business Agenda 	<p>Chair P. Zickafoose called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm CT.</p> <p>There were 40 commissioners in attendance. P. Zickafoose declared a quorum present.</p> <p>P. Zickafoose welcomed four new commissioners.</p>	<p>P. Benson made a motion to adopt the business agenda as presented, K. Thomas seconded. The motion carried.</p>
2.	Minutes of June 13, 2023	<p>Members reviewed the June 13 minutes. S. Boni asked that for agenda item #8 (Open Discussion) to delete “NCSBN staff” and insert “NLC staff.”</p>	<p>K. Lyon made a motion to approve the June 13 minutes as corrected, C. Tillman seconded. The motion carried.</p>
3.	State Affairs Update	<p>N. Livanos provided the State Affairs Update.</p> <p>NLC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been 11 bill introductions this session, with two enactments in Washington State and in Rhode Island. • DC: a resolution was introduced in July with six co-sponsors. • NV: there is a legislative committee attempting to move the NLC forward in the legislature. • HI: created a study committee charged with producing a report and recommendations before 	

		<p>the next session. The State Affairs team presented virtually to this group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RI: a report was introduced in early June, and the State Affairs team presented in person. The final report to the state’s legislature resulted in the adoption of the NLC.• The NCSBN marketing department created new tools for advocacy, including grassroots ads playing on social media, and targeted ads used in Nevada and Rhode Island to prompt nurses to send letters to their lawmakers.• AK: this was the state’s first year to introduce the NLC in the state House. The next legislative session begins in January 2024.• NY: there was testimony on the NLC this year. The governor included the NLC in the state budget.• OR: the NLC bill had a house committee hearing. There was a motion to advance the bill out of committee and place on the floor for a vote; the bill failed by one vote. There is strong bipartisan support.• MN: legislators are focused on the staffing ratio bill. The NLC will have more opportunities in the state during the next legislative session.• MA: their legislature is still in session, and State Affairs is continuing coalition work. Hearings will begin in January 2024. <p>APRN: There were seven introductions of</p>	
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		<p>the compact; three of those states passed one chamber (AZ, MD, MT). State Affairs continues to partner with NCSBN Research to distribute a survey to NCSBN licensees. Nurses are being asked if they are interested in the multistate license and cross-border practice. Endorsements were received from NAON, the Maryland Nurse Association, and the Arizona Association of Nurse Anesthesiology. For 2024, efforts will focus on building on the lessons learned from 2023 - assisting with Hawaii's workgroup, and assess policy environments across remaining NLC states and APRN target states. State Affairs is seeking letters from BONs that explain how the NLC has been beneficial to the state.</p>	
4.	Federal Affairs Update	<p>J. Cleghorn provided the Federal Affairs update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SHARE Act was introduced by Rep. Mann of KS. The act creates a technical amendment for the FBI. We are working with others who have agreed to support the bill or be a co-sponsor. • The Veterans Auto and Education Improvement Act of 2022 would recognize the license of a military serviceperson and spouse if certain criteria are met. State Affairs met with the Departments of Labor and Defense regarding who is responsible for the bill's implementation. The Department of Justice stated they are not an interpretive agency and are looking at NCSBN and other member organizations to help members determine the best practices to 	

		implement this bill. The Justice Department will provide information through the National Association of Attorney Generals.	
5.	Treasurer's Report	<p>J. Baker gave the Treasurer's report. The starting cash balance for the 2023 fiscal year was \$967,000. The cash balance as of 5/31/23 was \$957,653.38.</p> <p>The NLC annual dues deadline is October 1.</p> <p>A member asked if the commissioners can receive the NCSBN-funded NLC financial report. J. Puente replied that this information usually is provided at NLC Executive Committee meetings, and the request will be considered.</p>	
6.	<p>Rules Committee Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voting on Proposed Rule Amendments and Effective Date 	<p>A. Henley gave a synopsis of the proposed rules timeline. At the NLC Midyear Meeting the Rules Committee proposed amendments to rules. The commissioners offered feedback and a six-week comment period and a June public hearing were held. The committee reviewed comments received and recommended to the Commission to not move forward with two proposed rules (201.5 and 410). There were no questions or discussion on the proposed rules amendments.</p>	<p>K. Esquibel made a motion to approve the proposed rules, P. Johnson seconded. The motion passed.</p> <p>A. Henley asked the Commission to vote on the proposed effective date of 1/2/24. K. Lyon made a motion to approve, S. Tedford seconded. The motion carried.</p>
7.	<p>Policy Committee Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.6 – Conflict of Interest 1.7 – Records Retention 	<p>M. Poortenga presented the Policy Committee report and reviewed revisions for policy 1.6. There were no questions or discussions.</p> <p>M. Poortenga reviewed the revisions for policy 1.7. There were no questions or discussions.</p> <p>S. Boni made the suggestion to</p>	<p>C. Tillman made a motion to approve policy 1.6, A. Oertwich seconded. There was one opposed (virtual). The motion carried.</p> <p>J. Baker made a motion to approve policy 1.7 as amended, K. Thomas seconded. The motion</p>

		change the font color on the table within the policy.	carried.
8.	Training and Education Committee Report	<p>A. Oertwich presented the Training and Education report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a toolkit in progress where nurses can obtain continuing education credit. The release date is TBD. • A commissioner handbook will be published in the next 1-2 months. • The committee reviewed and amended several NLC publications. • The NLC has held nine webinars so far in FY 2023. • There have been two Compact Corner e-newsletters in 2023, and the Tip of the Week is published on Wednesdays and Fridays. • The next NLC Operations Network meeting is September 13. • If attendees have suggestions for educational tools they should contact the committee chair. 	
9.	Compliance Committee Report	<p>L. Scheidt presented the Compliance Committee report.</p> <p>The committee held four 90-minute focus sessions on the compliance self-assessment tool in spring 2023. Twenty-nine out of 40 commissioners and 89 board staff attended a session. If attendees have completed the tool, they were asked to inform the committee. A focus session recording is listed on Hive. The tool will be available at the NLC exhibit booth during the NCSBN Annual Meeting.</p>	
10.	Research Committee Report	<p>T. Buchholz presented the Research Committee report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee has held four meetings since March and held 	

		<p>discussions with external academic research partners. The partners' options are to 1) apply for a CRE grant, for which staff explained the grant process and October 2023 timeline; and 2) have access to restricted NCSBN data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been ongoing discussions to develop a repository to house all research pertinent to NLC. There are plans to meet with NCSBN staff on this topic. 	
11.	<p>Elections Committee Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominations accepted for Executive Committee vacancies 	<p>C. Tillman welcomed the new NLC Elections Committee Co-Chair Kelly Jenkins.</p> <p>She announced the three Executive Committee vacancies, and that a call for nominations began August 11 and will continue until August 31.</p> <p>There were no nominations from attendees during this meeting.</p>	
12.	FY24 Commission Meeting Schedule	P. Zickafoose asked the Commission to approve the proposed FY24 Commission meeting schedule.	L. Scheidt made a motion to approve the FY24 meeting schedule, J. Douglas seconded. The motion passed.
13.	<p>Recognition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori Hart, (WY) Committee Chair Farewell • Kathy Thomas, (TX) Retirement 	<p>P. Zickafoose announced that Lori Hart, NLC commissioner and former Wyoming executive officer, left her position in July. An award was sent to Dr. Hart last month.</p> <p>Kathy Thomas, NLC commissioner and Texas executive officer, will retire in August 2023. P. Zickafoose presented K. Thomas with an award.</p>	
14.	Member Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K. Thomas announced that Kristin Benton will be her successor as Texas executive 	

		<p>officer and commissioner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> J. Baker announced that N. Benson is leaving the Florida Board of Nursing. 	
15.	Open Discussion Forum	R. Prusak, executive officer of Oregon, asked if there is data to support questions around the workforce. L. Scheidt commented that Missouri has workforce data on 97% of nurses, including those having privilege to practice.	
16.	Online Meeting Evaluation	L. Sands sent the link to the meeting evaluation to the Commission.	
	ADJOURNMENT		K. Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, M. Anielski seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm CT.
	REFERENCE DOCUMENTS		
	Statutes		
	Bylaws		
	Policy Manual		
	Strategic Plan		
	Current NLC Map		
	Commissioner Roster		
	Committee Roster		
	Organizational Chart		