

**Minnesota Board of Nursing
Education Committee Minutes**

February 5, 2026

TEAMS Meeting

1210 Northland Avenue #120

Mendota Heights, MN 55120

Members Present: Jessica Miehe, Rhonda Johnson (virtual), Tracy Sonterre-Rieger, and Sandra Anderson

Staff Present: Deb Schuhmacher, JaCinda Downs, and Melissa Wolfe (virtual)

Call to order: Tracy Sonterre-Rieger at 12:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Jessica Miehe and seconded by Sandra Anderson. All approved.

Motion passed

Approval of Minutes

Approval of January 16, 2026, meeting minutes: Motion by Tracy Sonterre-Rieger and seconded by Rhonda Johnson. All approved.

Motion passed

CNEE Workforce Summit

- Board survey results with 65 responses
- Clinical competition
- Faculty challenges
- Contract of unions
- **Wants from the Board of Nursing**
 - More communication
 - Regular check-ins
- **Action plan**
 - J. Downs attending St. Cloud Tech to present at faculty meeting
 - Creation of “Forum”- via Teams scheduled for April 22, 2026, from 12-1pm
 - Explore use of a” podcast” to replace a newsletter

Review of Washington State Action Now! Presentation

- Overview of the Washington State Action Now! Initiative
 - BON in Washington partnered with other agencies, their workforce center & union groups
 - 26% salary increase for state community colleges, addressed workload issues, stabilized nursing education faculty, some salaries increased in other colleges.

LOI Instructions Review - Table until next meeting

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:24 p.m. by Tracy Sonterre-Rieger and seconded by Sandra Anderson

Next meeting: March 20, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.

Recorder: J. Downs