

**Minnesota Board of Nursing
Education Committee Minutes**

April 2, 2026, 12:30-1:30 pm

Hybrid Meeting

1210 Northland Avenue #120

Mendota Heights, MN 55120

Members Present: Rhonda Johnson, Jessica Miehle

Members Absent: Tracy Sonterre-Rieger, Sandie Anderson

Staff Present: Deb Schuhmacher, JaCinda Downs, Melissa Wolfe

Guests Present: Melissa Bordenave, Century College

Call to order: by Jessica Miehle at 12:31 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

No quorum: Reviewed will bring to the May meeting.

Approval of Minutes

No quorum: Reviewed March 20, 2026, meeting minutes and will bring to the May meeting.

Petition for Variance

Century College submitted a Rule Variance Petition from MN Rule 6301.2340, Subpart 3.A.(11) for the 2026/2027 academic year. Director Melissa Bordenave from Century College spoke to the committee about the need for the variance. Century College has hired multiple BSN faculty who are either enrolled or will be in graduate programs (May 2027). Approved for 4 new UFT. Will discuss again at May meeting.

Letter Review- Tabled until May meeting.

April 22nd BON Education Forum

Jessica Miehle will facilitate forum. JaCinda Downs will present for 10-15 minutes and then open discussion for topic specific questions. Last 10 minutes survey group for future topics.

Action: JaCinda to finish PPT and send to members for review.

LOI Instructions Review- Tabled until May

Review (area G) of the LOI Instructions, impact of the proposed program on other education entities in the catchment area. Strengthen adding a third column to separate related rules and required evidence.

Action: JaCinda to mockup another version of the document.

Clinical Preceptor Support Action- Tabled until May meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m. by Jessica Miehle and seconded by Rhonda Johnson.

Next meeting: May 15, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Recorder: J. Downs