



The School Nursing Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met on Tuesday, April 26, 2024, virtually via Microsoft Teams at 2:00 pm.

FRIDAY, April 26, 2024

Members Present

Ashlan Porter, Board President
Maceo Tanner, Board Member
Elin Brumbaugh, DPH School Health Nursing Consultant
Kim Conley, Program Manager of School Health

Staff Present

Natara Taylor, Executive Director

Members Absent

Ashley Gresham, Board Member

The meeting began at 2:00 pm with Ashlan Porter calling the meeting to order. Kim Conley and Elin Brumbaugh educated board members on the following points:

- Ms. Brumbaugh is the only employee from Public Health who serves in school nursing.
- There is a definite need for more consultants, advisory positions, and best practice recommendations in school nursing in Georgia.
- CHOA has an internally funded school health program in metro Atlanta that does community outreach (e.g. AED/CPR program).
- The Department of Education allocates funds to all school districts for nursing services in schools.
- One Nurse One School is a nationwide initiative advocating for federal school nursing legislation.
- Objectives for school nursing in Georgia include 1. Establishment of comprehensive statutes and regulations for school nursing. 2. Ensuring equitable compensation for school nurses with the aim of placing a nurse in every school.
- What is needed? An advisory group that focuses on guidelines/protocols for 1. Training, 2. Delegation, 3. Education for the ones who oversee school nurses (school administrators). The group should work collaboratively with the Georgia School Nursing Association (GSNA).



- Georgia Nurses Association (GNA) is willing to advocate for legislative actions in school nursing.

The committee formed an advisory committee to include four (4) members from the Board of Nursing, one (1) member from the Department of Public Health (DPH), one (1) member from the Department of Education, and two (2) members from GSNA. Ms. Brumbaugh and Ms. Conley will choose the two GSNA members. Tara Taylor to schedule a future committee meeting. The meeting concluded at 3:05 pm.

Ashlan Porter, Board President

