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NURSING AND MIDWIFERY BOARD OF AUSTRALIA

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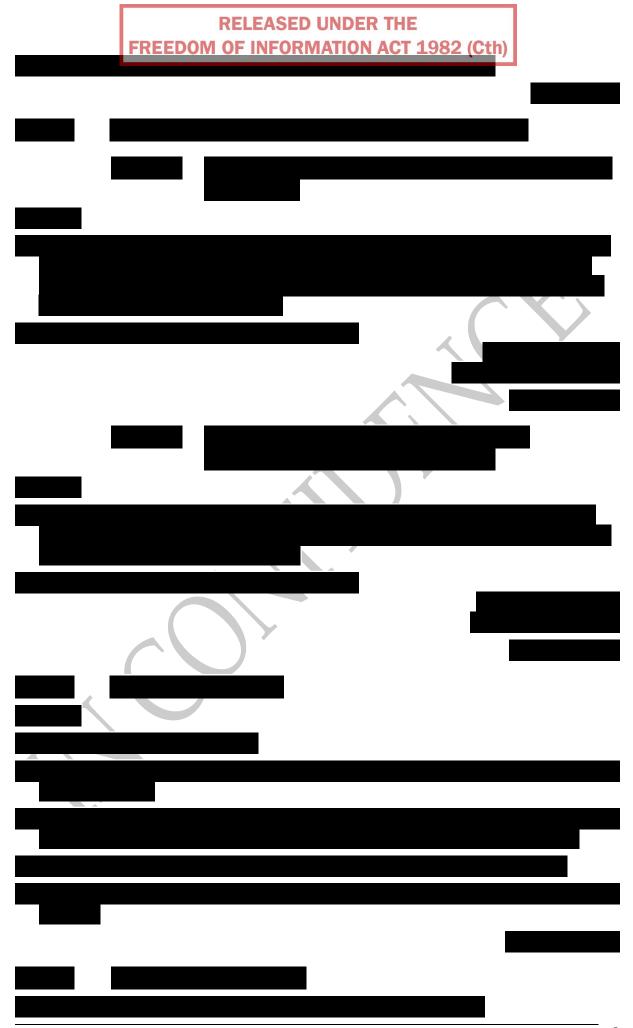
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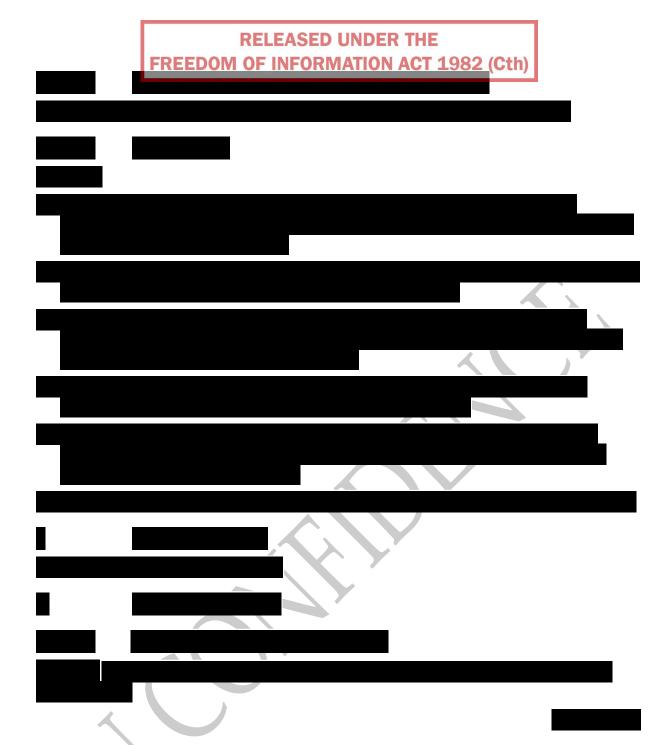
Decisions and actions arising

Members present

Anne Copeland (Chair), Gillie Anderson, Angela Brannelly, Mary Chiarella, Lynette Cusack, Denise Fassett, Lynne Geri, Louise Horgan, , Christine Murphy, Heather Sjoberg and Margaret Winn

Apologies Mary Kirk 1. Welcome and general overview matters





Item 3.2 Revised common English language standard

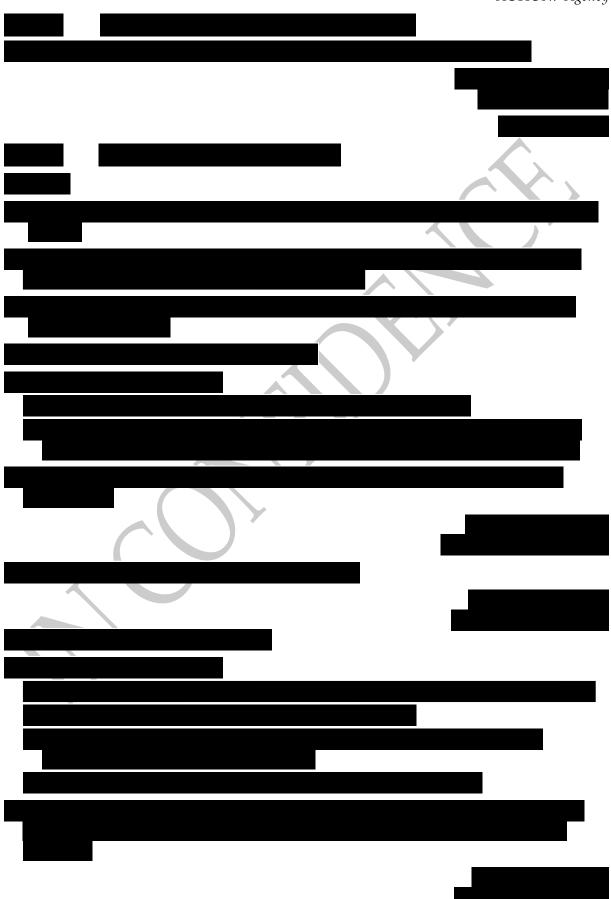
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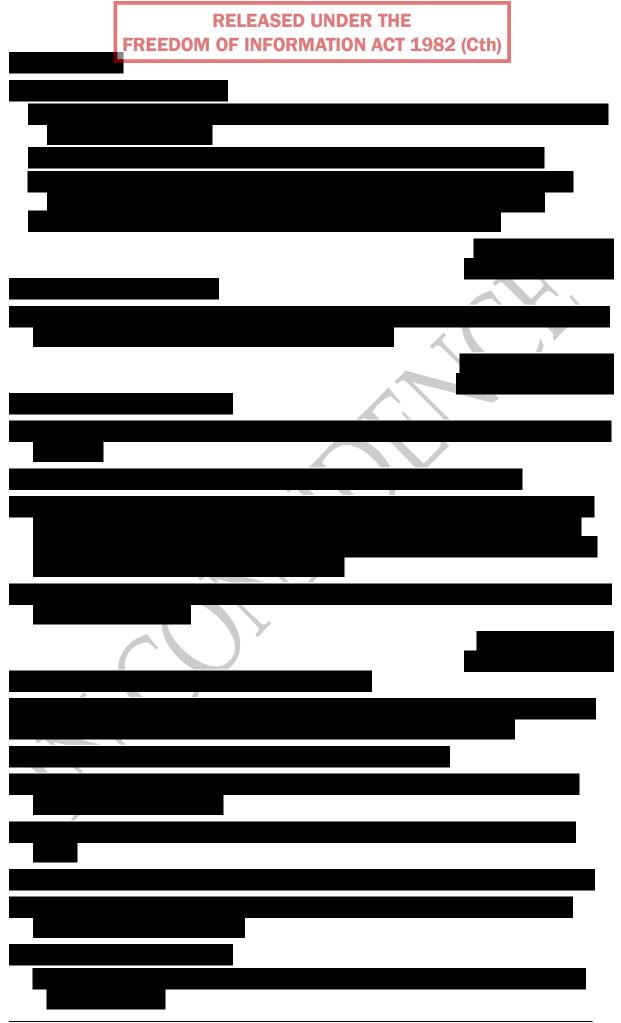
- 1. noted that the proposed common English language standard now contained provision for Board-specific content
- 2. agreed to amend the provisions for applicants who did not complete their secondary education in English to read "undertake and successfully complete their secondary education to the requisite level required for entry into a nursing or midwifery program, taught and assessed in English"
- 3. agreed to require all internationally qualified nurses and midwives to complete approved tests for English proficiency with no exemptions
- 4. agreed that Occupational English Test (OET) and the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) be the only English language tests approved by the Board.

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Moved: Angela Brannelly Seconded: Louise Horgan

ACTION: Agency



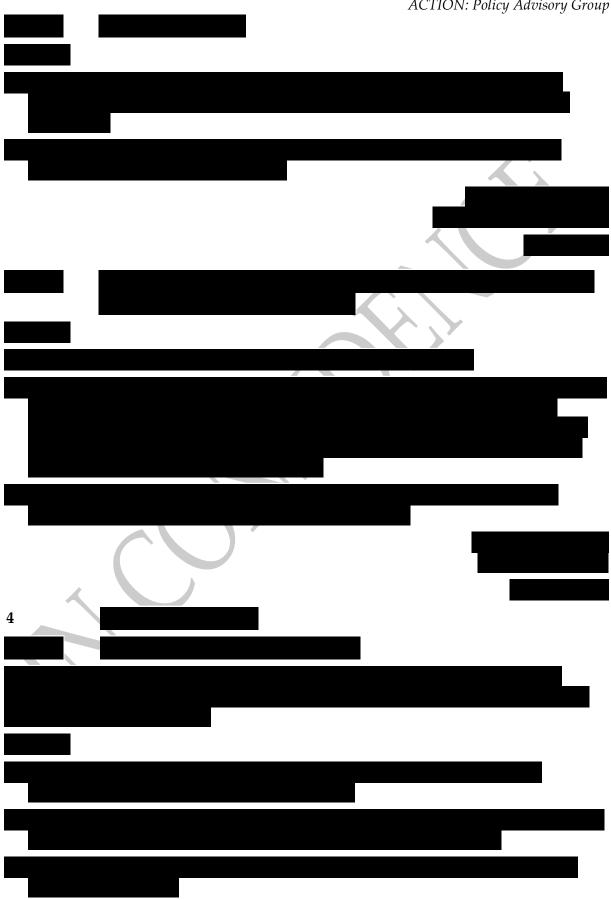


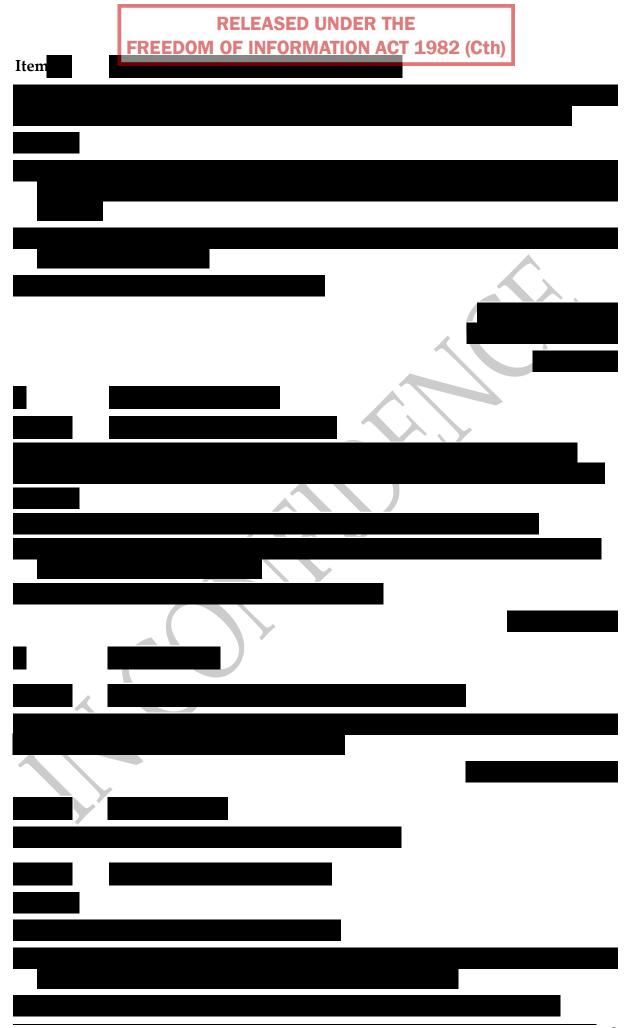
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Moved: Margaret Winn Seconded: Lynne Geri

ACTION: Policy Advisory Group





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ACTION: Agency/Chair

7. Next meeting

Members:

- 1. agreed to put on the agenda
 - a. assessment of overseas nurses
 - b. re-entry programs
 - c. accreditation standards
- 2. noted that the next meeting is Thursday, 25 February.