

The Middlesex Hospital
Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing
Minutes of the Degree in Nursing Ad Hoc Committee
5 December 1977

Present: Dr I. Burton - Chairman
Miss E.L. Blake
Miss C. Chapman
Professor B.M. Foss
Professor M. Jefferys
Mr S. Nazeer
Mrs C. Plouviez
Mrs J. Streeter
Professor P.H. Silver
Mrs J. Wachstein

The Minutes of the last Meeting were approved and signed as correct.

Apologies for absence were received from: Miss M. Cooper
Mr L.P. Turnbull
Professor W.F. Widdas
Mrs M. Morgan
Mr D.J. Macdonald
Professor McGregor

Dr. Burton reported that approval in principle for a degree in Nursing studies had been given by the Academic Board at Bedford College.

He then introduced the paper setting out a suggested curriculum for such a degree. A discussion followed..

Mrs Wachstein introduced a suggested scheme for Obstetrics and Gynaecology of which details were tabled at the meeting. A discussion followed.

The teaching of Psychology was discussed and it was suggested that an introduction to the subject, clinically orientated, might be taught in the Medical School early in the course. The substantive course in the third year might then emphasise social psychology in keeping with the overall thrust of the degree. Professor Foss offered to draft a syllabus and this was accepted.

The amount of clinical practice was discussed in relation to the Briggs guide-lines and the E.E.C. Directives. It was emphasised that the Degree would recruit, as now, students of above average capability.

The contribution of Physiology and Pathology was discussed and the need for a proper foundation in the medical sciences was emphasised. It was agreed that the professional programme must next be worked out in detail for discussion at the next meeting.

ELB/JT
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