

**OPANA BOARD MEETING MINUTES-SUMMER 2012  
SATURDAY AUGUST 18, 2012  
BRIOS RESTURANT, COLUMBUS OHIO  
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 11:17AM**

**Attendees:** **Jeanne Guess**-President/NOPANA, **Iris Marcentile**-Secretary/COPANA, **Sharon Gallagher**-Treasurer/Membership/CAPANA, **Gayle Jordan**-Assembly/District Rep/DAPANA, **Debby Niehaus**-Webmaster/CAPANA, **Debbie Wolff**-Historical/NEOPANA, **Alabelle Zghoul**-Awards/COPANA, **Jane Booth**-Scholarship/CAPANA, **Carol Zacharias**-District Rep/NOPANA, **Terri Siroki**- District Rep/NEOPANA, **Nancy McGushin**-Immediate Past President/Nominating/COPANA, **Sally Morgan**-Govt. Affairs/District/COPANA, **Sharon Hay**/CAPANA, **Jill Sharwarh**/GCPANA, **Pat Demsey**-Standard Operations/GCPANA, **Nancy Hite Miller**-Secretary/COPANA-Visiting Guest

**Absent:** **Sue Guertin**-Convention Chair/COPANA, **Renee' Garbark**-Snooze News Editor/DAPANA, **Rose Durning**-Vice President/DAPANA, **Nancy Post**-Fund Raising/District Rep/WYPANA, **Sue Ryan**-District Rep/GCPANA.

**Secretary's Report/Meeting Minutes:** Minutes from the May 18, 2012 board meeting reviewed with the following corrections: Under attendees: changed-NEOPANA to CAPANA (Barbara Berling District Rep). Under the Slate of Officers for 2012-2013 added an "r" to treasurer. Motion to approve corrected board minutes was made by: **Deb Niehaus**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Nancy McGushin**. Motion carried.

**Slate of Officers for 2012-2013**

**Jeanne Guess**-President  
**Rose Durning**-Vice President/President Elect  
**Sharon Gallagher**-Treasurer  
**Iris Marcentile**-Secretary  
**Gayle Jordan**-ASPAN Rep.  
**Nancy McGushin**-Past President/Nominating

**Up coming offices for re-election:**

Secretary-2013  
Vice President-2014  
ASPAN Rep-2013

**President (Jeanne Guess):**

1. Membership fee- received a letter requesting an increase in membership dues has of January 2013. Dues at present time are \$30.00 and a motion was made by **Deb Niehaus**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Alabelle Zghoul** to keep the dues the same. Motion carried.
2. Affiliate membership clarification-after a brief discussion Jeanne put this subject on table for present since definition of affiliation needed clarification. (OPEN).
3. OPANA 30 year recognition-continued-Jeanne will check with Doug? Hanisch

4. Jeanne also reminded the board to be thinking about the Gold Leaf and Shining Star awards. We can apply for the Gold Leaf award in 2013 and the Shining Star award is eligible every year. Alabelle Zghoul is chair for these awards.

**Vice President/President Elect (Rose Durning): Absent** due to mother passing-Jeanne gave report for Rose and informed members that the CDI was September 7, 8, 9, 2012 in St. Louis, MO., attending the CDI conference will be Rose, Sally and Terri Siroki. Fall conference in October will be the 13<sup>th</sup>, need ideas for gift items, raffle and service project. Motion made by **Deb Niehaus**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Nancy McGushin** for a service project to either give money or item for MidOhio Food bank. Motion carried. It was also discussed that the price for conferences to board members would be \$50.00. **Nancy McGushin** made a motion to let board members pay \$ 50.00 for conference, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Deb Niehaus**. Motion carried.

**Past President/Nominating (Nancy McGushin):** Nancy reminded board members that nominations for Vice President, Secretary (Iris agreed to remain on has secretary), and ASPAN Rep is coming up and if anyone would like to run for an office to let one of the board members know.

**Treasurer/Membership (Sharon Gallagher):** Beginning balance \$17,036.45, Income \$5,408.00, Expenses \$6,651.76 with the ending balance being \$15,792.69.

**Membership Total:** 822

CAPANA: 121

GCPANA: 385

NOPANA: 58

COPANA: 96

NEOPANA: 65

WYPANA: 10

DAPANA: 87

Motion to accept Treasurer Report made by **Deb Wolff**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Deb Niehaus**; Motion carried

**ASPAN Rep (Gayle Jordan):** Nothing to report

**Standard Operations (Pat Dempsey):** Nothing to report

**Strategic Plan (Terri Shine): Absent-**No report

**Fund Raising (Nancy Post): Absent-**No report

**Scholarship (Jane Booth):** Gave Sharon Gallagher (Treasurer) 6-8 scholarships

**Convention (Sue Guertin): ABSENT-**Jeanne asked members to help with fall conference. Jeanne will get the Banner, Alabelle will check into and get the folders and goodie bags, Nancy Hite, Sharon Gallagher and Nancy McGushin will work the registration table. Deb Niehaus will do 50/50 drawing and baskets will be provided by NOPANA and COPANA to be raffled off. It was also suggested that the members of the board wear name tags and ribbons that was supplied at the spring conference. Food will be ordered from same place. Sally checking with vendors. Jeanne also commented that if we come across any pens, samples that our places of employment may have to bring for the goodie bags.

**Historical (Deb Wolff):** Nothing to report, but Deb did comment that there are 4 big binders and if need to archive anything we could get a stick to put binders on and can send to Deb Niehaus.

**Awards (Alabelle Zghoul):** Alabelle is urging each District Rep to nominate a deserving member for the Outstanding Achievement Award for the fall seminar. Submit applications to [azghoul4660@wowway.com](mailto:azghoul4660@wowway.com). Also each district rep. please forward all information/activities you are doing in each of your districts. We will start accumulating information for the application for Gold Leaf Award for ASPAN and for the Shining Star Award for ABPANC by the end of the year.

**Webmaster (Debby Niehaus):** Web is as good as you send. Would like to try and download ABPNAC information. Will add “Save the Dates” for the fall and spring conference to the web site. Would like to have pictures of new officers from the components to put on the web site so everyone knows who the officers are. Deb also commented that the Outstanding Achievement needs updated.

**Publications/Snooze News (Renee’ Garbark):** **ABSENT**-Deb Wolff reminded board members that the next Snooze News will be published January 1, 2013 and that information needs to be into Renee’ by November 1, 2012.

### **Government Affairs (Sally Morgan): LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY UPDATE—July 2012**

Over a year ago **HB 303**, sponsored by Rep. Kirk Schuring (R-Canton) was introduced. The bill makes changes to the law regulating nursing practice (Chapter 4723 Ohio Revised Code). Although not enacted into law as yet, the bill has made substantial progress during the current session of the General Assembly having passed the House unanimously in May 2012. The measure was referred to the Senate Health Human Services & Aging Committee immediately following the House action and supporters are hopeful that it will receive Senate approval later this year.

Although characterized as “non-controversial” the bill does make changes that nurses and others regulated by the Board of Nursing (Board) should be aware of. Following are selected highlights from the bill:

- The Board will have the authority to deny approval of a new nursing education or training program for the submission of false, misleading, or deceptive information. The denial would be subject to the hearing process set out in Ohio’s administrative procedures act (Chapter 119. ORC). Currently, the Board does not have authority to deny approval on these grounds.
- LPNs may aspirate or change the tubing on any IV line, not limited to peripheral lines.
- Again, for LPNs, reference to a “piggyback” infusion was deleted relative to initiating or maintaining an infusion containing an antibiotic additive.

□ An LPN with IV therapy authority working in a dialysis setting may administer an intermittent injection of a dose of medication for the purpose of dialysis care through the patient’s venous access. Further, activities of the LPN in these settings may be performed on both pediatric and adult patients.

□ The Board of Nursing may grant a one-year extension of the time needed to complete the APN prescriptive authority externship provided the nurse shows evidence of continued participation in the externship.

□ Currently, the Board may take disciplinary action against its licensees for failure to practice in accordance with acceptable standards of safe care due to excessive, habitual use of drugs, alcohol, or other chemical substances. The bill deletes “habitual” and “excessive”, which means Board action, can result because of the use of substances that impair practice. The change is subtle but significant.

□ The language in section 4723.28 ORC that allowed the Board to take disciplinary action when a licensee obtains or attempts to obtain by intentional misrepresentation or material deception money or anything of value in the course of practice was replaced by language that deletes reference to “intentional misrepresentation or material deception”. Instead, licensees are subject to Board action for misappropriation or attempted misappropriation of money or anything of value in the course of practice. Misappropriation implies a dishonesty standard rather than the more difficult to prove intentional or material deception.

□ Expands the range of sanctions available to the Board if it finds someone committed fraud in passing an examination. Currently, the Board can only revoke or refuse to grant the license, which does not allow it much flexibility in its consideration of the circumstances surrounding a particular case.

□ Clarifies that sealing criminal records has no effect on Board disciplinary action or sanctions. Currently, only the sealing of records of a criminal conviction is included. The bill would expand that provision to include guilty pleas, judicial findings of guilt resulting from a plea of no contest to, eligibility for a pre-trial diversion program or intervention in lieu of conviction.

□ The duty to report a current or former employee for actions that could be a violation of Chapter 4723 of the Revised Code has been enhanced. The duty to report includes both employers and those who contract with individuals for the provision of nursing care. Further, the employer or contracting entity must designate someone licensed by the Board to make the required report. Failure to report would subject this individual to disciplinary action by the Board.

#### **Board of Nursing Information**

**HB 262**—The bipartisan Human Trafficking bill, enacted as an emergency measure earlier this year was highlighted as part of the legislative update offered to Board of Nursing members by Board staff at its July meeting. The new law contains language that gives all professional licensure boards a strong push (although not yet a requirement) to

promulgate rules requiring licensees to receive continuing education on human trafficking issues. Board members briefly discussed whether a new CE mandate should be established for its licensees and determined that there were many reasons not to move forward at this time. However, the matter may be revisited when it becomes clearer exactly what the Kasich administration expects from regulatory boards in this regard. Also on the subject of human trafficking, a state task force on the problem recently issued its report to the Kasich administration. The report recommended that regulatory board investigative staff members should be trained on trafficking and advised that these boards should treat people convicted of these offenses in a manner that ensures public protection—perhaps an automatic suspension offense. Finally, boards should pursue more vigorous investigations of their licensees when there is a potential for trafficking associated with the investigation.

**Endorsement of out-of-state prescribers --4723-482 ORC**—Board member Tracy Ruegg raised an issue relative to how APNs practicing in other states are credentialed to prescribe if moving to Ohio. Individuals endorsing into Ohio as prescribing APNs, must submit to the Board a statement from a physician attesting that he/she supervised the APN's prescribing practice. Many states now recognize APNs as independent prescribers so they may not have the physician attestation required by current Ohio law. The requirement effectively deters many qualified APNs from coming into Ohio. Ohio's externship requirement relative to prescriptive authority is an anomaly; and therefore warrants reconsideration to determine if it affords any relevant public protection or serves primarily as a practice barrier. Whether this change could be included as an amendment to HB 303 was not ruled out.

**Board appointment**—Gov. Kasich's office announced the appointment of Lisa Klenke RN, Coldwater to fill an RN position on the Board of Nursing that has been vacant since December 2011. Although Ms. Klenke served two prior terms on the Board, she had not been a member for several years. Yet to be filled are the consumer position and one LPN slot.

**Rule-making**—The Board of Nursing will be engaging in rule-making activities the latter half of 2012. Because of the enactment of SB 83 that enhanced the prescriptive authority of advanced practice nurses relative to Schedule II controlled substances, the Board is holding a public hearing during its September 20th meeting on rules in Chapters 4723-8 and 9 OAC that set out new continuing education and other requirements that must be met by prescribing APNs. The rules will be filed in August and available for further public review and comment at that time. Although APNs with prescriptive authority may now prescribe schedule II controlled substances in the locations identified in the legislation, they must complete the new CE before the 2013 renewal process. The Board will hold its annual 5-year rule review hearing on Wednesday, November 20th with the proposed changes to those rules to be filed in October. At that time the rules in Chapters 4723-1, Board Organization; 4723-3, Definitions; 4723-14, Continuing Education OAC will be open for public comment, along with selected rules in Chapters 4723-5, Nurse Education Programs and 4723-27, Medication Aides OAC that need minor technical revisions.

**Open Forum**— The Board heard numerous presentations during its Friday Open Forum session. Garalynn Thomas presented information on behalf of the Ohio State Association of Nurse Anesthetists (OSANA) regarding the practice dilemma CRNAs face as a result

of a Board determination in 2008 that the CRNA's scope of practice (that does not include prescriptive authority) did not allow them to order a third party (nurse) to administer medication to a patient in a PACU or in another situation/setting in which the CRNA may be engaged in a "clinical support function". While OSANA respectfully disagrees with the Board's interpretation of the law, CRNAs in Ohio have been practicing in accordance with the directive since it was issued. Legislation has been introduced to address the matter SB 228 and the companion bill HB 485) and OSANA is seeking Board support of the effort to resolve the issue.

Doctors Doris Edwards, Mary Beth Mathews, and Jeri Milstead presented information in support of a legislative initiative that would require registered nurses to have a bachelor's degree in nursing within ten years of their initial licensure—the so-called BSN in 10 proposal. (No nurse licensed at the time of the bill's effective date would be required to get the degree). Although not yet a bill, the presenters reminded the Board of data that support the need for additional education for nurses in order to ensure better patient outcomes and a nurse workforce prepared to meet changing health care needs. Board members were asked to support a legislative mandate rather than relying on unpredictable market forces to dictate nurse educational preparation.

Board members did not discuss nor comment on either issue during the meeting.

The information provided in the section was provided by: **"Ohio Nurses Association"**

#### **District Reports:**

**CAPANA-Sharon Hay:** Membership total 121. Problems are set for 2012-2013-led by our new President Barbara Berling. First board meeting will be Wednesday August 22, 2012. Our first meeting will be September 19, 2012 with Dr. Janice Rafferty. The program will be Restorative Proctocolectomy. Seven meetings with CEU's given are scheduled. The March meeting is our spring workshop to be held at Bethesda North Hospital. Our final meeting will be our May business meeting with election and installation of new officers.

Two of our members, Janet Fricker; past CAPANA president and Barb Berling, present president for 2012-2013 will be speakers at the 2012 OPANA fall seminar. "Fall" into pain control-an overview of nerve blocks.

**COPANA-Sally Morgan:** COPANA sponsored a program on July 28 entitled "Basic Communication of the Deaf Patient". Our speaker, Tina Perry, discussed the deaf community in Ohio and particularly in central Ohio, the use of American Sign Language and its impact of conveying information, and the best use of ASL interpreter services in the clinical setting. Our next program and business meeting is scheduled for September 29, 2012. Debbie Francis, MS, RN, ACNS-BC will be speaking on "Failure to Rescue- Impending Signs of Doom". The objectives of the presentation are as follows:

1. Define what is meant by failure to rescue.
2. List at least 5 signs and symptoms of impending doom.
3. Identify the 4 common impediments to timely response to clinical deterioration.
4. Identify critical nursing interventions that could have potentially improved the outcome of the case study.

5. Correlate specific physical assessment and body system alterations with impending signs of doom and altered homeostasis.

Location for the September 29<sup>th</sup> meeting to be announced later on the flyer.

COPANA is collaborating with the Central Ohio Chapter of AORN to sponsor an educational program on January 12, 2013. The program, "Perioperative Patient Safety: A Collaborative Endeavor", includes the topics: collaboration and teamwork, pain modalities, nausea/vomiting control and thermoregulation, SCIP measures, perioperative nursing and risk management, and the healthy nurse. We provide 6.5 contact hours.

COPANA continues to support Mid Ohio Food Bank has our service project.

**DAPANA-Gayle Jordan:** No report-DAPANA continues to do yearly donation to "Wounded Warriors".

**GCPANA-Sue Ryan (Absent): Report given by Jill Sharworh:** The OPANA spring seminar was held in May at South Pointe Hospital in Warrensville Hts. Seventy people attended. The financial statement will be presented at the GCPANA board meeting on August 27, 2012. Thank you to all who attended.

Our September meeting will be a Saturday brunch on September 15, 2012. Mary Kasavish will be speaking on Colon Cancer: An overview and Care of the patient with a high output ileostomy. Annual bus trip to Grove City outlet mall is in the planning stages. No date at this time. We are recruiting new hospitals to participate in GCPANA and host a meeting.

**NEOPANA-Teri Siroki:** Slate of Officers:

**President-Debbie Wolff**

**President Elect-Teri Siroki**

**Secretary-Marilyn Lowe**

**Treasurer-Fran Wilson**

**District Representative-Teri Siroki**

Our first board meeting was held August 14, 2012. We are planning 7 meetings this year. We will have speakers and CE's at 6 with the final meeting being a dinner meeting. We plan to continue reimbursing our members for partial ASPAN dues, OPANA seminars, and certifications. We plan to continue awarding NEOPANA bucks during PANAW. We will offer a \$1000 scholarship to our president to attend the National Conference.

NEOPANA plans to continue our yearly contribution to a Women's Shelter.

Our annual reverse raffle is scheduled for October 29, 2012 at Guy's Party Center. Ticket sales started this week.

NEOPANA are planning the 2013 OPANA Spring Seminar. It will be held Saturday May 18, at Mercy Medical Center in Canton. Topics will include Bloodless Surgery, SANE/DOVE programs, ER-OR topics. We are working on additional speakers for a total of 6 hours. More details including hotel accommodations will be announced later.

**NOPANA-Carol Zacharias:** We will have a meeting on September 22, 2012 at 10:00am. Our speaker will be Chris Rakesmith, CNP on "Post OP Care of Patients with

Diabetes and Hyperglycemic”. Chris is the Diabetes Educator for Proffedica Toledo Hospital. Breakfast will be provided, and one contact hour will be provided.

**WYPANA-Nancy Post: (Absent)** No report.

**Old Business:**

1. 10% of the profit from Spring Seminar is returned to OPANA from hosting district.

**New Business: 1.** National Conference April 14 thru 18, 2013 in Chicago. Deb Wolff contacted ASPAN about affordably for conference and needs to accommodate a person who goes a little better. Board members were ask to send their concerns about the high price and affordability to ASPAN by going to their web site: ASPAN.org and type in To Whom It May Concern.

2. Fall Conference in October at Mt. Carmel East-Seigel Center. Board meeting the night before on 12<sup>th</sup> at Country Inn and Suites.
3. Spring Conference will be May 18<sup>th</sup> 2013 with the board meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup> in Canton Ohio.
4. National conference for 2014 will be in Las Vegas.
5. Board to draft letter and send to ASPAN as a group about the affordability of upcoming conferences especially in Chicago.

**Next Board Meeting:** Fall-Friday, October 12, 2012, 8:00 p.m., at the Country Inn and Suites.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn by **Deb Niehaus**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Jane Booth**. Time 13:24

Respectfully submitted,  
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