

## PRESIDENT REPORT for January 9, 2021 Board Meeting

Our last meeting was in preparation for our Fall Webinar. We planned a smaller Video conference. It was attended by 72 people. We had good feedback that included asking for audience ability for participation during the conference. I believe that is something we will do better next conference now that we have 'experience'.

The pandemic has caused us to think different group gatherings and Video meetings are the new norm. One good thing about Video meetings is not worrying about driving. And with our unpredictable winter weather, video meetings are a great back up plan.

I continue to watch for Video "Zoom -style" conferences on Nursing Network. I was pleased to see 11 other OPANA members attending TSPAN's free Fall Conference. I especially liked a lecture from St. Judes Hospital Pediatric Anesthesiologist discuss Air Embolisms. She did not post her slides. I would be happy to ask her if she would speak for us. I asked the 11 others that heard her, and they agreed it was a good topic for our Adult and Pediatric PeriAnesthesia Nurses. Perhaps this could be a choice for Spring Conference.

As we move forward in 2021, I believe it is prudent to continue to plan for video style conferences. I am curious to how the districts are planning to celebrate PANAW. The date is February 1-7. We do have the Zoom account for longer meetings and increased audience size. I am hoping the districts are open to inviting the rest of our component to participate in their meetings.

Last year I got a proclamation from Governor DeWine's' office for PANAW. I just checked his website, and no proclamations are being given out at this time.

I did receive our 2020 Shining Star Award. Our application is due February 1 for 2021.

**February 28 is Deadline** for your opinion on who to vote for on candidates applying for elected ASPAN offices at Representative Assembly. OPANA has designated the President and Vice President to attend Representative Assembly and cast votes for the candidates. We also cast votes for the Region Directors. Your feedback is anonymous. This will be my last year voting. I have been consistently disappointed in the response from OPANA members. We have about 450 members give or take. I think the best response in the last 4 years was maybe 20. That is 5% of our members.

You can respond on the ASPAN website. Look for Candidate Feedback. Yes, our very own Amy Berardinelli is running for Research Director. Ironically, her opponent encouraged her to run.

I will share that Deb Moengen has been a fantastic Region3 Director. She has conducted meetings for the 10 component leaders in Region 3. This has been a supportive group.

ASPAN has a "Toolbox" for component leaders. I saw a "procedure/policy" that surprised me. It was on how to merge components. We have been incredibly fortunate to have 6 districts in our component/state.

During my term I have heard the concerns that the districts are not having people step up into leadership roles. I had hoped to address this but Covid squelched this personal goal. Each OPANA member is charged \$30.00 additionally with their ASPAN membership. Our treasurer splits the fee to go

to the respective district of the member. That means each of the 6 districts receive \$15.00 from the ASPAN membership fee for their district.

I do not have the answers to improve membership.

I know that the Zoom account is for use of all districts in OPANA is intended to keep communication and collaborating of educational sharing.

Some Dates to Remember:

PANAW: February 1-7, 2021 Theme: **Compassionate. Committed. Caring.**

February 28. Feedback for Candidates. Vote on Aspan website.

April 11 ASPAN Representative Assembly will be Virtual. Beth and Amy are OPANA representatives.

April 25-29 Virtual and Physical Conference for ASPAN NATIONAL CONFERENCE in Orlando, Fla.

? May 8 th2021? OPANA Spring Conference.

Thank you,

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