

Agenda Item # 5.3.5.a
Submitted by: Katherine Thomas
Board Meeting: July 23 - 24, 2015

National Council of State Boards of Nursing
Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly
August 19 - 21, 2015

Summary:

The Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly meeting of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing will be held in August 19 - 21, 2015 in Chicago, Illinois.

The Texas Board of Nursing President, Kathy Shipp, has designated the Delegates to represent the Board:

Delegates:

Kathy Shipp, MSN, RN, FNP, Board President
Mark Majek, MA, PHR, SHRM-CP, Staff

Alternate Delegates:

Deborah Bell, CLU, ChFC, Board Vice-President
Kristin Benton, MSN, RN, Staff

The Summary of Recommendations to the 2014 Delegate Assembly and the 2014 Slate of Candidates are attached.

Recommended Action:

Move to direct the Delegates to vote on these issues after hearing and considering the discussion on the issues.

Summary of Recommendations to the 2015 Delegate Assembly with Rationale

Board of Directors' Recommendations

Adopt the proposed revision to the NCSBN Model Practice Act and Rules.

Rationale:

The proposed revision to the Model Act and Rules is recommended by the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Distance Learning Education Committee addressing the issues member boards have expressed related to the regulation of distance education programs for APRNs. The committee developed guidelines for APRN distance education programs similar to guidelines developed in 2014 for prelicensure distance education nursing programs. The recommended revisions support that faculty who teach only didactic course, or who have programmatic oversight but no involvement with patient care, should be licensed where the APRN program is regulated.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Approve the Association of Registered Nurses of Prince Edward Island as an Associate Member of NCSBN.

Rationale:

The NCSBN Bylaws state that an associate member is a nursing regulatory body or empowered regulatory authority from another country or territory. The bylaws require approval of the membership by the Delegate Assembly. The current application for associate membership meets the qualifications as stated in the NCSBN Bylaws.

Fiscal Impact:

Upon acceptance, each new associate member will pay a \$1,500 annual fee.

Approve the Ordre des Infirmières et Infirmiers du Quebec as an Associate Member of NCSBN.

Rationale:

The NCSBN Bylaws state that an associate member is a nursing regulatory body or empowered regulatory authority from another country or territory. The bylaws require approval of the membership by the full membership of the Delegate Assembly. The current application for associate membership meets the qualifications as stated in the NCSBN Bylaws.

Fiscal Impact:

Upon acceptance, each new associate member will pay a \$1,500 annual fee.

Approve the Registered Nurses Association of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut as an Associate Member of NCSBN.

Rationale:

The NCSBN Bylaws state that an associate member is a nursing regulatory body or empowered regulatory authority from another country or territory. The bylaws require approval of the membership by the full membership of the Delegate Assembly. The current application for associate membership meets the qualifications as stated in the NCSBN Bylaws.

Fiscal Impact:

Upon acceptance, each new associate member will pay a \$1,500 annual fee.

Leadership Succession Committee (LSC) Recommendation

Adopt the 2015 Slate of Candidates.

Rationale:

The LSC has prepared the 2015 Slate of Candidates with due regard for the qualifications required by the positions open for election, fairness to all nominees, and attention to the goals and purpose of NCSBN. Full biographical information and personal statement for each candidate is posted in the Business Book under the Report of the Leadership Succession Committee. Candidates will present himself or herself at the Candidate's Forum on Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015.

Fiscal Impact:

Incorporated into the FY15 budget.

NCLEX® Examination Recommendation

Adopt the proposed 2016 NCLEX-RN® Test Plan.

Rationale:

The NEC reviewed and accepted the 2013 RN Practice Analysis: Linking the NCLEX-RN® Examination to Practice as a basis for recommending revisions to the 2011 NCLEX-RN® Test Plan to the Delegate Assembly. Empirical evidence from the practice analysis, feedback from member boards and the professional judgment of the NEC provide support for the recommendation to the Delegate Assembly to adopt the 2016 NCLEX-RN® Test Plan.

Fiscal Impact:

Incorporated into the FY15 budget

2015 Slate of Candidates

The following is the slate of candidates developed and adopted by the Leadership Succession Committee. During the Annual Meeting, the Candidate Forum will provide an opportunity for candidates to address the 2015 Delegate Assembly.

Board of Directors

Treasurer

Joe Baker, Jr., Florida, Area III
Karen Lyon, Louisiana-RN, Area III

Director-at-Large (two positions)

Linda Burhans, North Carolina, Area III
Nathan Goldman, Kentucky, Area III
Joyce Hahn, Virginia, Area III
Karen Scipio-Skinner, District of Columbia, Area IV

Area I Director

Vacant

Area II Director

Adrian Guerrero, Kansas, Area II

Area III Director

Jim Cleghorn, Georgia, Area III
Patricia Spurr, Kentucky, Area III
Shela Upshaw, Arkansas, Area III

Area IV Director

Ellen Watson, Vermont, Area IV

Leadership Succession Committee

Member-at-Large (three positions)

Jane Christianson, North Dakota, Area II
Tony Graham, North Carolina, Area III
Tracy Rude, Washington, Area I
Haley Strunk, Arkansas, Area III