

LDNA Board Meeting Minutes September 20, 2006

Present: Rose Presser President, Diane Harding, Judy Talbott, Sandy Schlichenmeyer, Barb Nicklotti, Heidi Hackbarth, Wendy Noble, Ramona Yehle, Pat Zander, Stephanie Genz, Cindy Tracy, Kathryn Lammers and Janet Bahr.

Absent: Sue Kramer and Nancy Danou.

Review of the board structure. Members are needed on various committee including education (contact Kathryn Lammers) and activities (contact Sandy Schlichenmeyer) if interested in helping on a committee.

Board members boxes for record keeping were reviewed. Heidi will bring a box for Wendy at our next meeting. Board members are to keep their box current and have specific information compiled related with their position on the board. This will allow the box to be passed on to the next board member that is elected into the position.

Secretaries Report: Diane Harding

Review of the June 15, 2005 minutes was done. Motion made by Stephanie to accept the minutes as written and seconded by Wendy and all were in favor.

Treasurers Report: Barb Nickelotti

- ✚ The report was reviewed and questions answered. The bond for this position is renewed every three years and is due in July 2006.
- ✚ Scholarship for LDNA member returning to school for Honor a Colleague went to Stephanie Genz. A thank you note from Stephanie was shared with the group.
- ✚ Pink forms to use when submitting a request for money reimbursement for expenses were given out to board members.

Scholarship Committee: Kathryn Lammers

- ✚ This committee will review the criteria for the returning LDNA RN scholarship to the next meeting (Kathryn Lammers).
- ✚ Discussion on the Honor a Colleague (HOC) event and monies raised – proceeds versus all money to go into scholarships.
- ✚ Motion was made to consider options related to monies raised from HOC event that part of the monies raised should be used to support the event and not all come from LDNA. Motion was amended and this item has been tabled until the next LDNA meeting.

Activities committee: Sandy Schlichenmeyer

- ✚ This committee will look at a proposal for HOC event.
- ✚ Heritage Night at Oktoberfest
This is held on Wed. Oct. 5th, 2006. This year we will provide non-alcohol slush drinks. We will also provide written information on blood pressure and health promotion.

Janet Bahr will bring a cash box for collecting money from the slush drinks. Sign up sheet was passed around for donations of the slush and volunteers to work at the event.

Education Committee: Kathryn Lammers

- ✚ Karen Gardner, Janet Bahr and Judy Talbott have volunteered to be on this committee.
- ✚ LDNA will host an educational event on Wed. Oct 19th, 2005 at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Hwy 16 in La Crosse. Topic is: MRSA presented by Marilyn Michaels RN an infection control nurse at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center (GLMC). Menu is lasagna, salad and garlic bread. Reception at 6 pm, then eat and speaker is set for 7 pm.
 - Diane will see if this flyer can be sent out to all nursing via the GLMC email system. This was approved and information was sent out to all nurses at GLMC.
 - Cost for this event was posted on the flyers. Different rates for non-members, members of LDNA and students.
- ✚ Winter event was discussed and hopefully ideas can be generated from those present at the education offering in October.
 - Hopefully we will do the winter education event in Feb or March of 2006.

Newsletter: Wendy Noble

- ✚ Wendy is looking for ideas, articles etc for the newsletter. She is using MS Publisher for this.
- ✚ Articles proposed and or currently in the newsletter are LDNA scholarship from HOC, WNA web site info on hurricane Katrina, a president's column, political issues and a blurb on each of the board members. Board members are to write something and send it to Wendy soon.
- ✚ Wendy will send the newsletter out via mail to all LDNA members and e-mail as attachment to those we have e-mail address for.

Discussion groups:

Kathryn again brought up the idea of having an open discussion either before or after the board meetings on topics related to health care, political issues affecting nursing and healthcare. Board members and LDNA members should think about this idea and share their comments with a board member prior to the Nov 15 board meeting.

Web – Webmaster Ramona Yehle.

Ramona shared that many updates and changes have occurred on our WEB site. The cost for updates posted on our site is very nominal. She also shared that there has been lots of “hits” on our site.

Ramona will post an updated copy of the LDNA by-laws on the Web. Diane or Heidi will forward the updated version to Ramona.

WNA Conference in Green Bay, WI

The dates are Oct 20-22nd. LDNA board members that will be in attendance are Stephanie Genz, Rose Presser and Diane Harding.

Motion made by Stephanie to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Sandy and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Diane M. Harding, RN, BSN LDNA Secretary