

La Crosse District Nurses' Association Board Minutes

Date: October 21, 2003

Time: 5:35 p.m.

Place: Viterbo University, Brophy Nursing Center, Room 121

Present: Peg Myhre, Stephanie Genz, Lois Sanwick, Cindy Tracy, Ruth Berns, Kathy Lammers, Joan Callahan, & Rose Pressor

Call to Order: Stephanie called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as written.

Approval of Minutes: 1) August 19, 2003: correction: Add Ruth Berns to the list of those present at the meeting. 2) May 7, 2003: correction: The next meeting date is August 19, 2003, not August 14, 2003. Both sets of minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Joan reported on a register report dated 05/01/03 through 10/20/03. The balance as of 10/20/03 was \$2,891.34. A down payment of \$150.00 was made to a speaker who broke her arm & was unable to speak. It is expected that the down payment will be returned. Expenses for this event (such as rental of the K of C Hall) were paid and cannot be reimbursed. Profit for Heritage Night was \$245.65. The fund (\$250.00) for the WWTC student nurse scholarship was paid to the WWTC Foundation. Joan also reported on the SCUDDER investment fund. The market value has gone up & presently it is at \$5,235.55.

Old Business:

Update board member information: addresses, email addresses, & phone numbers are being updated for the present board.

Heritage Night: Cindy Tracy reported on the fundraiser for Heritage Night. There was food left over & she stated that the amount of food could be cut by one third for next year.

Fall Education Program: Rose stated that she has not been able to have contact with the speaker (Diane Miller) that had to cancel due to injury, but that she believes the speaker would like to re-schedule for another date. About 35 nurses had registered for the program. It could be planned for a spring program. Board members are asked to bring calendars to the next board meeting to plan for this.

WNA Convention: The WNA convention is this week. Stephanie collected money for a basket for WINPAC.

Committee Reports:

President's Report: Stephanie will attend the presidents' dinner & meeting scheduled Thursday at the WNA convention. There will be brainstorming on membership. Only 11% of the nurses belong to the WNA. Cost of membership will be discussed. Stephanie will send information titled "WNA: The Right Choice" to board members.

Program Committee: no additional information than was already reported.

PR/Membership Committee: Ruth reported that there are approximately 120 members. Emails are being sent to members to remind them to renew their yearly membership. It was suggested

that the mission statement be put on the LDNA web site. Rose will price magnets for cars to advertise LDNA.

Legislation Committee: no report.

Nursing Practice Committee: A program on the disease management of chronic renal failure will be held on November 5, 2003.

WINPAC: A silent auction will be held on October 24, 2003. Skits will be developed for the WNA convention for legislation matters. Kay Lillisand is chairperson.

LDNA Web Site: The board decided to make the following additions to the LDNA web site: 1) add the mission statement, 2) add a sentence about LDNA & WNA & ANA, 3) add the UW – Western Campus as a link, and 4) add WSU as a link. Kathy will give this information to Ramona to add to the web site.

Newsletter: The newsletter will go out early in December. Barb Schroeder (of the Learning Center at VU) will prepare the newsletter. Articles should be sent to Stephanie. Committee reports are welcome. Articles will be submitted on Leah Curtin's presentation & on the WNA convention. Articles are due by November 25, 2003.

New Business:

VU Scholarship: A \$250.00 scholarship will be given to a VU nursing student. A VU Brochure on Scholarships was sent to Joan. However, she noted that the last scholarship that was given by the LDNA for a VU nursing student was not listed in the brochure.

Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 18, 2003 @ VU, Brophy NC, Rm. 121 (The January meeting will be held on January 20, 2003.)

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Sanwick,
Secretary