

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF NURSING DEANS AND DIRECTORS (GANDD)

Summer Retreat – Hilton Head, SC

June 6, 2012

Dr. Linda A. Streit, Chair, opened the meeting by requesting nominations for the open one-year term for the chair-elect position. This position leads to a two-year Chair position. Nominations included: Patricia Kraft, Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences College of Coastal Georgia. No further nominations were received. GANDD members will be asked to vote on this nomination through *SurveyMonkey*.

Treasurer's Report (Sue Otto) – [Dr. Streit reported for Dr. Otto] She informed the group that GANDD would be sending a \$1000.00 check to Dr. April Reese (AACON) to help defray the costs of the conference. The GANDD checking account is with Wells Fargo and the balance as of June 1st is \$7191.34. (This balance reflects a total after \$1000 to AACON). New schools/colleges that wish to join GANDD will be required to pay dues. Dues have not been collected for a period of three years. The group agreed to invoice only new school attendees / members. Invoices will be sent to schools/colleges that have never paid any dues. Dr. Streit asked for approval from the group to establish a website for GANDD and pay the yearly fee from the GANDD funds. The website will have a member only section which will be password protected. The group gave unanimous approval.

Dr. Streit reminded the group about the importance of completing the SREB survey. There is missing data from 14 Georgia degree programs. Together with the efforts of Eula Aiken, Executive Director-SREB Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing, the survey was sent to all nursing programs in Georgia. Schools do not need to be members of SREB to complete the Survey. The purpose of the survey is to retrieve valuable data regarding nursing education in Georgia. This data will supplement other data sources.

Dr. Charlotte Price reported for AACON. She informed the group that the Georgia Board is trying to streamline the Georgia Board of Nursing report and would like input from everyone regarding the information they would like to see in the report. Dr. Price asked that everyone send their comments to Sandra Daniel, Joan Cranford, or April Reese who are on the Education Committee. The Board is working toward an electronic version of the report and getting away from paper. There was discussion regarding the amount of information that is being stored in the offices of the Board of Nursing and what might happen to this historical data. Many changes are being proposed for the Board of Nursing and members are encouraged to send your comments and suggestion to Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director – Office of Secretary of State (jcleghorn@sos.ga.gov; 478-207-1648). GANDD members were asked to continue to monitor the criminal background of students who are applying for licensure through the Board of Nursing.

The fall 2012 GANDD meeting historically coincides with the Georgia Association of Nursing Students (GANS) state convention meeting scheduled for October 17-21. GANDD's next meeting will be on Thursday, October 18, 2012 at the Georgia International Convention Center, located at 2000 Convention Center Concourse, near the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International

Airport (directions may be found at www.gicc.com). Vendors who are requesting space (and possibly sponsoring lunch for the group) are Hurst, ATI, and Kaplan. Other vendors that might be considered are Project Nurse, EnvirX (they record and document student accomplishments), and Criminal Background.

Topics to be considered for discussion at the fall meeting are:

- Mentoring
- Preceptor Training
- Plagiarism
- Student Incivility
- Faculty Incivility
- Social Media Policies
- Inter-state Licensure
- Mandatory Continuing Education

Dr. Streit will be sending a survey to the members of GANDD to select preference for topics at the fall meeting. There was discussion concerning the purpose of GANDD. As stated in the GANDD bylaws:

1. Facilitate collaboration and networking among nursing programs in Georgia.
2. Plan and conduct appropriate activities to address existing problems and strengthen nursing and nursing education at the local, state, and regional levels.
3. Collaborate with and influence state, regional, and national groups and stakeholders concerned with nursing and nursing education.
4. Provide leadership in educating a highly competent nursing workforce consistent with the health care needs of Georgia.
5. Serve as a resource for development of policy and programs that enhance the health of people in Georgia.

The bylaws of the organization also refer to four meetings per year. Historically the organization has met twice a year. Member discussion led to a consensus that GANDD meetings should be held four times a year and perhaps two meetings (fall and summer) could be face-to-face and two meetings (winter and spring) could be held via webinar/teleconference. Dr. Streit suggested that dates for the webinar meetings be voted on by members in the upcoming survey. Members agreed. She will also include possible summer retreat dates.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes were generated by J. Mosteller/L. Streit in the absence of Secretary, Joyce Johnson.
June 22, 2012

