

**January Meeting  
New Jersey Nursing Students, Inc.  
1479 Pennington Road  
Trenton, NJ 08618**

**Date:** January 10, 2009

**Place:** NJNS Headquarters, 1479 Pennington Road, Trenton, NJ 08618

**Officers**

President:	Deyanira Zarza, RN
First Vice- President:	Open
Second Vice- President:	Regina Adams
Secretary:	Jillalison Camp
Treasurer:	Scott Rovito

**Board Members**

Community Health Director:	Elizabeth McFetridge
Membership/Nominations Director:	Open
Public relations Director:	Sarah Lelion
Legislation Education Director:	Marie Mupada, RN
Resolutions Director:	Namrata Jani, RN
Breakthrough-to-Nursing Director:	Open
Fundraising Director:	Open
NJNS Consultant:	Sandra Kearns, MSN, RN, CNE
NJLN Consultant:	Patrice Case, MSN, RN BC
Parliamentarian:	Barbara Chamberlain, PhD, APRN
Presidential Advisor:	Melissa Campbell ,BSN , RN
Presidential Advisor:	Open
Staff Advisor	Betsy Yannazzno, RN

**Guests** – none.

**Call to Order - 1011**

**Roll Call** – Deyanira Zarza, Regina Adams, Jillalison Camp, Elizabeth McFetridge, Sarah Lelion, Sandra Kearns, Betsy Yannazzno, Scott Rovito, Marie Mupada, Namrata Jani

**Excused** – Barbara Chamberlain, Patrice Case

**Meeting Minutes**

December's meeting minutes were distributed and reviewed.

Clarification is needed regarding the proposed bylaw change for terms of office (section 7).

**Motion:** To accept December's meeting minutes with proposed changes and clarification.

**Motion made by:** Elizabeth McFetridge

**Motion seconded by:** Regina Adams

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** Passed.

## **Treasurer Report**

- The budget was updated with the changes proposed and voted on last meeting (December). See attached.

**Motion:** To accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Motion made by:** Jillalison Camp

**Motion seconded by:** Namrata Jani

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

## **Old Business**

### ■ **Submission of income taxes**

The taxes are to be finished and submitted by the end of the month. The outstanding balance owed by Yvette Thomas, a past president, remains on the books. Repeated attempts to contact Yvette have been unsuccessful. Sandra to provide Scott with a copy of the itemized outstanding balance and an attempt is to be made to research her latest address. To be deferred to next meeting.

### ■ **MBNA outstanding credit charge**

Payment has been made and the account cleared.

### ■ **Nova fee – the online credit card payment program activated and online registration can begin.**

**Motion:** To distribute exhibitor packets with coupons that state \$400.00 discount for early registration if received by August 29, 2009.

**Motion made by:** Regina Adams

**Motion seconded by:** Marie Mupada

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

### ■ **Board Reports**

All annual reports have been submitted to Sandra Kearns with the exception Deyanira Zarza. Annual Report to include April to December.

### . **Pulsebeat update**

Not all members received the latest pulsebeat. Sara will check with SHN mailers to find if all the members' addresses are correct. The Jan. & Feb. has not yet been sent out. It will be sent out by this Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. Regina suggested we create a schedule for *Pulsebeat* deadline dates for board members to save money and to ensure *Pulsebeat* delivery in proper time.

**Motion: To create a schedule of *Pulsebeat* deadline dates.**

**Motion:** Scott Rovito

**Motion seconded by:** Elizabeth McFetridge

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

■ **Convention Schedule**

**Motion:** To amend the accepted motion from December's meeting proposed by Jillalison

**Motion made by:** Namrata Jani

**Motion seconded by:** Marie Mupada

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

Proposed changes include changing:

Wednesday

1000 – Board to report at the registration (fill bags)

1300 – Lunch Served with Executive Board Meeting/B. Chamberlain

1400 – Executive Board meets with Taj Mahal (Business attire)

1700 – House of Delegates (Business Attire)

1700-1745 – Monitor/Delegate Orientation (Diamond A/B) mock HOD

1745 – Dinner for Delegates, Board & Monitors

1800-2030 – House of Delegates I (Diamond A/B)

-Roll Call of Schools

-Old Business

-Committee Reports

-New Business

-Resolution

-Bylaws

-Call for nomination from the floor

1700-2030 Registration (1200-2030 Open for Exhibitors to register and setup in exhibit hall)

Thursday

0800-1600 Registration

0830-1100 Exhibit Hall Open (Coffee & Juice will be served)

7:30- 9:00 House of Delegates II

-Bylaws continued

-Nominations from the floor

9-9:50 Focus sessions I

10-10:50 Focus Sessions II

1100-1230 Exhibitors lunch served

1100-1230 Open Ceremony

1245-1400 Deans & Directors Lunch served

Student lunch

1300-1800 Open Exhibitors

TBA - Focus Sessions III  
TBA - Focus Sessions IV  
TBA - Focus Sessions V  
TBA - Focus Sessions VI  
TBA - Focus Sessions VII  
1900 -2300 – First Night Party

#### Friday

0800-1000 Registration  
0800-1300 NCLEX Review  
0800-1200 CPR Re-certifications  
0900 - Breakfast  
0930-1100 House of Delegates  
    -Bylaws continued  
    -Speeches from nominees  
    -Announcements  
    - Delegate voting  
    -Destroying ballots  
    -Adjournment  
1100-1145 – Delegate Votes Counted  
1200-1300 – Delegate Lunch  
1315-1445 - Closing Ceremony

**Motion: To accept the amended changes in schedule as listed above.**

**Motion made by:** Regina Adams

**Motion seconded by:** Sarah Lelion

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

#### ■ **Blood Drive at Convention**

1100-1700 Thursday, Blood Drive is set and will be hosted by American Red Cross.

#### ■ **The American Red Cross booth at Convention**

Will not be having a booth.

### **New Business**

#### ■ **Room assignments for Convention**

10 rooms need to be held for Helen Fuld School of Nursing (they are paying for their rooms b/c they only want 2 students/room).

#### ■ **Scholarship Selections**

Deadline 2/3/09 to apply for with Dr. Chamberlain.

■ **Convention Speakers Update**

We are not paying honorariums to any speakers this year as voted on last meeting.

■ **Deans & Directors Luncheon**

Faculty Committee; to be done next meeting; nominations due by 1/19/09.

Pre-registered attendees only.

■ **Convention Exhibitors Update**

33 Exhibitors are signed up to date

■ **Convention Advertisement Update**

■ **Convention Sponsorship Update**

We currently have 3 Sponsors.

■ **First Night Party**

The “PJ Party” is the Theme... Icecream and popcorn to the evening party., decorations would be pillows, masks, etc. Regina suggested to get samples from companies for masks and creams. The contract for the DJ came today and we would inquire about karaoke.

**Motion:** Amend last month’s motion for the board to wear their own PJ selections with name tag.

**Motion made by:** Elizabeth McFetridge

**Motion seconded by:** Jillalison Camp

**Discussion:** Regina does not feel that we should wear our own PJ’s but look uniform.

**Action:** denied.

PJs to be ordered by Jillalison.

■ **Monitor’s/Delegates Updates**

■ **Registration**

■ **Resolutions Update:** Namrata did not bring revised copy of Resolution to be reviewed.

Deferred to consultants and parliamentarian for review and approval.

■ **National NSNA Convention room reservations:** 4 rooms to be reserved by Dee

■ **February Meeting:** Discussion as to the need for a February meeting. Sandra suggested moving it to February 7<sup>th</sup> which allowed 1.5 weeks incase any last business needed to be handled. No vote taken.

■ **Miscellaneous**

Do we need ladies in blue to help out with labels pre-night..or should we hire Theresa to do the labels and help out with registration?? Or should we have monitors to help out with registration instead of ladies in blue. There are 6 counters at the bottom, and two desks upstairs.

Do we need present the Noise resolution again to the board?

Follow-up with NSNA about the deadlines about the resolution.

We need to follow-up on whether or not all the students and consultants to be at the National Convention be paid for?

It was suggested that 5 rooms be held for the national convention.

Regina said that Burlington county college has a membership kick off, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11 am, they want an NSNA member to be there, Marie Mupada would be able to attend the event.

**Maarco** gave us a quote, Tote bags-\$1.63, badge holders – 60 cents, syringes – 74 cents, pens 59 cents.

**Motion:** To include tote bags, retractable badge holders and neck wallet for giveaways to students at registration at convention.

**Motion made by:** Namrata Jani

**Motion seconded by:** Marie Mupada

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

**Motion:** To amend the contract for the Tropicana from November's meeting for the 2010 convention, that it be a 3-year contract with a 30-day cancellation clause after the convention.

**Motion made by:** Scott Rovito

**Motion seconded by:** Marie Mupada

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

**Motion:** To adjourn

**Motion made by:** Marie Mupada

**Motion seconded by:** Scott Rovito

**Discussion:** none.

**Action:** passed.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jillalison Camp**  
**Secretary**