

NCSBN Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly Report 2010

Summary:

NCSBN met in Portland, Ore., Aug. 11–13, 2010, to consider pertinent association business with its member boards of nursing. All 60 member boards were represented by delegates. Myra Broadway, NCSBN Vice President and executive director of the Maine Board of Nursing, presided at the meeting.

Highlights of some of the significant actions approved by the member boards of nursing included:

- Adoption of revisions to the NCSBN Bylaws;
- Revisions to the NCSBN Mission Statement;
- Acceptance of the 2011-2013 Strategic Initiatives;
- Approval of the Bermuda Nursing Council, the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta and the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of British Columbia as associate members of NCSBN;
- Revisions to the NCSBN Model Practice Act and Administrative Rules;
- Adoption of the Guiding Principles for Continued Competence;
- Approval of the 2011 NCLEX-PN Test Plan; and
- Election of new directors to the Board of Directors and members of the Leadership Succession Committee.

Specific award recipients include:

Ann L. O’Sullivan, PhD, MSN, CRNP, CPNP, FAAN, board president, Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing, received the Meritorious Service Award, which is presented to a board or staff member of a member board for positive impact and significant contributions to the purposes of NCSBN.

Catherine Giessel, MS, RN, ANP, FAANP, recent past board chair, Alaska Board of Nursing, received the Exceptional Leadership Award, which is bestowed to an individual who has served as president of a member board and has made significant contributions to NCSBN in that role.

Sue Tedford, MNSc, RN, CNS, APN, board staff, Arkansas State Board of Nursing, and **Valerie Smith**, MS, RN, FRE, board staff, Arizona State Board of Nursing, each received the Exceptional Contribution Award, which is given for significant contribution by a board of nursing staff member who does not serve as an executive officer or a board member who is not the current board president.

The **Texas Board of Nursing** was awarded the Regulatory Achievement Award that recognizes the member board that has made an identifiable, significant contribution to the purpose of NCSBN in promoting public policy related to the safe and effective practice of nursing in the interest of public welfare.

Members representing the boards of nursing elected officers and directors at-large include:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The membership elected new members to its Board of Directors during its 2010 Delegate Assembly. Those elected include:

President

Myra A. Broadway, JD, MS, RN, executive director, Maine State Board of Nursing, was previously vice president from 2008-2010 and Area IV director from 2003-2007. During her tenure, Broadway was the board liaison to the Disciplinary Resources, Finance, Examination and Commitment to Ongoing Regulatory Excellence Committees and the Member Board Leadership Development Task Force. She also served as a director-at-large from 2000-2002 when she was board liaison to Commitment to Excellence and Model Rules Subcommittee. Broadway holds a J.D. from Franklin Pierce Law Center, an M.S.B.A. from Boston University, Metropolitan College, an M.S. from the University of Colorado and a B.S. from Hunter College in New York. Broadway served in the United States Air Force Nurse Corps on both active duty and in the Reserves, retiring as a colonel in 1998.

Vice President

Shirley Brekken, MS, RN, executive director, Minnesota Board of Nursing, previously served as Area II Director from 1990-1992. She has served on 12 NCSBN committees/task forces as either chair or committee member. Brekken is a partner in several Minnesota efforts related to patient safety and advancing a “Just Culture” (Minnesota Alliance for Patient Safety); nursing excellence (Stratis Health Institute); nursing workforce (Minnesota Center for Nursing BOD, Minnesota Colleagues in Caring and Minnesota Health Education and Industry Partnership Steering Committees); technology (Governor’s e-Licensing Steering Committee); and nursing leadership (Minnesota Organization of Leaders in Nursing).

Treasurer

Randall Hudspeth, MS, APRN-CNS/NP, FRE, FAANP, board member, Idaho Board of Nursing, was reelected treasurer. He previously served as a director-at-large. Hudspeth is an inducted Fellow of the NCSBN Institute of Regulatory Excellence, and has served two terms as board chairman and two terms as vice chairman of the Idaho Board of Nursing during his seven-year tenure as the advanced practice registered nurse representative.

Directors-at-Large

Julio Santiago, MSN, RN, CCRN, has served as director-at-large since 2009 and was the board liaison to the Nursys Committee. He is the chairperson of the Illinois Board of Nursing and the member representing clinical practice since March 2005. Since 1990, Santiago has had extensive experience in nursing, including critical care, behavioral health and in administrative positions.

Katherine Thomas, MS, RN, executive director, Texas Board of Nursing, was reelected as director-at-large, having served her first term from 2008-2010. She previously served as the NCSBN representative to the APRN Joint Dialogue Group. She was also on several NCSBN Advanced Nursing Practice committees, chairing the APRN Advisory Committee from 1995-2007.

NCSBN delegates also elected members of the **Leadership Succession Committee (LSC)**:

Area II Member

Lisa Emrich, MSN, RN, manager, Practice, Education and Administration, Ohio Board of Nursing

Area III Member

Brenda McDougal, associate executive director – Operations, North Carolina Board of Nursing

Area IV Member

Sue Petula, PhD, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, nursing education advisor, Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing

Additionally, the NCSBN Board of Directors appointed Louise Bailey, MEd, RN, interim executive director, California Board of Registered Nursing, to serve as the **Area I Member** on the LSC.

NCSBN will meet Aug. 2 – 5, 2011, in Indianapolis for its next annual Delegate Assembly.