

NCSBN Delegate Assembly and Annual Meeting Report 2009

Summary:

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing met in Philadelphia, Aug. 12–14, 2009, to consider pertinent association business with its member boards of nursing. Laura Rhodes, NCSBN president and executive director of the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, presided at the meeting. There were 59 member boards represented by delegates. Mary Beth Thomas and Beverley Nutall were the Delegates representing Texas. Alternate delegates were Rosie Garcia and Richard Gibbs. Linda Rounds, President and Deborah Bell, Vice President, also attended.

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

Election of new directors to the Board of Directors and members of the Leadership Succession Committee.

Adoption of revisions to the Education Model Rules.

Approval of the College of Nurses of Ontario, the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba, and the College & Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta as Associate Members of NCSBN.

Adopted the *2010 NCLEX-RN® Test Plan*.

NCSBN recognized its dedicated and exceptional membership and guests at its annual awards ceremony during the NCSBN Delegate Assembly held Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2008, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Specific award recipients include:

Faith Fields, MSN, RN, executive director, Arkansas State Board of Nursing, accepted the R. Louise McManus Award.

Sheila Exstrom, PhD, RN, nursing education consultant, Nebraska Board of Nursing, accepted the Meritorious Service Award.

The Ohio Board of Nursing accepted the Regulatory Achievement Award.

Nancy Murphy, MS, RN, BC, CPM, education consultant, South Carolina State Board of Nursing accepted the Exceptional Contribution Award.

The Boards of Delaware, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington, and Wyoming were honored as they celebrate their 100th anniversary.

Elected to the Board of Directors:

Elected officers and directors at-large included:

Vice President: **Myra A. Broadway**, JD, MS, RN, executive director, Maine State Board of Nursing. Broadway was previously the Area IV director from 2003-2007.

Treasurer: **Randall Hudspeth**, MS, APRN-CNS/NP, FRE, FAANP, board member, Idaho Board of Nursing, previously served as a director-at-large.

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, executive director, Nevada State Board of Nursing.

Pamela Autrey, PhD, MBA, MSN, RN, board member, Alabama Board of Nursing.

Kathy Malloch, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN, board member, Arizona Board of Nursing. Malloch served a previous term as Area I director on the NCSBN Board of Directors and prior to that was elected director-at-large.

Betsy Houchen, JD, MS, RN, executive director, Ohio Board of Nursing. Houchen has served one previous term as the Area II director on the NCSBN Board of Directors.

Julia George, MSN, RN, associate executive director, North Carolina Board of Nursing. George served as the Area III director from 2007-2009. .

Pamela McCue, MS, RN, executive officer, Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education.

Elected members of the Leadership Succession Committee:

Leadership Succession Committee Designated Member (Current or Former Committee Chair): **Barbara Morvant**, MN, RN, board staff, Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Leadership Succession Committee Designated Member (Board Member of Member Board): **Patricia Lane**, MBA, BSN, RN, HCA, board member, Virginia Board of Nursing

Leadership Succession Committee Designated Member (Past Board of Directors Member): **Paula Meyer**, MSN, RN, executive director, Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission

Leadership Succession Committee Designated Member (Employee of Member Board): **Mary Blubaugh**, MSN, RN, executive administrator, Kansas State Board of Nursing

NCSBN will meet Aug. 10 – 13, 2010, in Portland, Oregon. for its next Annual Meeting.