

Louisiana Association of Student Nurses
House of Delegates Meeting
Rosegarden Room
Best Western Hotel
Alexandria, LA
Saturday October 30th, 2004
9 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Topic: Call to Order

Discussion: Aimee Davis, LASN president, calls the meeting to order at 9:29 a.m. Aimee thanks everyone for support and attendance. She encourages choosing a position to run for LASN office. Here are some questions that Aimee suggests thinking about for each delegate, potential candidate, and candidates: Do you have a vision for LASN? Can you focus on objectives at hand? Are you willing to support/encourage others? Do you know someone who meets these qualifications?

Topic: Introduction of Guests

Discussion: Trygve Olson, LASN Horizon's editor, introduces the guests that are attending the LASN HOD. Trygve introduces Dr. Marilyn Sullivan, Mrs. Patricia La Brosse, LSNA consultant, and NSNA rep from Georgia, Lea Thomas-Smith NSNA secretary/treasurer. Jane Allcott from AORN and she will speak about scholarships and upcoming Congress in New Orleans.

Topic: Jane Allcott, AORN guest speaker

Discussion: Jane speaks about the professionalism from the involvement in state and local associations can help prepare nurses for managerial positions. The national conference for AORN will be in New Orleans, LA. Dr. Patch Adams, Dr. Dennis O'Leary will be in attendance as guest speakers and nursing students can attend for free. Wednesday convention day is free of charge, but to participate in 5K walk/run the cost is \$25. Nursing faculty may come free of charge. This convention will kick off the first inaugural quiz bowl. This convention will include perioperative nursing leaders as well as 13 specialty associations. She encourages the faculty to attend! AORN foundation Nursing student scholarship guidelines are include in the AORN packet. The years that Jane served on the scholarship panel, they gave away \$250,000 dollars per year! AORN can fund AD, MSN, BSN and Ph.D. program schools. She encourages finding what scholarships are available. You do not have to be an AORN member to attend convention but hotel accommodations are not funded. Scholarships are available nationwide and internationally. You do not necessarily have to be interested in becoming a perioperative nurse. The web site for the association is AORN.org. There are over 40,000 members internationally. The conferences are located all around the world. World conference will be in Barcelona, Spain. Jane Allcott will sponsor 10 students to AORN membership which will include: AORN journal as well as membership connections. LASN will devise a system with how to decide which students receive the AORN membership.

Topic: Overview from current board members about each role and responsibilities

Discussion: Every current LASN board member says a short speech about their roles and responsibilities of their position. This is to encourage the members of the HOD to run for state office and understand what encompasses a board position.

Topic: Nominations from the Floor

Discussion: Aimee Davis declares nominations open for all LASN state board positions.

Horizon's Editor nomination: Katie Dollins, NSU nominates Seth Stanfield, NSU for Horizon's Editor. Seth Stanfield accepts his nomination.

Special events coordinator nomination: Kim French, NSU nominates Jill Williams, NSU for Special Events coordinator. Kim French accepts this nomination.

LASN Historian/Recorder nomination: Shannon Raef, OLOL nominates Samantha Summers, OLOL for Historian/Recorder. Samantha Summers accepts this nomination.

Topic: Break to visit the Exhibit Hall

Discussion: Aimee Davis speaks to the HOD about visiting the exhibit hall before they close for the day.

Motion 1- Kelly Harrison, LA Tech, **I move that we recess for 30 minutes to visit the exhibit hall.**

Submitted by: Kelly Harrison, LA Tech seconded by Jackie Dollins, LA Tech.

Motion passed at 10:21 am.

Meeting called to order at 11:19 a.m.

Jackie Dollins, LA tech point of order, asks to withdraw her name from the ballot for Historian/Recorder.

Topic: Rules for Voting

Discussion: Lea Thomas-Smith, NSNA secretary/treasurer talks about write in ballots and the process of how write in ballots work. A candidate name may be physically written in by the voter and this person can be elected if they receive a majority of the votes. She goes the rules for campaigning within the House of Delegates. There will be no campaign material 50 feet within voting and no campaign material may be brought in or worn in the House of Delegates. Only delegates are allowed to vote, alternates are not allowed to vote.

Topic: Final Report of NEC

Discussion: Ana discusses Parliamentarian board position. This position is a position that is appointed by the LASN board of directors. She states that if you are interested in running to meet with her after the HOD to pick up an election packet.

The list of Nominated Candidates for the Offices of LASN Board Position include:

President- Christina Erwin, OLOL
Vice-President- Emily Richardson, NSU
Secretary- Meghan Scott, LSUHSC
Treasurer- Reagan Grissom, LSUHSC
Region I Director- Ryan Moore, NSU
Region II Director- Matthew Kratzer, ULL
Region III Director- Chequita Hilliard, Southern University
Region IV Director- La Terrica Antoine, Dillard University
Allison Vallee, LSUHSC
BTN/Membership- Chanal Brown-Caine, Southern
Horizon's Editor- Seth Stanfield, NSU
Special Events Coordinator- Mervin Guillory, Dillard University
Jill Williams, NSU
Historian/Recorder- Samantha Summers, OLOL
Elected consultant- Staci Love, OLOL

Motion 2- Yvette Ricks, LSUHSC, **I move that we accept the final report of the nominations and elections committee.**

Submitted by: Yvette Ricks, LSUHSC seconded by Angela Labure, LSUHSC.

Discussion of motion: Chanal Caine-Brown, LASN Region III director declines her nomination for BTN. Chanal states that she wants to nominate herself for president. Lea Thomas-Smith, NSNA secretary/treasurer discusses a person may not nominated themselves for president. Lea also points out that the nominations for president are closed at this time.

Action: moved. Motion passed at 11:29 a.m.

Topic: Announcements

Discussion: Christina Erwin, LASN Historian/Recorder announces reminders about attending the candidate luncheon, endnote speaker, and the awards ceremony tonight. Nominations packets must be turned into Ana Depuy, LASN Region IV Director by 4 p.m. today. Thanks to Jenny Stevens, RN, immediate past region I director, for her assistance this weekend. We appreciate you. Also, raffles from exhibitors are announced and the winners are to pick their items up outside of the House of Delegates. The blood drive is from 10-4 p.m. Look for the bus in parking lot. Candy/toilet paper drive for hope house drop off boxes are by registration table. Evaluations in convention bag can be turned in at the registration booth. If you attend a focus session it is okay if the focus session doesn't interest/suit your taste, it is okay to leave the focus session, but please do so quietly and be considerate.

Aimee Davis, LASN President motions to the House of Delegates for adjournment of the meeting.

Action: moved. Motion passed at 11:37 a.m.

