

NPO Quarterly Meeting
ONA Conference Room
Tualatin, Oregon, USA
Saturday, January 30, 2010

1. Call to Order Anne Barry-Lever, Chair
Attending: Nancy West, Denise Duren, Lisa Matlock, Caroline Connelly, Lois Eaton,
Pam DeVisser, Tawnya Tompkins, Patti Brandon, Frances Guthridge, Mary Grant,
Larlene Dunsmuir, Corlyn Caspers, LuAnn Cook, Becki Rawson, Karla McGee, Pam
Rathbone

Via Phone connection: Roger Fogg, Meg Portwood, Ginny Elder

Staff: Susan King

2. Announcements and Introductions Anne Barry-Lever, Chair

3. Treasurer's Report Frances Guthridge
2009 Fourth quarter and end of year report given. Total liabilities amount still pending.
See document attached. Total current assets \$181,144.25

4. Secretary Minutes and Approval Anne Barry-Lever
Minutes for the October 24, 2009 NPO Membership Meeting were approved as written.

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Legislative Susan King

5.1.1 PMHNP Reimbursement

Reimbursement of mental health services is current issue. BCBS has made a 25% cut to non physician providers. Providence also made same cut. Some providers have what amounts to 50% cut in practice reimbursement which makes many practices no longer viable. Plan is for ONA to introduce a bill in the February 2010 legislative session which requires insurance companies to reveal criteria used for reimbursement purposes. Susan's goal, and NPO, is for 2011 session to introduce a bill that requires same pay for same services. Susan suggested drafting a memo to the ONA Cabinet on Health Policy supporting going forward with legislative action. Suggestion is to draft letter to send support forward to cabinet on Health Services to ONA.

5.1.2 Healthy Kids Initiative Update

Measures 66 and 67 passed which allows 80,000 children continued health care coverage.

5.2 Membership and Marketing Patti Brandon/Mary Grant
Nurse Practitioners of Oregon, A Healthy Partnership brochure was shared with attendees. Feedback is requested. See document attached.

5.2.1 Website

Scott Palmer/Casey Campbell

Discussion and demonstration of new website and redesign was reviewed. NPO website template will be similar in style to the new ONA website. ONA's recent change was an 18 month process. Design is meant to simplify, appeal to the eye, increase ease of use, and prevent continuous adding to a website without removing outdated information. The website should meet the needs of the visitor. Surveys and tracking revealed that the most popular link on the current website is the NPO directory. NPO members will actually develop the content within the website.

5.2.2 ONA Campaign 10,000 member in 2010

NPO is a partner in the campaign. There is a subcommittee to discuss internal benefits for recruitment of new members. Students are a focus area of the campaign with plans to visit local nursing schools.

5.3 Professional Standards

Lois Eaton

5.3.1 Allergan clarification with State Board of Nursing

ONA requested clarification from the Oregon State Board of Nursing for the purchasing and dispensing of Allergan products, Latisse, Botox and Juvederm. Allergan was unaware of current laws in Oregon. Tracy Klein from OSBN walked them through current law. NP can administer products desired. Tracy Klein will post decision statement on the OSBN website. Latisse will not be allowed because it does not meet dispensing criteria. Latisse is a cosmetic product only.

5.3.2 Primary Care Home

Patient Centered Primary Care Home Standards document is in development. This document proposes standards that will guide providers and ultimately reimbursement. Hope is to decrease unnecessary specialty use thereby wasting medical dollars. Current language does not limit or restrict NP provision of services AND includes RN's in primary care team. Goal of bill is to provide integrated multi-focused health care inclusive of mental health. Currently have 3 tiers of standards. This will only work with concurrent improvements of reimbursement in primary care services.

5.3.3 Social Security

Nothing new to report

5.4 Nominating Committee

Tawnya Tompkins

Direct any NP's interested in serving on committees or as elected Board members to Tawnya Tompkins. Nominations are due in May 2010.

5.5 Conference Committee

Larlene Dunsmuir

2009 NPO Conference was successful with 240 attending and approximate \$20,000 profit. Conference Committee will meet today planning for 2010 conference. Conference dates are September 30 – October 3, 2010 at Salishan.

6. Regional and Organizational Representatives Reports

6.1 Regional Reps

Region A/Linda Hatch No Report

Region B/Ginny Elder Most contact is through word of mouth and phone calls.

Region C/Nancy Malone No Report

Region D-1/Monica Dostal No Report

Region D-2/Meg Portwood Has sent out mailings to area NP's.

Region E/Karen Riesinger Has answered emails, assisting in restarting Journal Club in Portland area

6.2 Rural Health

Kathy Moon

Written report is summarized with current agenda items, attempting to continue tax credits for rural health providers, and notification of the new (DO) medical school opening in Lebanon, Oregon. Regence has provided a grant to study retention of rural providers.

6.3 AANP

Roger Fogg

Several conferences coming up: Specialty conference in Texas this month; AANP National Conference in Phoenix AZ on June 23-27; Region X Conference March 19-20 in Anchorage, AK. NPO is sending Lois Eaton to the Region X Conference, Roger will also be attending,

Currently on the AANP website is the AANP scope of practice response that was sent to AMA. Election for Region X Director is coming up. Pam DeVisser has won AANP Award for Excellence. Formal presentation will be in Phoenix. Contact email for Roger is rmfoggfnp@avfm-or.com

7. Old Business

7.1 POLST Task Force Report

LuAnn Cook

Registry is currently in effect. Once the advanced care planning is done and signed, it becomes the provider's job to fax the completed form to registry. Registration allows EMS to identify and carry out POLST plan. Oregon now has 5,000 registered, which is well ahead of Washington's 2 year old program.

Antibiotic related section will not be changed until at least 2012; probable result will be removal of section. CNS not currently approved to sign POLST, LuAnn would like to move forward on pursuing CNS ability to sign and activate. LuAnn will talk w/ head of CNS group. ONA staff Sue Davidson is also aware of issue. Please send comments to LuAnn. The Task Force meets on monthly basis. NPO supports removal of antibiotic section.

7.2 Groupsite and NPO Collective X

Patti Brandon

This site provides opportunity for wonderful conversation, and sending out membership information to NPO nonmembers using site. Patti recommends Membership and Marketing committee look at utilizing it. ONA just set up Facebook page and drew in 189

friends the first night, with the current number over 600 in 2 weeks. Professionals are using these sites. ONA monitors topics and use of Groupsite.

7.3 Patti would like to further discuss compounding issues and wants to include compounding pharmacist in the discussion.

8. New business

8.1 Acknowledgements of Achievements

Anne Barry-Lever

Strategic planning review, achieved many goals.

Working on: Journal club has met once a year ago, logistical problems, Mary Gilley approached Larlene about getting involved. Mary and Karen are working on reestablishing it. Suggestion was made that NPO assist in journal club, by providing food, and discussing membership. Successful model of a Journal Club is in Roseburg, where it has expanded into inviting other fields to join the discussion.

First Webinar, "What to do When Investigated by the Board of Nursing" has been successfully completed with a second one tentatively planned March 2010 on "Liability Issues" in conjunction with NSO.

Teri Bunker awarded Entrepreneur NP of the Year

Pam DeVisser was awarded NP Excellence Award by AANP

8.2 Update

Care Oregon, based in Portland, is very involved in primary care renewal and has asked ONA to assist in filling the need for an NP. Gladstone Child and Family Care Center needs a full time NP. The position and job description will be posted on the NPO website.

8.3 Scholarship Award

Pam DeVisser

The first scholarship recipient (2009), Karla, is present today. For the 2010 award the amount awarded will be increased by \$1000 through the Carol LeValley estate trust fund. This brings the total to be awarded to \$6000. Application deadline is May 1, 2010.

8.4 Lane County

Anne Barry-Lever

Anne Barry-Lever and Luann Cook will attend the March 6, 2010 Regional Education Meeting at Lane Community College. Kat Chin and Anne will give brief updates on NPO and will sponsor the afternoon break.

8.5 Project Access NOW

Larlene Dunsmuir

Project Access NOW, a non profit nationwide organization with local branches, partners volunteer health care providers in local clinics with uninsured patients. The organization operates only through fund raising and contributions. On April 8, 2010 a Banquet Event will be held at the Downtown Portland Hilton. Larlene requested NPO be a sponsor for event with a donation of \$5000, Joey and Emily Harrington will be hosts. Emily is a NP; Joey is doing philanthropic work since leaving the NFL. Community leaders, legislators, and business leaders will be present. This is a great way to promote our organization.

Currently the Project Access Now service area is a 3 county area in Oregon and Washington.

Pam DeVisser moved approval of the \$5000 award to support the event. LuAnn Cook seconded the motion. Discussion included pros and cons of request. NPO has helped groups by funding awards. This is one way to promote our organization to the better interest of our patients. Request was unanimously passed following discussion and request to include a letter to the organization encouraging changing current language in their brochure to “health care provider.”

8.6

Request submitted for numbers of NP’s in regions overall and number of ONA/NPO members. Recent drop in membership noticed.

8.7

Notified that Pfizer, specifically regarding the medication Lyrica, will not allow NP’s to sign for Lyrica patient assistance program. Susan King has emailed the provider affected by this, asking for copy of letter Pfizer sent the NP. Roger shared that may be related to a change of pharmacies used by Pfizer to fill requests is not recognizing independent prescribing practices (schedule 5).

8.8

Discussion initiated about developing and establishing standards and best practices. No action was taken.

9. Adjournment

Webinar on March 13, 2010

ONA House of Delegates April 17, 2010 at Lane Community College Education Center
Next General Membership Meeting, Saturday, April 24, 2010

Respectfully submitted,
Corlyn Caspers