Professional Services Program Area
Meeting minutes of Cabinet on Human Rights & Ethics, Cabinet on Nursing Practice & Research
July 18, 2014

Present: Human Rights & Ethics – Donna Routh, Arliss Roman, Peg Brown, Tobi Perrin
Present: Nursing Practice & Research – Laurelen Jabbour, Liz Cathcart, Marilyn Neville (phone), Charity Pape (phone)
ONA Staff: Carlton Brown, Susan King, Jenn Baker

I. Introduction – Minutes from Jan 2014 were reviewed and corrected.

II. Networking and reports – C. Pape was welcomed as a new member of the Cabinet.

III. C. Brown, Director of Professional Services, provided an update which included:

   a. Learning Management System – potentially purchase in 2015

   b. Staffing Law Webinar – Complete in next few months, give access to all members and others

   c. Overview of Member Survey

IV. J. Baker from ONA Government Relations gave update on 2015 Staffing Legislation. Discussion was held by Cabinet on potential actions and focus for 2015 legislative year.

V. Discussion was held around the ONA Board Action on Position Paper on EMR Best Practice. Board also reviewed document provided entitled Electronic Medical Records: A Nursing Perspective. It was noted that the Board resolution occurred in January and the Cabinet had not met since, so no opportunity to work on this issue. Cabinet members felt that they need more clarity around the intent of the position paper, that if it were about implementation of EMRs, that opportunity had already been missed as many organizations already have EMR in place. Acknowledged that there were other phases besides implementation to include Advance Clinical Processes and Improving Outcomes.

Action: Cabinet asked that a call be set up with Diane Hedrick the sponsor of the action and Susan King to get clarity on what was the intent of the position paper. M. Neville noted that her daughter, Roberta (Bobby) Van Scoyk, an ONA member with experience/expertise in nursing informatics may be interested in joining the group for guidance. In discussion after meeting with S. King, learned that this initiative was really the idea of Vikki Hickman, so perhaps that is the person to invite to the call. C. Brown will set up a call with interested parties to obtain clarity around position paper.
VI. Cabinet was interested in concluding efforts around obtaining and dispersing resources for aging seniors. Decided that 211info.com was the best opportunity for that.

Action: Friday e-News blast for information about 211info.com, potentially pass on to PNCCs info about 211info.com, info about 211info.com on ONA website and in the Oregon Nurse. C. Brown to follow on these actions.

VII. D. Routh provided an update on POLST. A new POLST video is being produced that can be used for patients and families with a Spanish version.

VIII. New business. The Cabinet spent time focusing on 2-3 areas of importance to the Cabinets for the rest of 2014 and into 2015. These include:

a. Moral Distress Webinar – Cabinet has interest in webinar on Moral Distress potentially taught by Kathy Pergo from OHSU. Also had brief discussions about education for ONA members on Just Culture and Compassion Fatigue.

Action – C. Brown to invite Kathy Pergo to Fall Meeting to present some of her content and then decide about whether to go forward with Kathy doing a webinar in the future.

b. Code of Ethics for Nurses – Discussion about code of ethics for nurses, noted that ANA was in the midst of updating, had previously asked for public comment.

Action – Wait until ANA releases new Code of Ethics and then decide how to move it forward for ONA members. Potentially ask members to sign personal agreement for new Code of Ethics.

c. D. Routh has agreed to continue to Chair Cabinet until July 2015.

IX. Future meetings will be potentially held on 9-19, 12-5, and 3-20, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
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