MINUTES
Cabinet on Education
March 8, 2018
12:00 – 3:00 pm

Present: Joanne Noone, Janice Carey, Amy Blankenship, Heather Aldrich, Amber Vermeesch,
PK Martin (all attended by phone)
Unable to Attend: Nikki Pagniano, Sheryl Oakes Caddy, Larlene Dunsmuir

Welcome & Introductions – Joanne called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm

Approval of December 14, 2017 Minutes – approved as written

Environmental Scan – Apprenticeship – Susan King recently attended, on behalf of ONA, the webinar “Fairview Apprenticeship Journey and Anchor Organizations”. In response to an Obama administration request for expanding apprenticeship options for workers, Fairview Health System in Minnesota has launched a pretty aggressive program to provide apprenticeship opportunities in healthcare. This model is now being considered in OR. It appears that, for nursing, they are not using the word “apprenticeship” in the traditional sense. Most of the programs out there are allowing nursing students to work as CNAs while in school, to get practical experience. The interesting thing is that nursing students have always had that option. ONA is concerned about calling programs “nursing apprenticeship” due to the risk of giving the impression that nursing is anything but an academic preparation. Cabinet members were asked to keep a lookout for and think about a conversation in the future about how we will address this emerging trend.

Joanne was also invited to attend the webinar, but was unable to attend, she will forward a recording of the webinar if received. PK will also ask Susan if she has access to the recording.

Review Mandatory CE Statement – this draft statement serves as an assessment of the current state of mandatory CE, not an official ONA position statement. The group approved the statement as is and agreed to make the statement a final draft, effective March 2018. PK will send the final document back to the group. Possible ways to share the statement include announcing the document in the Oregon Nurse News (Friday email), and/or a presentation at ONA’s House of Delegates in April – Heather and Janice are available to present if needed. Joanne will share the document with OSBN nursing education advisory group and work with Larlene about next steps.

Review / Establish 2018 Goals – the group reviewed the status of the following goals which were established at the last meeting

- continue mandatory CE work – see update above
- nurse faculty/retention issue is BIG – this group should be at the forefront of it – matches ONA’s organizational goal – no one had any new developments to report on this issue
- **recruitment of nurse educator members** – another ONA organizational goal – maybe working on education around contract language followed by a networking event – Jana Bitton of the OCN has recently connected with ONA Labor to gather contract language focused on nurse educators
- **Develop one CE for OCEAN and/or live regarding nursing education** – the nursing faculty taskforce has suggested the topic of what to look for in grad school programs – but maybe this is more suited for current members, not necessarily to attract more nurse educators to become members
- **OCNE – May 10-11** – have Cabinet presence there maybe with an education offering the evening or day after to recruit new members – ONA will have a table there, Cabinet members are welcome to be at table to help showcase Cabinet’s work

**ANCC Update** – OCEAN’s Approved Provider program is off and running. There is currently one approved provider unit OCEAN has adopted due to WSNA shutting down their Approver status, and there are currently two other applicants to become approved providers. Individual activity applications are continuing to come through for OCEAN approval, and Professional Services still maintains a goal of adding 2-3 new online courses per month into the learning management system. The Cabinet will likely be asked to complete the annual evaluation of the OCEAN program at the next meeting in June.

Joanne was invited to represent the Cabinet on Education at the OCEAN mini-retreat on April 9. ONA is gathering a group of members and staff to discuss the potential for expanding the OCEAN program. Janice is available to attend on behalf of the Cabinet as Joanne is unable to. PK will get an invite sent out to Janice.

**Other Business** – the group discussed and agreed that having an OCN update as a standing agenda item for future Cabinet meetings is beneficial to the work of the group. PK will follow up with Jana Bitton on this request.

**Next Meeting** – Thursday, June 7, 1:00 – 4:00 pm
There will likely be a way to join the meeting online for those who can’t attend in person. PK to explore the online meeting options.

**Adjournment** – Cabinet on Education meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm

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