

2009 NDANA Annual Fall Business Meeting Bismarck, ND

The meeting was called to order by NDANA President Darla Adams.

FPD Report: Overview by Darla Adams- Submitted by Kevin Hessinger

Senate finance committee approved agenda...

Spring assembly in Wash DC – had effective meetings with our 3 legislators from ND who have been very CRNA friendly in the past and we expect them to remain that way.

There are not any new national level issues that we are dealing with now. The most recent state's governor to Opt-out of Physician Supervision was Ca. in August...More and more people and politicians are seeing that CRNAs are very beneficial for the future and have a place in the health care debate.

GRC report:

All quiet on the Home Front. No issues or new information to report.

New Business:

Voting results:

- Pres Kevin Buettner
- Resident Elect: Jody Slominski
- Jamie Sperle and Nate Spicer are the new Board members.

- Cloris Schmitt and Becky Heilman served on the Nominating committee. We thank them for their work submitting names for the ballot.

UND Anesthesia Program Report by Kevin Buettner:

- A new 28 month curriculum has been approved and has begun for the for the 12 - 1st yr students. The current 2nd yr students are still in a 24 mo. Program. The added months will be split between didactic and clinical areas.
- All UND students are required to attend the NDANA mtgs, submit one publication into our AANA journal and they are required to complete a thesis or independent study and present the information at the spring NDANA meeting. They are also required to attend one review course.
- DNP courses have been developed and are waiting for

phase 2 approval by the ND Board of Higher Ed. The discussion is that the move to DNP for entry into practice will start first with NPs and then CRNAs will follow. There are still some unanswered questions: Will be a completion or not? Will it be full DNP? It is expected that it will start in the fall of 2010 and take 32 to 35 hours of curriculum...no dissertation but a project will be expected.

- There is a new simulation center so students have the opportunity to use the METI HPS Simulator for their simulation training.

- Kevin Buettner is the assistant program director $\frac{3}{4}$ time. He provides didactic and simulation training. He is continuing to work on his PhD. Jamie Sperle $\frac{1}{2}$ time employee who will also provide didactic instruction and some simulation.

- Thanks to Darla Adams and Kevin Buettner and the NDANA for approving and adding a student rep from Mount Marty to the board. They appreciate being recognized, as most are ND nurses who will stay in the state.

- Update of Mount Marty students: 2 students will grad in Dec 2009 and 3 new first yr students will begin clinicals. The clinicals are in Bismarck and students also go to St Joes in Dickinson for clinical practice. There are 100 to 150 students every yr at 35 clinical sites. Ft. Worth, TX is the home base.

DNAP will be the graduation requirement in 2011. Students who start in 2011 will grad in 2013 with a DNAP.

Spring mtg will be held April 23 and 24 in Fargo at Ramada Plaza Suites. Ken Tupa will contacting 2 CRNAs to help with the planning and topics for the meeting.

Report on Mid Yr assembly in Wash DC by Kevin B
April 19-22, 2009 700 CRNAs and SRNAs were in attendance.
Representing NDANA, 3 students and 4 CRNAs attended.

AANA is keeping CRNAs informed re: Health Reform in the country. That is the biggest issue at hand nationally.

Annual mtg August 2009:

- Kevin and Darla and 9 students from UND.. Nicki Underdahl participated in the Student College bowl and her team was the runner up team. This is the first time a student from UND participated in the College Bowl. Congratulations to Nicki and thank you for representing UND and our state.

- There is a committee looking at the best time to hold the annual national mtg...decreasing attendance was noted as hospitals have decreased funding for continuing education.
 - Issues –In some states, some insurance companies are not paying for non-physician services...other states not so much ND.
 - Workforce---still at 12% but not accurate so AANA will do some new research on this topic
 - Senate bill 1585 Sen. Durbin from Il...was asked to ask our Legislators if they would co sponsor this bill with Durbin...we are so rural and it may impact some of our communities.....pass through funding cut and we do not know if there is a decrease in sight for us yet. Our legislators said they are watching this closely but they did not agree to co sponsor the bill at this time.
 - Promotional material available soon for CRNA week in January 2010.
 - Where are we at with the proposed pay for performance issue. No one knows for sure. It seems to have been pushed to the back ground because nothing has been said lately about this issue.
 - There is some talk about changes in the future for small states assistance. There are champions out there asking for changes that could affect our state. Paul Santoro's platform when running was to help to make some big changes for small states by supporting more funding for the small states.
 - Remember to vote because of these issues that can affect us in ND.
- BOD mtg today at 2 pm

Kevin presented outgoing Pres. Darla Adams with a thank you gift for her service to the NDANA over the past year. He presented her with a Isoflurane vaporizer lamp.

Motion to adjourn by Becky Heilman