



July 18/19, 2007
FCN Board Meeting Summary

BOD Members: Pegge Bell, Chair; Susie White, Vice Chair; Kathryn Whitson, Secretary; Jane Cebelak, Martha DeCastro, Jackie Gonzalez, Andrea Gregg, Dora Krauss, Tina Menna

Staff: Mary Lou Brunell, Executive Director; Jennifer Nooney, Associate Director: Research; Cathy Lewis, Executive Secretary - recording

Guests: Charlene Ingwell, Kim McCartney, Rosa Rivera

- Chair Report: Pegge, Mary Lou, Jen, Tina, and Lynn attended 5th National Conference of State Nursing Workforce Centers held in San Francisco, CA on June 6/8, 2007. The Center representatives were presenters during the break out and pre-conference sessions.
- Staff Report: Mary Lou reported FY 2007/08 contract was signed and reviewed the required deliverables. Revision of website is complete and intended to ease identification of information and reports. Center's tag line adopted: "Addressing Nurse Workforce Issues for the Health of Florida". Jen reviewed publications since last meeting and discussed progress with implementing the HRSA Nurse Supply & Demand Models in Florida. FCN / DOH collaborative projects discussed: joint annual survey of nurse education programs and integration of workforce data elements within the license renewal documents.
- Retention & Recruitment Funded Projects Proposal: Board members agreed and supported the development of a program to fund initiatives directed toward improving retention and recruitment of nurses. Retention & Recruitment Funded Project Selection Committee was established and will participate in the review of applications received. Mary Lou will develop project with the UCF Office of Research and plans to distribute the Call for Proposals in early Fall.
- Treasurer's Report: Mary Lou reported for Jean. End of FY 2006-07 balance and FY 2007-08 budget discussed.
- Research and Workforce Analysis Committee Report: Susie reported new members joined Research Committee. The first cohort of RNs renewing their licenses in 2007 completed their renewal cycle on April 30 and resulted in a 7.9% response rate on the FCN 2007 Workforce Survey. The statewide nurse employer survey was mailed out the week of July 16.
- Communication Plan Task Force Report: The plan was adopted with the addition that following the release of new reports a board and staff conference call will be scheduled.

Next Meeting: November 1-2, 2007 in Orlando.