



November 29, 2007
FCN Board Meeting Summary

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

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

- Executive Director Report: On target with Deliverables. Mary Lou met with Representative of the Florida Department of Health and Governors Office to discuss the status of the nursing shortage in FL and strategies for solutions.
- Treasurer's Report: Jean Wortock, Chair, reported Finance Committee met October 16, 2007. Budget and Trust Fund discussed.
- Research and Workforce Analysis Committee Report: Jen reported analysis of second cohort – Licensed Practical Nurses – workforce data complete. Report on FCN website. Nurse Employer Survey complete and analysis in process. Response rate as follows:
 - Hospitals: 40.5%
 - Home Health: 32.5%
 - Skilled Nursing: 34.1%
 - Public Health: 77.3%
 - Hospice: 47.5%

Medical Quality Assurance approved incorporation of workforce questions into license renewal. Data collection will begin with renewal cycle starting January 2008. HRSA models running with Florida-specific data sources. Collaborative project – FL Center for Nursing and FL Board of Nursing Annual Report and Workforce Survey has been fielded for completion by all 176 nurse education programs in Florida.

- Retention & Recruitment Funded Projects Proposal: Mary Lou reported Retention & Recruitment Funded Initiatives Project awards selected. Awards noticed on FCN website and to recipients. Forty-two applications were received and 9 selected for funding. FCN received funding match (\$75,000) from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Florida, Inc.
- FCN Policy Agenda: *Addressing the Nursing Shortage in Florida: Strategies for Success*: following discussion Mary Lou will incorporate suggestions and provide final draft of the document to Board Members electronically.

Next Meeting: February 28/29, 2008 in Orlando.