## **Nursing Student Association of New York State**

2015 Board of Directors' Minutes

## Adelphi University – Saturday, September 9, 2015 at 6:33pm-8:24pm

<u>Those Present</u>: Sharmila Samwaru – President; Joseph Rivera – Co Vice President; Rachel White – Treasurer; Marilyn Thomas – Secretary; Alisa Sponton – Communications Director; Rebecca Chavez – Regional Director: Long Island; Rachiel Cabiling – Breakthrough to Nursing; Ashlee Torres – Community Health Director; Isabel Faringer-Perez – STAT editor, Stephanie Fahrbach – Regional Director: Central; Samantha Bishop – Co Vice President; Emily Rosen – Regional Director: Metro

Excused Absences: Katelyn Finnegan – Regional Director: Hudson; E; Giselle Melendez – Advisor; Larry Slater - Advisor

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Item	Discussion/Outcome	Tasks
Meeting started by Sharmila Samwaru, President, at 6:33pm	Sharmila votes to start the meeting, Joseph Rivera seconds. All in favor, none opposed.	
Vote on August minutes	"I, Rachel White, vote to pass the August minutes." Emily Rosen seconds. All in favor, none opposed. No abstentions.	
Vote on convention venue, to be held at Hotel Pennsylvania	All in favor, none opposed. No abstentions.	Delegate venue specifics to Co VPs Joseph and Samantha
Vote on Tshirt design and color (dark purple with white lettering)	"I, Samantha Bishop, motion to pass the Tshirt design and color." Emily Rosen seconds. All in favor, none opposed.	ALL to select t-shirt size

**NEW BUSINESS** 

President's Report	<ul> <li>"A big thank you! To all of those who have completed board reports for the month of August. I will be commenting/making progress reports on these reports in order to provide more direct and individualized feedback. So, please check back on google drive."</li> <li>To all regional directors: please have the membership totaled, *remember to have a specific membership goal for this year</li> <li>Some schools may not have an NSNA chapter, so it's a good idea to reach out to them- CC Sharmila in these emails.</li> <li>For future meetings, if you are unable to attend please inform Sharmila, Marilyn!</li> <li>If you have any feelings of personal conflict with NSANYS eboard and attending these meetings, please speak to Sharmila i.e. – feeling overwhelmed, needing to resign etc just to be kept informed and to be held accountable</li> <li>Voting via email only to be done in emergencies; please make sure to vote!</li> <li>Sharmila to attend ANA meeting – beneficial to everyone, especially for NSANYS convention this year! Would it be possible to have ANA as one of our sponsors for this year's convention?</li> </ul>	Sharmila to review board reports  ALL to check back on google drive for feedback  REGIONAL DIRECTORS total membership; reach out to new schools, without a chapter & CC Sharmila  ALL please respond to our emails and groupme messages in timely fashion

Vice President's Report	<ul> <li>Convention Plans (February) – having an appropriate amount of time and schedule, creating a sponsor list, potential speakers for convention</li> <li>What about finalizing our convention theme?</li> <li>We will need promotional pieces for convention i.e. promo video, flyers/posters</li> <li>We will need to start finalizing details for convention including when we should start selling early bird tickets, and gathering other sponsorships</li> </ul>	ALL graphic design ideas for NSANYS convention due by 10/1/2015; send to our VP Joseph Rivera
Secretary's Report	<ul> <li>We are trying to host next month's meeting at CUNY Hunter* If anyone is having any problems attending, or trying to reach location wise, please let me know ahead of time. We would like more members to be physically present at meetings, more than not.</li> <li>Ideas regarding convention speakers, and promoting monthly themes?</li> </ul>	ALL please keep Marilyn informed regarding attendance  ALL please read bylaws regarding absences  ALL please share thoughts/ideas regarding convention to VPs Joseph and Samantha

Treasurer's Report	<ul> <li>Currently we have \$34,212.52 in our checking account, and \$47,310.69 in our savings account</li> <li>"I, Rachel White, motion to reimburse those (listed below)"         Rachel White = \$50.13 for travel (Aug, Sept) and purchase of stamps         Alisa Sponton = \$17.94 for travel (Sept)         Joseph Rivera seconds, all in favor, none opposed, no abstentions.</li> </ul>	
Stat Editor's Report	<ul> <li>Our Fall STAT letter deadline for all submissions: 10/30/2015</li> <li>Potential article ideas:         <ul> <li>Same &amp; Joe: What to expect for NSANYS convention/theme</li> <li>Sharmila: Having a nursing mentor</li> <li>Alisa: Ms.Colorado+Image of Nursing</li> <li>Emily &amp; Rachel White: Food Not Bombs event</li> <li>Student Spotlight and Interview</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Ashlee to send pictures for Heart 2 Heart event/article  Katelyn to write article on NSNA leadership conference  Isabel to write article on being president of local NSNA school chapter  Need ideas for articles? Please feel free to contact Isabel  Deadline for Fall Edition STAT letter submissions: 10/30/2015
Communication Director's Report	<ul> <li>We need more pictures on social media, how about using fun facts, etc?</li> <li>Email Blast! To be sent to NSNA by the 8<sup>th</sup> of every month; email blast to be sent out every month</li> </ul>	ALL to write a small blurb for upcoming email blast! Need help? Please contact/email Alisa

	<ul> <li>Also in regards to convention and resolutions, please see resolutions folder on google drive</li> <li>Check for scholarly articles i.e. PubMed, journal website, etc</li> <li>Will need to submit resolution by December</li> </ul>	ALL research articles for convention resolution topic
Breakthrough to Nursing Director's Report	Mentorship! Ideas and more     Can we connect with HS students, HS     programs? Prenursing students? Current     nursing students	Forward any/all mentorship info to BTN Director Rachiel  Stephanie & Rachiel to write article for incoming nursing students
Community Health Director's Report	<ul> <li>Upcoming community health events</li> <li>Food Not Bombs event – Tomorrow at 2pm (Hempstead, NY)*please confirm if you will be attendance</li> <li>Breast Cancer Walk – Jones Beach &amp; Central Park locations (Sunday, October 18)</li> </ul>	ALL to sign up for events via doodle  ALL email Ashlee in regards to any future community health events, etc
Regional Director's Report	Metro: Emily, present; current membership: 874, see excel sheet via google drive, which will show membership up to date  LI: Rebecca, present; current membership: 452, a 42 member increase since last meeting, special thanks to SBU NSNA chapter  Some upcoming events for LI region: Involvement in  NYC marathon, how nursing students can become a medical volunteer  Food Not Bombs event  Breast Cancer Walk	Emily to contact Columbia University and any other campuses interested in starting up NSNA chapter  Add Rebecca onto groupme

	- STAT newsletter - Asking members if they'd like to hold an event at their campus  Western: N/A  Mid Hudson: Katelyn, not present  Central: Stephanie, present; current membership: 193, 123 members were added thanks to Mohawk CC and a decline in membership at Hartwick by 48 members	Western regional director position is still vacant. If you know of anyone who would like to apply for the position, please send them an application.
Next Meeting	Saturday, October 24, 5pm     + Location TBD*but possibly at CUNY Hunter	Marilyn to look into hosting November meeting at SBU
Adjournment	Sharmila motions to end meeting. Marilyn seconds. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting is adjourned at 8:24pm.	

Signature:	Signature:
Sharmila Samwaru, President	Marilyn Thomas, Secretary