

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF NURSING
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
Minutes of January 23, 2006

Present: Carol Alexander (by conference call), Jana Berryman, Carol Brautigam, Angela Dougherty (student representative), Eve Hoygaard, President Karren Kowalski, Pat Lambert, Mary McMahon, Dean Pat Moritz, Elizabeth Pace, Sharon Pappas, Wende Reoch (staff)

Location: School of Nursing, Dean's Conference Room

Time: 5:30-7:40 p.m.

Next meeting: March 20, 2006

Dean's Report: The faculty ***Update on Academic Programs*** was distributed and summarized. There are 700 enrolled students plus 100 in extended studies. Clinical Specialists and Midwifery organizations are considering endorsement of the Doctorate of Nurse Practice. CU SON carries both NLN and AACN accreditation. There is a worksite program with UC Hospital for clinical specialists in four areas including acute, critical, palliative-hospice, and children with special needs. Advance Practice in all 50 states will be at the master's level of preparation.

The BSN class for June '06 will accept 200. There will be a second and smaller admission in January. The goal is to respond to the nursing shortage by increasing enrollment at the BSN level since graduate programs are so costly. Graduate programs require a 1:8 ratio. Thus, for 80 Family Nurse Practitioner students there is a need for 10 instructors, and they are very hard to find. For the senior integrated practicum rural students are finding placement in rural areas.

Reunion Activities:

Lola Fehr speaker: Pat Yoder-Wise, ANCC President, will speak for an hour on *Nursing in the Future*, Thursday. There will be a panel of CNO's from magnet hospitals for one hour.

Student Panel: **Angela** will help locate students to participate.

Book signing: (organized by SON, Alumni Office and HSC Bookstore) Thelma Robinson, MS '70 and SONAA member, is the author of two books. Her latest is about the Japanese cadet.

Awards: Linda Smith has been nominated for the alumni for the year award. Karren will get information to Dean Moritz. Clare has information.

The targeted classes are those with 5 year anniversaries (5, 10, 15, etc.).

Carol B. is to call local members of the class of 1971 masters program to encourage reunion attendance. **Shannon Perry** has been asked to write to members of the 1971 to encourage attendance. **Wende** will resend the class lists to Karren and Carol B. and send an ND list to **Jana**.

Advertise in the *Colorado Nurse* for visibility. Board approved expenditure of \$497.08 for ad.

On line directory needs volunteers to review, edit and e-mail. Wende to send an email with details once it is ready for viewing.

2007 Consider a fall reunion.

Student Activities: SONAA Scholarship. A discussion ensued on the level of student that would be most in need. **Eve** will e-mail Clare with names of CU seniors. **Carol A., Jana, Karren, Clare, and Wende** will meet to determine scholarship criteria, the desired benefit of offering a scholarship, and what type of recipient is desired. Arrangements need to be made for an article about the scholarship and the recipient and photos of the award.

Carol A. and Mary Diaz are to participate in the Career Fair in March. **Carol A.** will e-mail Kathy Harris about their participation.

Publications: The newsletter is late. It should be out in 3-4 weeks. **Karren** will discuss with the Dean the impact to the alumni group of the late distribution of the newsletters.

Nominating: There is an urgent need to have President Elect nominations by the March meeting.

Membership: Wende, Mary and Elizabeth met by conference call in December. A draft letter to alumni who have not renewed their membership was edited. Wende explained that it is not currently possible to have automatic withdrawals or electronic registration for members because there is not a secure on-line system for the alumni office and there are expensive bank fees for those services.

Treasurer's Report: The monthly statements compiled by Wende were distributed. The increase in funds is due to an increase in membership.

Keystone: Dates are July 12-16.

Announcements: ANA will present a seminar on Saturday, April 8, in Ft. Collins as part of the series *ANA Comes to You*.

Minutes of the last meeting were not available in hard copy. Carol had sent them to Wende. Wende reviewed and edited them. They will be sent out via e-mail by **Wende/Anthony**.