

## Annual Book of Reports

### November 2020-October 2021 President's Report

The ANA-NY Board of Directors had monthly virtual meetings and one face-to-face meeting in Albany at the ANA-NY office on September 25, 2021.

In addition to the monthly Board meetings, the President attended ANA-NY monthly virtual committee meetings, monthly New York Nursing Alliance meetings (coalition of statewide nurses associations), national Constituent/State Nurse Association (C/SNA) Bi-Monthly Health Policy and GOVA Conference calls, the June 2021 ANA Virtual Assembly meetings and the 2021 ANA Virtual Lobby Day.

President initiatives in 2020-2021:

- October/November 2020: President initiated individual virtual meetings with all ANA-NY Board and Staff members
- November 2020: President implemented a consent agenda to promote efficiency for Board meetings
- December 2020: President Initiated coalition letter (ANA-NY, NYS Council of Deans, Council for Associate Degree Nursing in NYS) to Gov. Cuomo offering support for the Vaccine Distribution and Implementation Task Force from nurses and student nurses across the state
- January 2021: President's proposal for ANA-NY Political Action Committee approved
- February 2021: President's proposed PAC Board: Mel Callan, Treasurer and PAC Board members Linda O'Brien and Beverly Karas Irwin approved
- April 2021: President invited ANA President Ernest Grant to address Board members at April Board meeting to discuss the ANA *National Commission to Address Racism in Nursing*, a coalition with 19 national nurses organization
- June 2021: President's proposal for revised committee and chair appointment process approved
- August 2021: President's ANA-NY Position Statement on mandatory vaccination of health care workers supporting the national mandate by ANA, AMA and AHA approved by Board.
- August 2021: President proposed ANA-NY application for Project Firstline grant from ANA
  - Proposal for \$10,000 to participate in Project Firstline by ED Jeanine Santelli, President Marilyn Dollinger and Education Committee Chair Susan Birkhead was successful

2021-2022 Goals

- Successful launch and fundraising for ANA-NY Political Action Committee (PAC)
  - With the 2022 election season coming quickly, ANA-NY needs to raise funds to support state candidates and incumbents who are meeting the health care needs of New York and supporting nursing workforce priorities.
  - President Dollinger has donated \$1000 to the PAC and urges all ANA-NY founding members to match this donation in the inaugural PAC year.
  - All ANA-NY members are asked to donate \$10 for every year they have been in practice as a nurse.
  - Or...Give any amount you can and let's have 100% member participation and put our PAC on the map!

- Revise UG Nursing Student Leadership Awards program
  - This program was suspended in 2021 and will be reinstated with updated criteria
  - ANA-NY will encourage schools to have faculty participate in ANA-NY and reward their new and emerging leaders with this award.
- Hire new staff: Associate for Member Engagement
  - Partially funded by the ANA Project First line grant the first year
  - Put ANA-NY resources to work to support member engagement
  - Provide staff support to ensure success of Project Firstline, Nurses Supporting Nurses, regional events and other member engagement programs and services
  - More robust programs and offerings will improve member retention
- Have all ANA-NY committees set goals and focus on deliverables for membership
  - Focused initiatives with specific outcomes by every ANA-NY committee will improve committee member participation and deliverables for all members
- Increase numbers of members voting in elections
  - Recent elections have had participation rates of less than 1% of members
  - All members need to have information to educate them about the offices and candidates and incentives to vote so they can actively participate in ANA-NY governance
- Continue to grow membership:
  - 2022 is the 10 year anniversary of the founding of ANA-NY
  - The goal is 10,000 members in 10 years
  - If every current ANA-NY member recruited one new member, we would surpass this goal so the interests of all nurses in New York state would be better represented