

ANA-NY
Board of Directors Microsoft Teams Conference Meeting
August 27, 2025

PRESIDING: Connie Perkins, President

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OFFICERS: Connie Perkins, President; Tanya Drake, Vice President; Kimberly Velez, Secretary; and Lee Mancuso, Treasurer

DIRECTORS: Giselle Gerardi, Seon Lewis-Holman, and Teddi Levine

ABSENT: Kerlene Richards

EXCUSED: Alison Simpson

STAFF: Jeanine Santelli, Executive Director and Kennedee Blanchard, Member Engagement Associate

GUESTS: Amy Kellogg, Lobbyist; Maria Dobkowski, Marketing Strategy Associate; and Sarah Miner

Topic	Discussion	Resolution
CALL TO ORDER		President Perkins called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm on Wednesday, August 27, 2025. President Perkins read the ANA-NY mission statement.
ATTENDANCE	Quorum Present	Secretary Velez took attendance and declared a quorum was present.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	See attached NSO Annual Report Meet Maria Dobkowski, our new Marketing Strategy Associate. She has been with ANA-NY for officially a month now. Silent Auction Donations: Need to know what Board Members will be donating by 10/1 at the latest.	

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	<p>White Papers: Maternal Mortality and Healthcare Worker Mental Health. Send any edits to Executive Director Santelli by 9/12.</p> <p>RN to BS Nurse Fellowship: No legitimate applications submitted this year.</p>	
ANAI REPORT	Sarah Miner was the 2024-2025 ANAI candidate and Marilyn Dollinger was Sarah's state mentor for the program. For her project, she submitted an abstract for the Annual Conference, which she and her fellow co-authors will be presenting. She also participates in the Policy & Advocacy SIG and Chairs the Legislation Committee.	
LOBBYIST'S REPORT	<p>There is still no Federal budget right now, so Congress will be returning next week to try and approve one.</p> <p>Amy and Executive Director Santelli attended the Lobbyist's meeting in Washington D.C. on August 25-26, where 42 other states were represented.</p>	
CONSENT AGENDA	MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA – TANYA DRAKE/TEDDI LEVINE	APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
TREASURER'S REPORT	See attached P&L, Budget vs. Actual and balance sheets.	
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	OA Innovation Grant: Since the grant was first established in 2024, we have received 2 applications, for which only one OA received grant money. The Board discussed if we should continue offering the grant.	

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	<p>MOTION TO CONTINUE OA INNOVATION GRANT – TANYA DRAKE/LEE MANCUSO RN-BS Nurse Fellowship: Since the Fellowship was first established in 2023, we have only received and awarded 1 applicant. The Board discussed if we should continue offering the Fellowship. Giselle Gerardi suggests putting the call out in either the fall or spring semester and not during the summer.</p> <p>MOTION TO CONTINUE RN-BS NURSE FELLOWSHIP AS IS WITH \$1,500 STIPEND AND CONFERENCE REIMBURSEMENT WITH CHANGE IN TIMELINE TO MARCH– GISELLE GERARDI/SEON LEWIS-HOLMAN</p>	<p>APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
NEW BUSINESS	No new business to discuss	
UPCOMING EVENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exhibiting at NYONL, White Plains, 9/7-9 ▪ ANA Special Meeting of MA, 9/11 ▪ Exhibiting at NYSANA, Long Island, 9/19-21 ▪ Nightingale Gala, Albany, 9/20 ▪ BOD, 9/24/25 ▪ Exhibiting at WNY/Finger Lakes Region Nursing Research Day, Buffalo, 9/29 ▪ 13th Annual Conference Be Empowered Through Change, TWA Hotel @ JFK, Queens, NY, 10/9/25-10/11/25 https://www.twahotel.com/ ▪ Advocacy Day, 4/28/26 ▪ 14th Annual Conference, ESP (Effective, Social & Professional) Essential Skills of Nursing, Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, NY, 11/12/26- 	

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	11/14/26 https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/albtygi-hilton-garden-inn-troy/ <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 15th Annual Conference, Woodcliff, Fairport, NY, 10/14/27-10/17/27 https://woodcliffhotelspa.com/	
ADJOURNMENT	No further business.	President Perkins adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kennedee Blanchard, Member Engagement Associate