

NDSNO Executive Committee Meeting IVN 3-28-06

Members present: Linda Wright, Nancy Leith, Phyllis Hanson, Lorie Martel, Cindy Omdahl and Kathy Mack.

Phyllis gave an update on the treasurer's report after the last meeting. Nine new members joined for the 3-15-06 meeting for a total of \$225.00 and \$835.00 was received in registration. In addition we needed to deduct \$50.00 for the contact hours and \$10.00 for postage. Therefore the final budget from the meeting was + \$775.00. Overall the attendance was great. Nancy indicated that the overall response on the evaluations were positive. Some suggestions for improvement were to have a handout of the presentations, and if possible have the voice and the face connect when someone was speaking. Some other general comments were to have more time for questions, possibly reduce the cost when no lunch, and have each individual site use name plates of the county they represent. Another question asked was for future topics to present for contact hours included:

- Diabetes management in the school student
- Pediatric assessment
- Vision screening in elementary students
- Children with severe emotional needs
- Chronic pain management
- What to do with children whose parents do not complete their health forms or emergency plans

The Healthy Weight position paper discussion took place on having the NDSNO endorse the paper. There have only been a few minor changes since the last time the group read the document. It was agreed upon to support the paper.

Upcoming meetings were discussed and for August it was felt that doing the August meeting as an IVN would be beneficial. Possibly do on the 17th. As for the October meeting that would be on October 19, 2006 in Bismarck during the Teachers Convention. During the August meeting the executive committee will need to have some nominations for president elect and for treasurer, being both of those terms are done in October at the annual meeting. Also during the August meeting we would need to revisit the subcommittee assignments and duties of those committees. These groups could easily meet per IVN. Kathy Mack will send out an email of the current assignments and encourage the groups to meet per IVN. Also to encourage them to use the listserve as a method to get questions answered about daily activities or for problem solving. Another discussion was about the change from the NASN director being a four year commitment rather than a two year.

NDSNO website and NDSNO coolist listserv was discussed. Currently both of these sites are being updated by the state consultant. This is a job that the state consultant can no longer be in charge of. In order to do the website a computer needs the program Front Page. The coolist serve was developed as a possible site to do lobbying on. A question was posed if local public health agencies could be the site due to policy on lobbying. Therefore it was an issue if both list serves need to be in place. The school list serve goes to a broader audience while the coolist serve only goes to NDSNO members. Further discussion will need to be done on this issue. After the meeting Lorie emailed the group and felt that possibly the solution would be to delete the coolist serve and only use the NDSNO broad list serve.

The committee thanked Lorie for all of her hard work for the organization and for school nursing. She will be done working for the health department on 3-31-06. Until a replacement is hired, school issues will be addressed by Kim Senn.

Submitted by Nancy Leith, RN Secretary