



BOARDROOM NOTES

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The Board of Directors met on May 27 & 28, 2013 at NANB Headquarters in Fredericton.

Policy Review

The Board reviewed policies related to:

- **Governance Process**
- **Executive Limitations**
- **Board-Executive Director Relationship**

New Policy:

The Board of Directors approved a new policy GP-16, Board Development.

Proposed By-law Revision Amendment Resolution:

The Board of Directors approved proposed revisions to the amendment of By-laws 12.01, 12.02, 12.06 and 13.07 to enable the Board to approve the use of other valid and reliable methods of voting to elect members to the Board to be presented at the Annual General Meeting for member consideration.

Organizational Performance: Monitoring

The Board approved monitoring reports for the Executive Limitations; Governance Process Policies; and Board-Executive Director Relationship.

Committee Appointments Public Director Vacancies:

The Board of Directors is composed of 12 members, three of whom are members of the public. The role of the public director is to provide the Board with a public, non-nursing, consumer perspective on issues as they relate to nursing and health care in New Brunswick.

The term of one public director, Roland Losier, will expire August 31, 2011. This public director position is appointed by the Minister of Health from a list of candidates submitted by the NANB. The appointment is for a two year term effective September 1, 2013.

The Board approved the following three nominees:

- Edward Dubé, Edmundston, NB
- Pauline Fournier, Petit-Rocher, NB
- Gérald Pelletier, Beresford, NB

Director Region 3 Appointment

The Board approved the following process for appointment indicating that RNs in Region 3 be informed of the vacant position on the Board and be asked to indicate their interest in filling the position by submitting a Nomination Form, résumé and a brief statement explaining their reason for submitting the nomination. A replacement would then be selected by the Board from the nominations submitted. The term of appointment would be from September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2014.

Executive Committee:

The President and President-Elect are members of the Executive Committee along with two region directors and one public director. The Board appointed the following directors for a one-year term, effective September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2014 and are as follows:

- Chantal Saumure, RN, Director – Region 1
- Linda LePage-LeClair, RN, Director – Region 5
- Wayne Trail, Public Director

The Nursing Education Advisory Committee:

- Dawn Haddad, staff educator, Miramichi Regional Hospital, Miramichi (new)
- France Chassé, nurse educator, Université de Moncton, Edmundston (new)
- Claudia McCloskey, nurse educator, University of New Brunswick, Moncton (new)
- Lynn Comerford, experienced clinical nurse, Oromocto Public Hospital (re-appointment)

The Complaints Committee:

- Michelle Cronin, staff nurse, Bobby's Hope House- hospice, Saint John (new)
- Solange Arseneau, coordinator of new products and staff attendance, Vitalité Health Network-Zone 6, Bathurst (new)
- Gail Duperé, supervisor/coordinator informatics, Campbellton Regional Hospital, Campbellton (new)
- Jeannita Sonier, retired educator, Néguaac, Public Member (re-appointment)
- Albert Martin, retired educator, St-Basile, Public Member (new)

The Discipline/Review Committee

- Jenny Toussaint, nurse manager, Edmundston Regional Hospital, Edmundston (new)
- Claudette Finnigan, public health nurse, Public Health, Bathurst (new)
- Marie Chase, staff educator, Dr. Everett Chalmers Regional Hospital, Fredericton (re-appointment)
- Cindy Crossman, staff nurse, Health Services Clinic, Mount Allison University (re-appointment)
- Monique Mallet-Boucher, nurse educator, University of New Brunswick, Moncton (re-appointment)
- Paul Rousselle, nurse manager, Chaleur Regional Hospital, North Tetagouche (re-appointment)
- Charles Flewelling, retired educator, Moncton, Public Member (re-appointment)

Nursing Education Advisory Committee (NEAC)

The Board approved the re-appointment of Janet MacDonnell and Lynne Theriault-Sehgal and the appointment of Martha Vickers to the Nurse Practitioner Therapeutics Committee for the term September 1, 2013 through August 31st, 2015.

*For further information and to submit nominations for consideration, members can refer to the NANB website or call toll free 1-800-442-4417.

2013 NANB Awards

The Board accepted recommendations of the 2013 award recipients from the Awards Selection Committee.

Awards were presented during the 2013 Gala Awards Banquet, May 29th, 2013. Pictured above (left to right) are:

- **Rose McCloskey**, Award of Merit: Education
- **Lucille Auffrey**, Life Membership Award
- **Suzanne Robichaud**, Award of Merit: Administration
- **Sherry Gionet**, Excellence in Clinical Practice Award
- **Liette Mainville**, Award of Merit: Nursing Practice

NANB Documents

The Board approved the following:

Document(s):

- *Entry-Level Competencies for Registered Nursing in New Brunswick (2013, revised)*
- *Continuing Competence Program (2013, revised)*

Position Statement:

- *Violence in the Workplace (retired)*

*All documents & position statements are available on the NANB website or call toll free 1- 800-442-4417.

Nursing Education Advisory Committee (NEAC)

The Board approved the NEAC's recommendations that the University of New Brunswick baccalaureate of nursing program be granted an approval status for five (5) years; and the University of New Brunswick baccalaureate of nursing program provide a progress report by May 31, 2014 outlining measures taken to address the recommendations identified in the Approval Review Team Report as requiring follow-up within one year.

Presentation(s)

Maurice Robichaud and Pamela Mackay of **Connexions +** provided an overview of recent public and member survey findings which focused on identifying member concerns and priorities and measuring the public as well as registered nurses and nurse practitioners understanding of NANB's regulatory role and the responsibilities of RNs and NPs as regulated health professionals. Findings will inform future NANB planning and initiatives.

The Canadian Nurses Association's (CNA) Barbara Mildon, President and Rachel Bard, CEO provided the Board with an overview of CNA's Governance Journey and how the proposed changes that will affect who the members are at an AGM, as well as who votes and who sits at the board table.

Chantal Leonard, Chief Executive Officer with **the Canadian Nurses Protective Society (CNPS)** provided an update to the Board on behalf of CNPS.

Next Board

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held at the NANB Headquarters on October 16, 17 & 18, 2013.

Observers are welcome at all Board of Directors meetings, please contact Paulette Poirier, Executive Assistant / Corporate Secretary at ppoirier@nanb.nb.ca or call (506)459-2858 / 1-800-442-4417.

97th Annual General Meeting & Invitational Forum

The 97th Annual General Meeting & Invitational Forum occurred on May 28 & 29, 2013 at the Delta Hotel, Fredericton. Approximately 250 RNs were in attendance over the two days of meetings. An overview of the Auditor's Report and highlights of activities current and future were presented.

For interested members, the 2012 Annual Report including the 2012 Auditor's Report is available on the NANB website under About Us/Annual Reports (www.nanb.nb.ca).

Invitational Forum:

The Changing Face of Professionalism

NANB hosted an Invitational Forum for members and stakeholders to remind registered nurses they are expected to demonstrate professional presence and model professional behaviour in the workplace. Discussions highlighted how professionalism can speak to multigenerational nurses and reflect on today's realities in the healthcare workplace.

Video presentations can be accessed via NANB's website.

Board of Directors 2012-2013

President – France Marquis, RN
 President-elect – Darline Cogswell, RN
 Director, Region 1 – Chantal Saumure, RN
 Director, Region 2 – Terry-Lynne King, RN
 Director, Region 3 – VACANT, RN
 Director, Region 4 – Noelline LeBel, RN
 Director, Region 5 – Linda LePage-LeClair, RN
 Director, Region 6 – Marius Chiasson, RN
 Director, Region 7 – Rhonda Shaddick, RN
 Public Director – Fernande Chouinard
 Public Director- Wayne Trail
 Public Director – Roland Losier