



Southern Nursing Research Society 2013 Annual Board/Committee Report

Name of Board Member or Committee: Patricia B. Crane, President

Activities and Accomplishments:

1. Appointed the following individuals to chair Task Force to determine essential points needed on our website. Michael Young (chair). Based on the tasks forces recommendations and in concert with C. Munro and D. Scott-Tilley, we developed a Request for Proposals to send to vendors for creation of the website. Three proposals were received and one selected by the board.
2. Established a reciprocal collaboration with the American Association of Historical nursing.
3. Developed a letter explaining to members the process in making the decision to add a journal for the membership. This letter was sent to all persons questioning the new form/cost. One member provided excellent feedback and the membership form was revised based on these recommendations.
4. Marti Rice was the chair of the Nominations and Succession Planning committee. Marti contacted the Chairs of the Standing Committee of SNRS, the Officers, and the RIG chairs for names of possible nominees. Additionally, she developed an e-blast to encourage members to become involved by running of office. A very geographically diverse ballot was generated.
5. Sent letters of appreciation to outgoing committee members.
6. Charged the Awards Committee to consider award for nurses conducting research practice.
7. SNRS report to the Steering Committee of the council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS) and the Nursing Roundtable. Attended the CANS Special Topic meeting in October attend Nursing Roundtable March 2013. Volunteered for SNRS to host this meeting in the spring of 2015 in concert with NINR.
8. Research in Nursing and Health: finalized contract, worked with Donna Scott Tilley on production schedule and produced multiple President's messages; negotiated with them on other issues related to production and members benefits.
9. Invited all past award winners and former board members to attend Circle of Scholars reception at the Annual Conference. Additionally, asked each board member and current Circle of Scholar member to 'recruit' one person to attend the Circle of Scholars reception.
10. Worked with S. Davis in re-conceptualizing/re-energizing the RIGs for this year.



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11. Changed mission from Advance Nursing Research to Advancing Nursing Research to be more active. This mission statement was added as a tagline under the logo.
12. Set agendas and chaired the midyear meeting in San Antonio, TX.
13. Working to engage senior scientist. Moderating a panel to discuss research in the current environment.
14. Continued to review policy and procedures to reflect current issues.
15. Challenged each board member to support the financial campaign.
16. Contributed to Southern Connections as President's Pen.

Current or Upcoming Issues and/or Challenges:

1. Continue to examine all programs in light of our mission and evaluate the return on investment (ROI) for membership.
2. Ongoing: Continue monitoring of the budget and finances.
3. Investigate other revenue and ROI events such as quarterly webinars and continuing education and how to use the new website for maximum return on investment.
4. Strengthen efforts to grow the research funds through development and contributions with 2-year campaign continuing at Annual Conference 2014.
5. Develop clear policies and by-laws related to incorporating the Student Network into the governance of the organization.
6. Define and support other ways to engage current members and industry in advancing nursing research in the South.
7. Consider a mechanism to engage former leadership to maintain energy in moving the organization to meet strategic endeavors of current leadership.