

WCN
Executive Committee
Date: 1/14/2026
Time: 1800
Microsoft Teams Meeting

In Attendance:

x	Linda Young
Regrets	Amy Hermes
x	Kerri Kliminski
x	Kelly Kruse Nelles
x	Tom Veaser
Guests/Optional	
	Bri Dunbar

Mission: The mission of the Wisconsin Center for Nursing is to assure an adequate, well-prepared and diverse nurse workforce for the people of Wisconsin.

Vision: Nurses in Wisconsin speak with one voice for nursing workforce issues.

Wisconsin State Statute 106.30(5b)

(b) A statewide nursing center that receives a grant under par. (a) shall use the grant moneys to develop strategies to ensure that there is a nursing workforce that is adequate to meet the current and future health care needs of this state. The statewide nursing center may use those moneys to fund activities that are aimed at ensuring such a nursing workforce, including monitoring trends in the applicant pool for nursing education programs; evaluating the effectiveness of nursing education programs in increasing access to those programs and in enhancing career mobility for nurses, especially for populations that are underrepresented in the nursing profession; and facilitating partnerships between the nursing community and other health care providers, the department of safety and professional services, the business community, the legislature, and educators to promote diversity within the nursing profession, enhance career mobility and leadership development for nurses, and achieve consensus regarding policies aimed at ensuring an adequate nursing workforce in this state.

WCN Executive Strategic Priorities

- Financial sustainability of the Center
- Engagement of Board members with the work of the Center
- Building the relevance and reputation of the center as a leader in Wisconsin nursing workforce issues

Announcements/Updates/Upcoming Meetings-Projects

- January 14 & 28, 2026 Executive Committee
- January 30, 2026 0900-1500 Executive Committee Retreat. Stoughton Hospital
- 2-11-25 Full Board Virtual
- 2-25-25 Executive Committee
- March 11 & 25 Executive Committee
- April F2F annual In person TBD- April 8 conflicts with ANEW
- Full Board Meetings (new cadence) VIRTUAL except April 1800-1930

<u>Agenda item</u>	<u>Discussion/Resolution</u>	<u>Follow-up/timeline</u>
Kelly Updates	<p>Status LPN UW Contract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending UW review • Offered \$13,500 d/t then paying statistician • Work is complete ; contract not returned • Dec 1 work being presented by graduate students to Kelly & Kerri <p>RN UW Contract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decision to advance RN contract to UW at \$18,000 <p>Kelly will moderate at Nurses Day at the Capitol- Leg break out Other break outs: AI Center</p> <p>Conference: Bri created branding- approved with an alternate, non-British picture if available</p> <p>Bri creating conference timeline</p> <p>Kelly met with technology team today. Reinforced we need to use our own materials. Should always link to article vs repost.</p> <p>Kelly in conversation with Oneida re: emergency preparedness training for nurses and some non-nursing. If moves forward, perhaps use funding for website revamp</p>	<p>Still no word</p> <p>Still no word</p> <p>Add to future agenda what standards and variables for survey fee/cost. (number of responses, graduate student funds needed, statistician work) Perhaps add to Data Committee agenda</p>
Strategic Planning Agenda	<u>Agenda</u> January 30- Tom unable to attend	Plan for K2 & Kelly at scheduled meeting next week

	<p>Items:</p> <p>Workplan review</p> <p>Structural/foundation work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board orientation/repopulating the board- who will strengthen the board? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grant experience ○ Institutional representation ○ Regional representation • Planning the years full board meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inviting affiliates in at end of meetings • Bylaws 	<p>to identify if we shift to new date/time, stick with date and shift to on-line or continue with January 30 and whomever can join.</p>
<p>Misc</p>	<p>April In Person annual meeting: When & Where?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, April 8 & 9 ANEW and WTCS Dean all day meetings • Perhaps start at 1130 and start with social time and lunch?- W-R-F options • Goals: meet and connect, election of officers, annual budget approval, review of strategic plan for discussion • Location: ? Madison, Watertown <p>Any additional ideas for connections</p> <p>WCN Graduate student- Desiree- Ian to have her do survey summary booklets</p>	<p>Bri to craft a Doodle poll regarding preferred day of the week/date, time, location</p> <p>Goal to confirm at February meeting</p>
<p>Budget</p>	<p>Status of outstanding bills:</p> <p>\$1300 Due to Pic Right for copyright violation (Same thing happened with WNA for speaker PP and music- they took the info down, waited and it was not pursued). Pic from Associated Press during COVID.</p> <p>Schedule of Executive committee meetings with Marcus- Kelly meeting monthly Plan for Tom to prep with Kelly and Marcus ahead of board meetings</p>	<p>Plan for Marcus to send documents to Kelly and Tom monthly for email questions and in person only if needed.</p>

	<p>\$1,808 WCMEW Council Contribution- Marcus did find past invoices x 5 years. Has not been in the budget. WNA is not going to contribute this year. ROI does not appear to be worthwhile for us to continue contribution. Perhaps request an adjustment? Expenditure was not accounted for on budget in a line item perhaps because the credit card was used?</p> <p>Data meetings vs council meetings- Linda may be attending data and Kelly the council meetings.</p>	<p>Plan for Marcus to attend board meeting for a budget prep and approval</p> <p>Kelly will connect with Tim or George to ascertain if it is important to be at the table</p>
<p>Parking Lot</p>	<p>Development of Credit Card Reconciliation Policy</p> <p>Discussion re: identifying a shared document repository/ meeting invitation/email</p> <p>Bylaw needs: How to manage Board Reserve- How approvals and money mangment goes. Then how to build and mange reserves Ensure no statement regarding audit in bylaws</p>	
<p>Next Meeting:</p>	<p>Plan to add Executive Committee meeting January 28 back on the schedule-</p> <p>Friday, January 30 0900-1500 Stoughton Hospital TBD if continue in person, virtual or reschedule</p> <p>Full Board Meeting February 11 1800-1930</p>	