

2009 California Nursing Students' Association

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

ID #	Current Bylaw	Proposed Revision	Rationale
I	<p>ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL OF CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES (COCR) Section 3. Purpose</p>	<p><u>D. COCR shall serve as a resource and provide support for existing chapters, schools with CNSA members but no chapter, geographically close chapters wishing to coordinate activities and other activities related to the recruitment and retention of members in CNSA.</u></p>	<p>The functions of membership recruitment and retention, as well as giving support to existing & potential chapters seems best met through the Council of Chapter Representatives. The General Membership/Recruitment Committee identified in the bylaws has never met.</p>
II	<p>ARTICLE IX. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS Section 2. Duties B. The Vice President shall: 1. Preside at association meetings in the absence of the President.</p>	<p>B. The Vice President shall: 1. Preside at association meetings <u>and act on behalf of the President</u> in the absence of the President.</p>	<p>Current language is too limiting in that it only provides for the Vice President to preside at meetings when the president is not available. It is sometimes necessary for the Vice President to fill in for the</p>

			president in other ways than just presiding at meetings.
III	<p>ARTICLE IX. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS</p> <p>Section 2. Duties</p> <p>F. The Legislative Director shall:</p>	<p><u>13. Oversee the Nursing Student in Sacramento Internship program.</u></p>	<p>The mission on CNSA is to foster nursing education, facilitate early unity among future colleagues in nursing and optimize the nursing student's professional development. To that end, the Nursing Student in Sacramento Internship (NSSI) is a program available to CNSA members. This internship is a health policy immersion program. CNSA members experience firsthand the role of professional organizations in the formation and discussions related to policy development that directly impacts the practice of nursing, patient safety and quality patient care. Two CNSA students will be selected each year for this committee.</p>
IV	<p>ARTICLE XI. ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES</p> <p>Section 1. Definition</p> <p>The association committees of CNSA shall be Legislative/Resolution, and Break Through to Nursing, Bylaws, Convention, Communication, Community Health, and</p>	<p>Section 1. Definition</p> <p>The association committees of CNSA shall be Legislative/Resolution, Break Through to Nursing, Bylaws, Convention, Communication, <u>and</u> Community Health, and</p>	<p>General membership and recruitment is currently a function performed by all board members. The Membership/Recruitment committee has never formed and</p>

	<p>General Membership/Recruitment. Section 2. Appointment Committee members shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors with consideration of recommendations made by the chairpersons of each committee. Appointments to committees are for a one year term but members may be reappointed to the committee to serve consecutive terms.</p>	<p>General Membership/Recruitment. Section 2. Appointment <u>A. Association Committees are chaired as outlined within these bylaws.</u> <u>B. Committee chairs shall submit the names of CNSA members willing to serve on the committee to the President for appointment.</u> C. Committee members shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors with consideration of recommendations made by the chairpersons of each committee. <u>D. Appointments to committees are for a one year term but members may be reappointed to the committee to serve consecutive terms.</u></p> <p><u>Section 3. Functions</u> <u>Committees shall develop functions and procedures and submit them annually to the Board of Directors,</u></p>	<p>met. Most functions regarding recruitment and retention seem appropriate for the Council of Chapter Representatives. Clarifying that it is the responsibility of each committee chair to submit names of CNSA members interested and willing to serve on each committee.</p>
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