



**Alliance for Nursing Informatics**

Governing Directors Town Hall

September 16, 2008

2:00pm to 3:00pm central

Dial In: (877) 864-2828

Attendee access code: 670053#

**Minutes**

Attendees:

AMIA – Carole Gassert *co-chair*, Karen Greenwood *staff liaison*, Judy Effken *rep*

ANI Connection – Deb Lewis

ANIA – Curtis Dikes *steering committee*

ASCI – Jacqueline Moss *rep*

CARING – Jerry Chamberlain *steering committee*, Sue Newbold *rep*

HIMSS – Christel Anderson *staff liaison*, Mimi Hassett *rep*, Joyce Sensmeier *co-chair*

HITSP – Greg Alexander

INFO – Cindy Struk *rep*

Meditech Nurse Informatics Program– Cathy Turner *rep*

MINING – Julia Behrenbeck *rep*

MNRS – Greg Alexander *rep*

NCNA CONI – Deb Aldridge *rep*

NISCNE – Mark Sugrue *rep*

TIGER – Donna Dulong

UNIN – Kathy Sward *rep*

Absent:

AORN

AWHONN

Cerner Nursing Advisory Board

CSRA-CIN

CHIN

DVNCCN

HINJ

NANDA International

PISUG

PSNI

SCINN

SNOMED CT Nursing Working Group

**I. Welcome and Call to Order**

Joyce Sensmeier called the meeting to order at 2:03pm CDT.

**II. Approval of Minutes – June 17, 2008**

Correction to Minutes:

- At the top of the first page – remove number formatting from title
- HITSP Activity Update – replace “use phases” with “use cases.”



- Other Business – insert the time the meeting ended

**MOTION:** Mimi Hassett moved to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2008 meeting with changes as identified above. Mark Sugrue seconded the motion. Motion approved.

### **III. ANI Operating Guidelines Revision**

Karen Greenwood reported that 85% of membership organizations have voted and affirmed the changes to the ANI Operating Guidelines.

**ACTION:** Membership organizations that have not yet voted on the revised Operating Guidelines are asked to submit their vote to Karen Greenwood [Karen@amia.org](mailto:Karen@amia.org) by September 19, 2008.

### **IV. TIGER Initiative Activity Update**

Donna DuLong provided an update on the nine TIGER Initiative collaborative teams and workgroups. Many presentations have been given on both the regional and national level; several collaborative team leaders will be presenting at the upcoming Magnet Conference. The collaborative teams are in the process of creating recommendations for the final reports to be released this fall. The Virtual Demonstration Center is seeking participants for the fall demonstration center which will be held at the HIMSS Virtual Conference November 19 and 20, 2008. More information is available at: <http://tigervirtualdemo.pbwiki.com/>

### **V. HITSP Activity Update**

Greg Alexander and Joyce Sensmeier provided an update on HITSP noting the project activity. The following six new Interoperability Specifications (IS), related constructs and other IS updates will be available at the end of September for public comment for the Inspection Testing and public comment phase of the HITSP Harmonization Process:

- IS08 - Personalized Healthcare
- IS09 - Consultations and Transfers of Care
- IS10 - Immunizations and Response Management
- IS11 - Public Health Case Reporting
- IS12 - Patient – Provider Secure Messaging
- IS77 - Remote Monitoring

Joyce highlighted the “Consultations and Transfers of Care IS” and “Remote Monitoring IS” would be of interest for ANI member organizations to comment on.

**ACTION:** Once the documents are available for public comment Greg will send a notification to the list serv.



## **VI. CIN Activity Update**

Deb Lewis provided update on CIN/ANI Connections. Deb informed Governing Directors that ANI Member organization updates are needed for each issue. These updates should reflect the member organizations strategic initiatives; national activities; key local/statewide initiatives, member news and awards. All ANI members have the opportunity to submit member organization updates. The group agreed that a piece should be authored on the challenges and solutions of a documentation system in an integrated environment.

**ACTION:** Carole Gassert will forward article suggestions to Deb Lewis.

## **V. ANI Organization Updates**

In preparation for today's Town Hall meeting, the Steering Committee requested a response to the following question:

1. Briefly describe two recent projects or updates from your organization that you would like our other ANI organizations to know about.
  - a.
  - b.

Membership organization updates have been provided below.

**AORN:** n/a

### **AMIA:**

Our major activities this year have focused on two areas: educational outreach and increasing and mobilizing our membership.

#### 1a. Educational Outreach

- Our longest running activity, perhaps, is the History Project, in which we are interviewing nursing informatics pioneers and making those interviews available to individuals, schools, etc. Interviews with two of our leaders are now on the pilot website and the committee has completed the final editing of the transcripts, which will be posted in pdf format on the website. We anticipate that by Nov 1, 10 videos will be available. We anticipate that these will ultimately be housed on the new AMIA website. We will be looking for good use cases that demonstrate their utility.
- Our first podcast features Normal Lange and is available on the AMIA website. Initial feedback from users was very positive. Another podcast is planned for this fall/winter.
- We have submitted 6 articles solicited from NI-WG members to JAMIA for a special section on Nursing Informatics aimed at the general topic of Generating New Knowledge from the EHR. Articles were reviewed by two of the Leadership Team, who worked to help authors polish their manuscripts. If articles are not accepted by JAMIA, we will assist the authors in finding other opportunities to submit them.



- We were asked by Nursing Management to submit articles for that journal; three have been submitted and two published so far. The third is in press.
  - Based on member feedback, we restructured our educational offerings during AMIA to flow through the entire symposium, including a full-day tutorial, a morning strategic planning workshop, a student focus group session, our annual meeting, panels, papers, posters, and a reception.
  - Members requested more information about standards, including who they might contact among our membership for more information. We will be surveying the members in October to collect this information and then devising creative ways to make that information available to the group.
- 1b. Increasing and Mobilizing our Membership
- We distributed a “Getting Involved” questionnaire at our annual membership meeting last November that allowed members to volunteer to work on different initiatives or even suggest new ones. We have used the results of that survey as a way to identify members for various projects. As a result, we have involved many more members—and the energy level is visibly increased.
  - Our membership subcommittee has designed new NI-WG brochures and created business card stickers for the Leadership Team.
  - “Nursing Informatics” ribbons will be available at the Fall Symposium for members.

**ANIA:**

- 1a. ANIA and CARING are working strongly toward the goal of merging into one organization
- 1b. ANIA and CARING have begun work on the planning for the joint educational nursing informatics conference in Las Vegas on April 24, 25 w/pre-conference on 23rd

**ASCI:**

- 1a. Development of mentorship project proposal to ANI
- 1b. Meetings offered to groups attending via distance

**AWOHNN: n/a**

**CARING:**

- 1a. A task force of CARING and ANIA Board members (called the Guiding Council) has been meeting to work out the logistics of merging the two organizations. There is a planned joint meeting of the ANIA and CARING Boards October 18-29, 2008 to further these plans. A member survey will soon be sent out to both organizations. It is expected that the joint organization (ANIA-CARING) will be officially announced April 2009.
- 1b. CARING luncheon at AMIA November 10, 2008, Washington, DC., 12 noon to 1:30pm. Luncheon speaker and topic tba.

**Cerner Nursing Advisory Board *affiliate member: n/a***



**CSRA-CIN: n/a**

**CHIN: n/a**

**DVNCN: n/a**

**HINJ: n/a**

**HIMSS:**

1a. Planning for HIMSS '09 NI Symposium for April '09 is progressing with a focus on leadership development topics. We are currently finalizing the topics and speakers for the sessions. Here is the press release information:

*The conference symposium, "Leaders Optimizing Healthcare Outcomes through Informatics," gives attendees an insight into the multi-faceted leadership roles of the nurse informaticist. One of the most popular and well-attended educational events at the conference, the Nursing Informatics Symposium brings together more than 400 nurses from across the globe to hear from experts on:*

- *Process innovation through work redesign*
- *Realizing outcomes from EMR adoption*
- *Role of chief nursing informatics officer versus chief nursing officer*
- *Preventing never events, and more*

*Co-chairs of the event are Joyce Sensmeier, MS, RN-BC, CPHIMS, FHIMSS, Vice President, Informatics, HIMSS, and Mimi Hassett, MS, RN, FHIMSS, Independent Informatics Consultant. For nurses new to informatics, the half-day Pre- Nursing Informatics Symposium on Friday afternoon, April 3, 2009, provides foundational concepts of nursing informatics from 1-4:30 p.m. CDT at McCormick Place . This session is free to those who register for the full-day Nursing Informatics Symposium on Saturday, April 4, from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. CDT. Cost for this session is \$275. Continuing education credits will be awarded.*

*On Saturday afternoon, attendees can select sessions from one of two tracks: Optimizing workflow through Process Improvement or Driving Metrics through Data Optimization. The recipient of the 2009 Nursing Informatics Leadership Award will be announced on Saturday with a closing keynote presenter who will offer an insightful and actionable summary of the symposium's topics.*

*Visit <http://www.himssconference.org/education/symposia.aspx> to learn more about Nursing Informatics and other symposia offered at HIMSS09.*

1b. HIMSS NI Committee and Taskforce are reviewing the current structure and relationship between the two groups. The review is an effort to better define the communications between the two groups, outline and distribution of work between the committee and taskforce members, and enhance a means to identify members concerns/needs and market trends to better develop future goals.



**INFO:**

1a. To strengthen collaborative relationships between the practice setting and the academic setting. This is an effort to better prepare students for informatics applications in practice and to encourage informatics practice settings to allow for student experiences. We are starting this initiative with a CE presentation by Brent Thompson focusing on the NLN position statement of May 9, 2008 regarding preparing the next generation of nurses to practice in a technology environment.

**Meditech Nurse Informatics Program:**

1a. April 2008 - Onsite board meeting conducted.

April 2008 Held Nursing Informatics Workshop: "Driving Clinical Excellence" for 250 attendees with remote access by an additional 50.

1b. Planning and contact hour submission for Nov 2008 Chief Nurse Executive Symposium.

1c. Nominations underway for 8 new advisory board members. Term limits reached to replace 4 existing members and four alternates will be appointed. Voting will occur in early October so that new members can attend our next on site board meeting in November.

1d. Met with local college to assist in identifying resources for nursing curriculum.

**MINING:**

1a. Elected new board in May as follows:

President: Julia Behrenbeck

Secretary/Database: Sarah Tupper

Treasurer: Lisa Polachek

Web/Listserv: Shannon Ricard

Membership/Outreach: Kathryn Hoyman

Events/Program Planning: Jerri Hiniker

1b. Working in collaboration with state nurse executives, educators and MNA on a second Minnesota TIGER scheduled for Jan. 16, 2009 and we are offering a MINING pre-conference to the Mayo Clinic Nursing Research Day on Feb. 23/24 in Rochester, MN.

**MNRS:**

1a. MNRS conference: Informatics Symposia on Privacy and Confidentiality in IT

1b. Call for Informatics Researcher Awards MNRS

1c. Engaging membership in review and submission on Use Cases from HITSP.

**NANDA International: n/a**



**NENIC:**

1a. NENIC represents the recently completed merger of two former nursing informatics groups - the Boston Area Nursing Informatics Consortium (BANIC) and the Nursing Information Systems Council of New England (NISCNE). Membership has been consolidated and a new web site [www.nenic.org](http://www.nenic.org) was launched.

1b. Our Annual - Trends in Clinical Informatics: A Nursing Perspective was held on June 6, 2008 - registration for the event was sold out three months in advance of the program.

**NCNA CONI: n/a**

**PISUG: n/a**

**PSNI:**

1a. Unfortunately, there are no projects to speak of. We are in the process of changing leadership and hopefully that will stimulate new ideas and energy.

**SCINN: n/a**

**SNOMED CT Nursing Working Group**

1a. Working with the SNOMED Concept model group to determine the terminology model for modeling an assessment tool (e.g., Morse Fall Tool)

1b. Developing a quality assurance model for terminology development

**UNIN:**

1a. Support/encourage member publications. We have partnered experienced writers/academic informaticists with clinical members in a mentoring arrangement, have formed a publications subcommittee, and have conducted presentations regarding various aspects of the publication process at our quarterly meetings. Goals for upcoming year include increasing the visibility of publications and presentations among the group by showcasing member publications and presentations at our meetings and in our newsletter.

1b. Improving communications within our organization. We have begun a newsletter to support communications between our quarterly meetings. We are including AMIA, HIMSS, and ANI announcements in addition to our local announcements

**V. ANI Proposed Strategic Activities**

In addition to the ANI membership organization reports, ANI members were encouraged to submit one area of focus that the ANI community should work together to achieve over the next 12 months. Following are the proposed activities:

- To conceive a formal method for reaching out to "new" nurses in informatics.
- Distance educational offerings with CEUs



- Develop recommendations for informatics job titles, role descriptions, entry level qualifications, salary information, and certification options.
- One area of focus could be to take an organized look at the goals different associated groups have and are working on. Identify similar goals / overlap of work and determine a cooperative means for sharing information and work to present a coordinated and united front to accomplishing goals.
- Recruiting/selecting new members to serve in leadership positions. This is an issue for UNIN because we are a purely voluntary organization with no dues, and therefore we have limited resources to support attendance at the two annual face-to-face ANI meetings. This has limited our leadership to members who can find other avenues of funding.
- Terminology adoption and implementation
- Providing inexpensive and accessible educational programs for members. Many organizations will not pay members to attend conferences and the costs may be prohibitive for members to do it on their own. Sometime those of us on the west Coast feel left out of activities the mostly occur back East.
- A collaborative, virtual educational program - organized between all the ANI groups.
- Is there a Sharepoint site that is being managed by ANI that members have access to for communication, documentation of events, There are many technologies available today that we can use but which one will secure our work the best. I would like to see us move from the wiki to possibly some google products or other avenues.
- An area that our members were interested in for the MINING conference was nursing system optimization.
- Educational competencies for nursing informatics

Due to time constraints this item will be discussed at the next meeting.

**ACTION:** In preparation for our November Face to face meeting Christel Anderson will compile all responses and send out with the meeting materials.

## **V. Other Business**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:12pm CST. As a reminder, the next Governing Directors Face to Face meeting will be prior to AMIA Fall Conference November 7, 2008 6:30pm eastern (local time zone).