



Alliance for Nursing Informatics

Governing Directors Town Hall

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

2:00pm CST/3:00pm EST

Duration: One hour

Dial In: 877-864-2828

Attendee Access code: 670053#

Minutes

Attendees:

AMIA – Karen Greenwood, Bonnie Westra*

ANA – Carol Bickford

ANIA-CARING – Victoria Bradley, Curtis Dikes*

AORN – Carol Petersen*, Teresa McCaskey

AWHONN – Karen Peddicord

CSRA-CIN – Gail Erlitz

DVNCN – Deb Aldridge*

HIMSS – Christel Anderson, Beth Halley, Judy Murphy, Joyce Sensmeier*

Emerging Leaders: Ellen Makar & Sandy Ng

MINING – Julia Behrenbeck

NANDA – Jane Brokel

NCNA CONI – Deb Aldridge*

Omaha Systems – Karen Martin

PSNI – Karen Curtis

SNOMED – Judy Warren

UNIN – Nancy Brazelton

* indicates Steering Committee representative

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Joyce Sensmeier and Bonnie Westra called the meeting to order at 2:02pm central. Teresa McCaskey was welcomed as the new Governing Director representing AORN; Carol Peterson will continue to represent AORN on the Steering Committee.

II. Approval of April 20, 2010 Minutes

MOTION: Judy Warren moved to approve the minutes and Gail Erlitz seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

III. Strategic Planning Session – Preliminary Report

Joyce provided a preliminary report on the Strategic Planning Session that was held during SINI on July 22, 2010. Attendees were invited to dialogue with the current ANI co-chairs and staff liaisons on strategic activities for ANI. These individuals were invited

as representatives of nursing specialty organizations, federal agencies and to provide a historical and future perspective of ANI.

The attendees were asked to consider the following: What is the context or the environment in nursing informatics and health information technology going to look like for the next 5-10 years that ANI should be aware of? What should ANI contribute to the nursing informatics and health information technology environments as it relates to our own strategic goals? Preliminary findings are listed below.

As we explore maintaining and increasing communication channels to expand our membership outreach we should explore opening our membership up to international members and start collaborating with school nurses.

As we are encouraging nursing informatics competencies, education, training, publication, and professional development, ANI should continue to serve as the connecting point for new informatics nurses and serve as a bridge to empower local groups and grass roots initiatives to maximize informatics education. Additionally, we should continue to stay connected to TIGER as a resource to them.

As we are engaging in issues of national importance in health information technology and provide leadership, we should support the participation of more nurses actively engaged in the ONC HIT Policy & Standards Committees and work groups; specifically by recruiting, requesting subject matter expertise and identifying opportunities. Joyce illustrated a recent example of where she was able to leverage the inclusion of nursing by utilizing recent ANI testimony as input to the strategic plan for the Illinois Statewide HIE.

As we are promoting and enhancing the professional practice of nursing informatics we should support the exchange of timely information; as previously discussed, the Lippincott portal would serve as a great resource for information exchange of nursing leaders involved in current legislative and healthcare reform activities.

As we are supporting nursing informatics research we should communicate available opportunities for research and continue to explore opportunities with entities, such as NINR.

Next steps: A full report will be presented at the face-to-face November Governing Directors meeting.

IV. Membership Update

International Members Discussion:

Joyce and Bonnie raised the following questions to the Governing Directors: How should ANI be involved in international activities? Open? Recruiting new members? Should we actively expand into the international area?

Governing Directors elicited the following responses:

- ANI can serve as the knowledge exchange for the recognition and advancement of informatics globally.
- When you look outside of the U.S. there is an opportunity to increase the “nursing informatics” knowledge base.
- ANI is really important to galvanize nursing language, terminology and nomenclature. Some other countries have a resource like this e.g. Canada Health Infoway.
- Can we maintain our national activities and still increase internationally? Do we have a commitment to support the needed infrastructure?
- NANDA and SNOMED were primarily USA focused in the past and over the past few years have evolved into international organizations; currently they circulate ANI announcements only to US members.
- How would we incorporate developing countries?
- If we are supporting nursing in a mobile society we should embrace the migration towards becoming an international organization.
- We have an opportunity to reach out to international vendors.
- We can share the “ANI skill set”: how we organize, how we create testimony and provide opportunities to comment.

DECISION: Judy Warren moved to approve International Members as full ANI members, Curtis Dikes seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

NEXT STEPS:

1. Christel Anderson will notify CroNIA on their change in membership classification to full member.
2. The TNIA (Taiwan Nursing informatics Association) ANI membership application will be made available for electronic vote by the Governing Directors for full membership into ANI. Governing Directors will have two weeks to respond to the vote once it is published to the list serv.

New Membership Applications:

Governing Directors were provided with two new ANI membership applications for affiliate membership: [Surgical Information Systems - Clinical Advisory Task Force \(SIS\)](#) & [CPM Resource Center International Consortium](#)

DECISION: SIS Clinical Advisory Task Force was approved for affiliate membership and the CPM Resource Center International Consortium was approved for affiliate membership.

NEXT STEPS: Christel will notify the new membership organizations and execute communication materials and messaging; including news items on the ANI Website at: <http://www.allianceni.org/>

Member Spotlight (NEW)

As a follow up from the Strategic Planning Committee meeting, Christel shared an idea for enhancements to the website that would include highlighting ANI members and their

current activities. Each ANI member would be invited to share current activities in the new website section “ANI Member Spotlight”; this area would be updated once a month. Additionally the content could be shared with CIN, ANI Connections.

The following Governing Directors volunteered to participate in the pilot:

October – Curtis Dikes, ANIA CARING social networking

November – Teresa McCaskey, new role as an ANI Governing Director and activities with AORN

December – Judy Warren, SNOMED (Nursing problem list being implemented by seven new organizations)

V. ANI Emerging Leaders Program Update

Sandy Ng provided an update on her project: providers who move to a different EMR platform. She has started the Institutional Review Board process and it is envisioned that her study would be conducted of 36 respondents that would range geographically. She will be requesting assistance from the Governing Directors in the near future for potential provider sites to participate in the study.

Ellen Makar provided an update on her project on “nursing and nursing actionable data”. She has recently acquired a new metric tool to validate her testing on the project. She also provided an update on how the Emerging Leaders Program has provided opportunities for professional development including upcoming speaking opportunities.

Bonnie and Joyce commended the ANI Governing Directors on their excellent selection of the first class of the Emerging Leaders. Additionally, we will be seeking new mentors in 2011 for the new class!

VI. CIN: Computers Informatics

The CIN Article Schedule will be provided at the Governing Directors November meeting.

VII. New ANI co-chair January 2011

Per the Operating Guidelines, co-chairs can serve a maximum of three consecutive terms. New ANI co-chair, HIMSS Representative Judy Murphy, RN, FACMI, FHIMSS, Vice President - Information Services Aurora Health Care will be effective January 2011. Joyce Sensmeier will serve in the ex-officio status for 1 year.

VIII. ANCC Representative

In 2007, ANI implemented a collaborative agreement with the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). As part of this agreement we have been asked to identify one individual who would serve on the ANCC Context Expert Panel (CEP) for Nursing Informatics. Kathryn Homan has previously served as the representative from 2007-2010. The mission of the American Nurses Credentialing Center is to promote excellence in nursing and Health care globally through credentialing programs related services. Website: <http://www.nursecredentialing.org/>

CEP Basic Responsibilities:

1. Attend 1 to 2 three day meetings per year at the ANCC headquarters. These meeting objectives include (but are not limited to): reviewing test items, revising test items, setting the passing score for the examination. The CEP member must be up to date with the current practice literature in order to be effective at these meetings.
2. Participate in a role delineation study (RDS). The RDS is typically conducted once in every five years.
3. Participate in 1 to 3 conference calls a year (as needed) to discuss the exam.
4. Review of candidate's appeals (there are relatively few appeals each year).

Benefits: Each year of service on the CEP0 confers a 12.5% reduction in the total requirement number of contact hours of continuing education – up to a maximum of 50% for your next certification.

Travel: The ANI cosponsors will reimburse hotel lodging, travel and a \$100 per diem for attendance at the meetings.

Selection Criteria (including but not limited to):

1. You must be certified by ANCC in Nursing informatics.
2. Membership in your state nurses association is preferred, but not required.
3. Test development or test experience is preferred (not required).

Full qualifications/benefits/conflict of interest are available at this pdf link:

<http://www.himss.org/handouts/ANCCCEPinformation.pdf>

ACTION: We are now seeking nominations of interested individuals who would be willing to serve on the CEP (you may self nominate). If you or someone in your organization would be interested in serving and meets the qualifications identified above please let **Karen Greenwood know by August 25**. More than one person from an organization may be nominated. Please do not fill out any of the consent forms or application, rather please send a brief bio or CV. The Steering Committee will then review all nominations and forward a recommendation to ANCC by the end of the month.

IX. Other Business

Bonnie will be presenting testimony for the ONC Vocabulary Task Force, Standards Committee on September 1, 2010 on nursing terminologies and data sets; specifically how they are essential to meaningful use of electronic health records. The testimony will be made available on the ANI website.

There being no further business that call was adjourned at 2:57pm central.

The next meeting will be held Friday, November 12, 2010 6:30pm to 8:30pm eastern in Washington D.C.

