

**VACN Fall Meeting**

**Date 11.17.2020**

**Time 1500-1630**

**Location Virtual**

**Present:** Pam Jeffries (GWU), Shanna Akers (Liberty), Andra Hanlon (Shenandoah), Andrea Knopp, Barbara Sorbello (Bon Secours), Cheryl Oetjen (GMU), Chris-tina Perkins, Kim Little (Longwood), Cindy Rubenstein (Randolf), Cynthia Banks (Sentara), Iris Mullins (Radford), Jennifer Hutchinson (Longwood), Jamie Robinson, Jean Giddens (VCU), Karen Faison, Karen Karlowicz (ODU), Kathy Johnson, Laura Vasel, Melody Cash, Melody Eaton (JMU), Pam Cipriano (UVA), Elizabeth Epstein, Marueen Moriarty, Shevellanie Lott (Hampton), Yosely Cruz-Fernandez, James Mark Tanner (GW), Jessica Sharp (Bluefield), Jo Ann Davis, Judith Johnson, Diane Bridge (Liberty), Kelli Taylor, Lisa Minor, Pam Crowder, Teresa Beach, Terri Clinger, Wendy Hunter, Wendy Thompson

**Meeting Facilitator:** Pam Jeffries

**Meeting Recorder:** Shanna Akers

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Report/Discussion</b>	<b>Decisions/Actions</b>
Call to order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order at</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1500</li> </ul>
Welcome & Introductions (name of person responsible)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>n/a</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA</li> </ul>
Review of agenda (Pam Jeffries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new content requested</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA</li> </ul>
Meeting Minutes (Shanna Akers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of 9.29.2020 minutes</li> </ul>	Motion to accept: Melody Eaton 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Jessica Sharp No discussion Carried: <b>All approved</b>
Treasurer's Report (Cheryl Oetjen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current standing:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Checking 9003.42</li> <li>CD 5887.43</li> <li>CD 677.79</li> </ul> </li> <li>Dues Invoices should go out soon for \$200</li> <li>990N filed</li> <li>No questions</li> </ul>	Motion to accept: Shanna Akers 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Jean Giddens No discussion Carried: <b>All approved</b>
Standing Committee reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nomination Committee (Jessica Sharp)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Election Plans Spring 2021</li> <li>Positions up for Election: Treasurer and President (2021)</li> <li>Bylaws have voting every year, current new members up for election were above but were recently appointed. We do not have a President Elect, but a VP with a different cycle. Bylaws updated in 2018.</li> <li>Recommendation: vote for appointed position for Treasurer (Jean Giddens)</li> <li>Two board members exited last year and 4 were voted in last year. Everyone in office</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion to HOLD Off on elections in 2021 and delay President and Treasurer for 2022, board to create sub-taskforce review Bylaws</li> </ul> Motion: Barb Sorbello 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Karen Karlowicz No Discussion Carried: <b>All approved</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Send Bylaws to Deans (Shanna Akers/Josh Mannix)</li> <li>If interested in serving, please send email to Shanna Akers</li> </ul>

	<p>were voted in (4 in 2020 and 2 in 2019) (Barbara Sorbello)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With so much change in 2020, recommendation to hold with current board for a year (Pam Jeffries)</li> <li>• Option: Vote as outlined for 2021 OR Vote to hold for this year</li> <li>• VACN Professional Development (Melody Eaton) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Virtual Conference</li> <li>• Three dates options 3.26, 3.31, 4.9 AM hours</li> <li>• Guest speaker for 2-3 hours in the morning</li> <li>• Business meeting in the afternoon</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><a href="mailto:sakers@liberty.edu">sakers@liberty.edu</a> or Joshua Mannix at <a href="mailto:joshuajmannix@email.gwu.edu">joshuajmannix@email.gwu.edu</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doodle Poll for preference of dates (Joshua Mannix to send)</li> </ul>
Old Business item (Pam Jeffries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preceptor Incentive Program and Spring Program Update (Melody Eaton) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey still open (n = 23)</li> <li>• General issues with preceptor placements especially at the APRN level</li> <li>• Problems with office managers (getting past the office manager to the provider)</li> <li>• Will go back to the Governor for funding, supported by the Healthcare Workforce Advisory Council (Pam and Jean)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Healthcare Workforce Advisory Council (Pam Cipriano) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robust conversation spearheaded by Meagan Heely. Future roadmap for improved healthcare, healthcare education</li> <li>• Create \$10M innovation fund- new ways to prepare/employ</li> <li>• Fund and Implement the G3 initiative (announced 12.2019)- Free college for &gt;400% poverty in several potential areas for diploma, certificate, associate degree</li> <li>• Expand clinical training for physicians and nurses. (Incentive program)</li> <li>• Leverage telehealth tools</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Health Professions Advantage (Pam Cipriano) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entry level jobs for healthcare</li> <li>• All levels of matriculation from entry, to technical, to professional</li> <li>• Private and Public support</li> <li>• Jean Giddens provided state report</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached documents</li> <li>• Survey open until beginning of December. Aggregate data will be sent to the group (Melody Eaton)</li> <li>• See attached documents</li> <li>• See attached documents</li> </ul>
Old Business item (Pam Jeffries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dues – Process and communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invoice will be sent within the next week</li> <li>• Dues due by check and sent to George Mason – Cheryl Oetjen</li> </ul>
New Business item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AACN Second National Faculty Meeting around Essentials (Jean Giddens)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with faculty November 15 to December 15</li> </ul>

(Pam Jeffries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information sent by AACN is on the website- “2020 AACN National Faculty meeting”</li> <li>• Send Draft Essentials document to the faculty</li> <li>• Video to watch together (almost 60 min – 30 min overview of the essentials and 30 min for Q&amp;A panel discussion)</li> <li>• Small group discussion on the Essentials</li> <li>• Each school to present final feedback (one response per school) as a summary on the information</li> <li>• Feedback to AACN in January</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://www.aacnnursing.org/About-AACN/AACN-Governance/Committees-and-Task-Forces/Essentials-Task-Force/National-Faculty-Meeting-Resources">https://www.aacnnursing.org/About-AACN/AACN-Governance/Committees-and-Task-Forces/Essentials-Task-Force/National-Faculty-Meeting-Resources</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on Policy (Pam Cipriano)- suggestion that there should be more policy in nursing education. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking for opportunities to make policy more visible</li> <li>• 10 domains, competencies, and subcompanies</li> <li>• Some argue that Domains are “more important” and policy is not there, but it is across the concepts/competencies</li> <li>• Similar with several other concepts/competencies</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussion between DNP APRN or MSN APRN (Karen Karlowicz) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essentials Taskforce does not make a mandate like this.</li> <li>• New essentials will allow for either as we move forward</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback by December 30th</li> </ul>
New Business item (Pam Jeffries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNP as Entry to Practice by 2025</li> <li>• Presented by NONPF and others as an educational priorities not yet seen by certifying bodies</li> <li>• Some schools are planning to move or have moved to post-BSN DNP/APRN away from the MSN/APRN</li> <li>• NONPF is also pushing to increase to 1000 practice hours (more than the 500 hours)</li> <li>• Decreased the number of seats in the MSN/APRN to decrease availability and then increase the number in the DNP/APRN</li> <li>• Stalling at the University level as well as at CHEV</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NA</li> </ul>
Current and Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploration of schools and programs across the state</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NA</li> </ul>

<p>clinical/academic issues (Pam Jeffries)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fall Semester- Progression, issues, and reflection</li> <li>• 2 weeks of clinical post-Thanksgiving (ODU)</li> <li>• Social issues/counseling issues while dealing with the stressors of pandemic and school/clinical</li> <li>• Finishing clinicals, but Covid-19 increase, met objectives; therefore, cancelled completion of clinical hours (Richmond)</li> <li>• 2021 Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual simulation</li> <li>• Students coming back to campus (Sentara)- will return to campus and maintain mandate and recommendations of CDC and Governor</li> <li>• Some skipping breaks</li> <li>• Face to face but starting on 2.1 and pushing summer and fall off by one week as well (Shenandoah), will do presumptive covid testing on 1.18.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Cases/tracing/PPE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GW- Testing weekly with 24-hour results</li> <li>• Hospitals are providing for PPE needs for some places</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Telehealth as direct patient care hours? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NONPF is allowing Telehealth to cover direct care hours</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Counting clinical hours</li> <li>• Clinical Placement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barriers, Challenges, and Solutions</li> <li>• Long-term care accommodations needed (Longwood)</li> <li>• Getting hours – women’s health sites (AMU), peds (GW)</li> <li>• Getting hours but somewhat limited sites (GW)</li> <li>• Smaller groups, less units accessible (multiple)</li> <li>• Clinical faculty sick or quarantined – challenge to re-place students</li> <li>• Tired faculty, adjuncts, students (multiple)</li> <li>• Incompletes assigned for those without their hours (multiple)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting was adjourned at 1630</li> </ul>	<p>n/a</p>

Respectfully submitted,  
Shanna Akers  
VACN Secretary