

**Nurse Practitioner Alliance of Rhode Island (NPARI)**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Date: Monday, April 6, 2026

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Zoom

**ATTENDANCE**

- Anne Neuville
- Mary Cabral
- Matt James
- Jeanette Thibeault
- Denise Coppa
- Janel Snowden
- Becky Carley
- Ashley Wright

**1. Welcome and Opening Remarks – Anne Neuville**

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM
- Quorum confirmed and agenda reviewed
- Approval of June 2025 minutes Denise Coppa
  - Motion made and seconded Ashley Wright
  - Approved unanimously

**2. Treasurer's Report – Matthew James**

- Matthew presented detailed financial report
- Account Balances:
  - General Account: \$65,685.76
  - Merchandise Account: \$1,462.49
  - PAC Account: approximately \$2,300
- Revenue and Deposits:
  - \$525 deposited from conference merchandise sales
  - Additional check deposited into general account
- Expenses and Liabilities:
  - Chase Credit Card balance: \$2,217.08 (due April 7)
  - \$85.60 Yard Works expense (flowers, receipt pending)
- PAC Activity:
  - Successful fundraising event contributed majority of funds
  - Approximately \$340 raised at conference
- Financial Discussion:
  - Conference revenue estimated between \$10,000-\$20,000

- Vendor pricing discussed at \$1,100–\$1,500 with potential increase
- Planned Expenses:
  - \$200 political contribution discussed
  - \$250 additional contribution discussed
  - \$400 allocated for national conference engagement

### **3. Committee Chair Reports**

#### **a. Membership / PR / Marketing – Jeanette Thibeault**

- Discussion on engagement strategies
  - Drug dinners and medical device education
  - Need for improved communication workflow
  - Multiple users posting leading to duplication
  - Recommendation to define roles and ownership

#### **b. Education Committee – Mary Cabral**

- Symposium reviewed as successful
  - Strong attendance and vendor participation
  - Positive feedback received
  - Identified gaps in vendor-topic alignment
  - Need for earlier marketing and planning
  - Dates for symposium in March presented to board but nothing confirmed
  - Ad Hock Education meeting planned soon to discuss and confirm
  - Banner project placed on hold pending Board review

#### **c. Legislative Update – Denise Coppa / Anne Neuville**

- Comprehensive legislative update provided
- Sedation Bills:
  - H7740 (CRNA) – concerns with scope overlap and safety
  - S3184 introduced in Senate, early stages
- Department of Health Regulations:
  - Ongoing review for all not just Nurse Practitioners
  - Lobbyist engaged for guidance and advocacy strategy
- Pay Equity:
  - Focus on pay equity
- H8135:
  - Heard in House HHS, testimony provided
  - Monitoring amendments and progression
- S2806:
  - Referred Senate Finance
  - Not heard, under review
- Medispa Regulations:
  - Need for clarity in NP scope and oversight

- PAC Activity:
  - PAC event highly successful
  - Funds increased through conference donations
- Fundraising:
  - Support for Representative Bennet (RN)
  - Support for Senator Melissa Murray
- Key Themes:
  - Protect NP scope of practice
  - Increase legislative visibility and advocacy

#### **4. Old Business – Anne Neuville**

- Marketing collaboration with Raquel Perez discussed
  - Need for defined expectations and deliverables
  - Created Speaker Bio's
  - Reached out to schools and organizations with no response

#### **5. New Business – Anne Neuville**

- Education Committee Dinner:
  - \$400 is in budget for AANP state winner dinner which we don't have this year, Anne asked for use of money to do thank you dinner for education committee for all their hard work
  - Other committee might not like the idea and should not be done for one committee
  - Money will be used toward NPARI week
- Secretary Position:
  - Ashley Wright Tem ends in November, will need to prepare for election for officer
  - Nominations committee to start posting and open nominations
- Janel Snowden Time Off:
  - Coverage planning discussed to maintain continuity
  - 4/323-5/2, fall leave anticipated 5 months
- Strategic Planning:
  - Initial discussion on organizational goals
    - Membership growth, legislative impact, education expansion
- RISNA Partnership:
  - Collaboration for Nurses Week May 2026
- Psych NP Group:
  - Discussion of forming subgroup and interest level
  - Add to symposium next year to increase attendance

#### **6. Next Meeting Date**

- June 1, 2026

#### **7. Adjournment**

- Motion made and seconded
- Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 PM