

NCENA State GA Minutes – Jan 23, 2025

Board of Directors Present: Monica Watts (P), Mary Alice Vanhoy (P-E), Linda Arapian (S), Chris Barnes (T), Kathy Mason (IPP), David Short (EP)

Members present:

Blue Ridge: Mashanda Brown

Cardinal: Chris Barnes, David Short, LeeAine Powell,

Carolina Dogwood: Emily Harder (P), Marie Dawkins,

Carolina Foothills: no one

Coastal Carolina: George Condon (P),

Eastern Piedmont: Audrey Snyder, Cindy Reed, Denise Rhew (P), Lauren Neff, Linda Arapian, Mary Alice Vanhoy, Merle Prescott, Rachel Keslar,

Eastern Tarheel: David McDonald, Mary Lou Forster-Resch

Heart of Carolina: Connie Lanier, Kirk Tedrow,

Metrolina: Angie Alexander (P), Annette Goodwin, Jeanne Whalen, Kassie Huffman, Kathy Mason, Kieva Skinner, Lindsay Smith, Mark Scott, Mary Jo Austin, Monica Watts, Nancy Reynolds, Thora Davidson-White, Tonya Davis, Tonya Whittaker

Outer Banks: Cathy Pfender, Lacey Streets (P)

Nursing Students:

Guests: Bill Cantrell, Kanchan Bhattarai

1. Call to Order (**Monica**) at 19005 minutes
 2. Establish Quorum: BOD, Chapters, and Committees represented
 3. Welcome/Introductions: Monica welcomed all to our first 2025 State GA meeting.
 4. Approval of Nov 2024 Minutes. Addendum to Eastern Tarheel report added, and addendum approved with second.
 5. Adoption of Meeting Agenda: No changes/additions, agenda adopted
 6. Conflict of Interest Disclosure: None to disclose
 - B. President's Report (**Monica**)..... 5 minutes
 - C. Treasurer's Report (**C Barnes**)3 minutes
 1. Bank Accounts a/o Jan 18, 2025:
 - Checking: \$ xxxx
 - Savings: \$ xxxx
 - CD Reserves: \$ xxxx
 - D. Chapter Reports (**Monica**) 10 min
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1. Blue Ridge: Trying to gain momentum after Helene, emailing members, and planning Feb meeting and create plan for the year.
2. Cardinal: Next meeting is Feb 20, Gebauer sponsor, site TBD
3. Carolina Dogwood: Virtual meeting held in January with 14 people, planned year activities. Next meeting Feb 13.
4. Carolina Foothills: no report
5. Coastal Carolina: January meeting canceled due to weather. Board will meet next week, considering creative ways to engage members, perhaps rotating meeting sites.
6. Eastern Piedmont: Next meeting Feb 11 in W-S. planning a Solheim CPEN Review, and planning sites to host the State Delegate meeting in August as well as the Awards Dinner in September.
7. Eastern Tarheel: Addendum to Nov 2024 report. Meet first Tuesday of every other month. Spring Trauma Education Day will be April 11 at the Double Tree in New Bern.
8. Heart of Carolina: Quiet start, no meeting in Jan, not sure about March meeting.
9. Metrolina: Meet the first Wed of the month, Jan was hybrid meeting at Del Fresco about sepsis indicators. Feb meeting will be at Maggiano's/ Planning a CEN Review in March 16-17, with 18 pre-registered.
10. Outer Banks: Also working on membership momentum, had an impromptu meeting Jan 22, next meeting Feb 20, no other details. Three members attended a Stop the Bleed instructor session.

E. Committee Reports (**Monica**)..... 10 min

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1. Awards/Scholarships (D Solomon): The current online Awards applications are ready for 2025 applications, but Individual Awards and Martha Woods Scholarships. Consider nominating someone.
 2. Certifications: (M Scott): End of 2024 BCEN data: CEN:1,776; CPEN:210; Flight:204; Transport: 29; CTRN:349. CBRN: 12. Chapters please send information for planning BCEN Review courses, to Certifications@northcarolinaena.org,
 3. Communications (D McDonald): Website is up, Committee is meeting and will assign members to different platforms. To post on our website, please email information to Communications@northcarolinaena.org. For Chapters building momentum, suggest that you invest in the Nursing Network, \$99/year. Some of the benefits include your chapter site can be linked to your bank account, and chapters are able to take electronic payments for any education registration fees.
 4. Emerging Professional (D Short): NCENA has partnered with ENA for every NC nursing student to receive FREE one-year student memberships. Information will be sent tonight to each chapter president, some nursing schools. David needs assistance with contact information for programs in E Piedmont chapter area and Western NC.
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5. Education (K Cisneros): Sending out "Save the Date" and on website. Will be Nov 6 & 7, again at AB Tech Conference Center in Asheville. Contacting 2024 speakers for availability this year, and call for speakers will be posted this weekend. Pre-registration will begin in late April.
 6. Fundraising (C Barnes): Last year's budget deficit without Las Vegas state booth and NCENS cancelation due to Asheville impacts from Helene. We are looking at alternate fundraising ideas, maybe a "Restaurant night"? If anyone has ideas, please contact Chris at treasurer@northcarolinaena.org. Board discussed and determined our limited "return on investment" for State Booth at National Conference (\$500 ENA fee), so we will not have EN'25 New Orleans booth. We will have the 50/50 raffle at NCENS'25 in Asheville in November.
 7. Government Affairs (D Short): 119th NC Congress, with good representation for NCENA priorities, including Tim Reader. Upcoming: Nurses Night at NC Legislature on Feb 26 and DOTH will be April 29-30. Creating an application using MD Forms, will be posted soon on website.
 8. Membership (A Barnes): Membership numbers down recently, Jan 2023=1,759, Jan 2024= 1,704, Jan 225=1,559. Welcome suggestions for recruitment and retention. David Short working on FREE Student Nurse memberships for all entry -level students. Applications sent to nursing schools and posted on our website.
 9. Nominations/Elections (K Mason): Consider running for state office for 2026. We are seeking candidates for President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Emerging Professional. If you have any questions regarding any openings, please email directors@northcarolinaena.org.
 10. Pediatrics/ENPC (MJ Austin): No data yet. Provider course in Charlotte on Feb 19-20.
 11. QSIP (N Reynolds): Met with Janice and planning activities in Mecklenburg County painting pre-school playgrounds. Additional plans for Safe Kids in May, Water Safety in June, Injury Tips for Media, and Bike helmet grants. Please email us, qsip@northcarolinaena.org, with your chapter's Injury Prevention activities.
 12. Trauma/TNCC (A Alexander): No data available.
- F. Ongoing/Old Business (**Monica**)..... 5 min
1. ENCare 2025: Deadline to apply is January 31. Currently has 19 individuals registered. Questions, email encare@northcarolinaena.org.
 2. Chapter/Committee activity and participation number updates for our 2024 State Achievement Award. Kathy needs information asap, email to immediatepastpresident@northcarolinaena.org.
- G. New Business (**Monica**)..... 5 min
1. State GA meetings: We have switched to TEAMS format and will alternate between morning and evening meetings. All dates and times are posted on our website.
 2. Chapter meeting and education opportunities for website, please send to Communications@northcarolinaena.org.
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3. End of year chapter activity and financial reports due by Jan 25, email to directors. Forms are on the website, under "documents"
 4. Nurses Night Registration: Discount code available, \$32, reimbursable after attending by submitting form on website, also under "Documents"
 5. Membership Challenge: Recruitment inter-chapter challenge. We're looking for member input/suggestions. Please email membership@northcarolinaena.org.
 6. DOTH Applications: Will be posted on website soon.
- H. 2025 Upcoming Key Events **(Monica)**..... 7 minutes
1. Jan-Feb 25: ENAF Emergency Nursing Diverse Voices Research Fellowship Applications (Jan 6-Feb 14)
 2. Jan 29-31: ENA Leadership Conference: Louisville KY at Omni Louisville Hotel
 3. Feb 20: Deadline for State and Annual Achievement Awards nominations
 4. Feb 24-Apr 18: ENAF Academic Scholarship Applications (Feb 24-Apr 18).
 5. Feb 26: Nurses Night at Legislature, 5:30-7:30pm. Museum of Natural Sciences.
 6. Mar 3-April 4: ENAF Conference Scholarship Applications (US) applications
 7. Mar 4: 12noon EDT ENA State/Chapter Leader Virtual meeting
 8. Mar 11: 1pm EDT ENA membership Virtual Town Hall Meeting
 9. March 26: Nurses Day at the Legislature
 10. April 29-30: Day on the Hill, Washington DC
 11. May 19: deadline to submit GA Resolution for GA'25, governance@ena.org. David McDonald is on the Resolutions Committee this year, happy to work with individuals/chapters that would like to submit a Resolution for GA'25 in New Orleans.
 12. May 2-9: NCENA ENCare Humanitarian Trip to Dominican Republic
- I. Member concerns:
- J. Next State GA Meeting: Virtual meeting Thurs, Feb 27, 2025 at 7:30AM
- K. NCENA Board contact info: Directors@northcarolinaena.org
- L. Meeting adjourned: 2000
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