

## Texas Nurses Association: District 7

UMHB NEC 114  
Microsoft Teams  
June 2, 2035

- I. Call to Order at 1804 by Ebony Gebrehawariat
- II. Welcome and opening remarks:
  - a. "College Night" meeting, thank you all for participation, raffle winner is Leticia Wilkes
  - b. Meet the Team spotlights: Erica Perrine, Vice President 2025-2027, received BSN from UMHB 2002, MSN Education from UMHB 2015, she is currently enrolled in EdD at NIU. Nurse for 23 years in Med/Surg, Step Down ICU, Wound Care, Orthopedics, and Oral Surgery. Nurse Educator for 10 years with Temple College. Member of TNA, Sigma Theta Tau, and National League of Nursing. Awarded the MSN Outstanding Student in May 2015 and the NISOD Excellence Award in May 2022 and 2024. Proud mom of a beautiful 5-year-old, passionate about people and their success.
  - c. Networking in Nursing tips shared ahead of annual conference
- III. Roll Call (Establish Quorum): Lisa Tolls, Thea Andrews, LaGidgette Robinson, Laurel Pilkington, Tony Woodard, Marissa Hudler, Klade Rodriguez, Tina Morris, Genera Miller, Erica Perrine, Ebony Gebrehawariat, LaVeeta Springer, and other online participants
- IV. Approval of the Minutes: 5/5/2025, approved by membership
- V. Correspondence: none
- VI. State & District Reports
  - a. District Report:
    - i. Membership Report (April 2025): A = ACTIVE MEMBERS: 385, awaiting May report, lag and delay possibly due to retirement of Belinda Richey
    - ii. Treasurer's Report: as of 6/1/2025: \$14,846.06, not including CD – recent transactions include conference registration, spending for Scrubs & Screenings
  - b. State Report:
    - i. Policy Council: changing of equity language however committed to work
    - ii. Government Affairs Committee (GAC) Liaison: see committee report
    - iii. Board of Directors (BOD)
      1. Roadshows, plan to postpone until Spring 2026
      2. 2025 Annual Conference: Whova App, plan to meet for D7 picture, use hashtag #TNAD7
- VII. Committee Reports
  - a. Bylaw Committee: Conducting an extensive bylaw review with proposed edits in a live document, developing job descriptions, process for filing complaints
  - b. Government Affairs Committee:

- i. HB 2187/SB 2356 - Reinforcing the Texas Nurse Staffing Statute
  - ii. SB 912 – Relating to the verification of health care practitioner continuing education compliance, tracking system
  - iii. No progression: SB 911 - “HEAL Texas Act” Removes Regulatory Barriers on APRN, HB 2190/SB 2380 Preventing the Criminalization of Medical Errors, HB 4355 Just Disciplinary Procedures for Nurses, SB 2095 Anti-Harassment Protections for Nurses, SB 2792 Addressing Assault of Healthcare Workers with Bodily Fluids, HB 5538 Mandatory Reporting and Antiretaliation Protection, continuing to advocate & educate about the importance of strong immunization policy
- c. Nominating/Elections Committee:
  - i. **Election Results Finalized; officers and board members to be installed July 1, 2025, for 2-year term with exception of President and Vice President:**
    - 1. President-Elect 2025-2027/President 2027-2029/Immediate Past President 2029-2030: Kimberly Bertini**
    - 2. Vice President-Elect 2025-2027/Vice President 2027-2029: Marissa Hudler**
    - 3. Historian: LaGidgette Robinson**
    - 4. Board Member (LVN/RN/APRN) 2025-2027: Maddy Papica, Tramaine Warren**
    - 5. Bylaw Committee: Chair Marissa Hudler, Co-chair Tony Woodard, Recording Secretary: Thea Andrews**
  - ii. Board Appointments; current vacancies, seeking committee chairpersons, School of Nursing District Liaisons: Temple College, Central Texas College, UMHB, TAMUCT, LCHEC, Communication Liaison
- d. Program/Events Committee: Scrubs & Screenings: "Everybody's Work: Healing What Hurts Us All" - lower volume due to time frame, engagement and impactful event due to subject matter, will host screening again in the fall, flowed well, grateful to panelists
- e. Strategic Planning Committee: Complete surveys as soon as possible, two strategic planning session to reassess and update plan for 2025-2030

## VIII. Business

- a. LVN Membership/LVN Committee: \$60 per membership x 5 membership = \$300 to help promote recruitment and engagement, plan to campaign during summer, from “Classroom to Capitol” with SNF/ALF/Bridge programs with possible TNA Match – **tabled for greater discussion regarding stipulations attached to free membership voucher.**
- b. Considering the expansion of District 7, we may consider a special committee to conduct SWOT and PESTEL Analysis – **tabled to be established in next FY 25/26 if needed considering limited personnel and resources at this time.**
- c. Consider the establishment of a Membership Committee: Membership Guide, Welcome, Annual Meeting, Orientation etc. – **tabled to be established in next FY 25/26 if needed considering limited personnel and resources at this time.**

## IX. Open Floor

- a. Consideration of membership buddy system to help facilitate the involvement of new members
  - b. Lisa Tolls and LaGidgette Robinson have the capability to develop CEs for District for professional development opportunity, Ebony Gebrehawariat to reach out to Elaina Diaz to figure out the process
  - c. Interest expressed for leadership of the Early Career Nurse and Scholarship Committee: Klade Rodriguez, LaVeeta Springer respectively
  - d. Continued strategies for connection, recruitment, and commitment, continuing to meet goals slowly
- X. Announcements:
- a. 2025 TNA Annual Conference in Austin, Texas: June 5-7, 2025
  - b. Strategic Planning Session 1: June 8, 2025, Sunday at 12:30 PM (3 hours) via Microsoft Teams
  - c. Bylaw Committee Meeting: Monday, June 9, 2025, at 6 PM CST via Microsoft Teams
  - d. Awards Committee Meeting: Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 12 PM CST via Microsoft Teams
  - e. Strategic Planning Session 2: June 22, 2025, Sunday, (3-4 hours) TBD
  - f. Board of Directors Meeting – June 30, 2025, at 6 PM CST via Microsoft Teams
  - g. Next General Membership Meeting: Monday, July 7, 2025 at 6PM CST TBA
- XI. **Adjournment meeting adjourned at 1910**

Attachment: from 5/5/2025 “College Night”

