

2010 NLN ELECTIONS

CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR NURSING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors is responsible for policy determination, strategic planning, financial solvency, and the overall success of the National League for Nursing.

FOR GOVERNOR-AT-LARGE (2010-2013) – VOTE FOR 4

All Governors are charged with the legal and fiduciary responsibility of undivided loyalty to the Corporation. It is their responsibility to protect the Corporation from harm and to assure that acts of the Corporation are legal and in the best interest of the organization. Governors are expected to be seriously engaged in the governance process of the NLN; to be knowledgeable about the mission, vision, values, goals, policies, and programs of the NLN; to seek to understand stakeholder needs and expectations and to protect and advance their interests; and to assess the external environment in which the NLN is operating in order to maintain its relevance to members and other stakeholders. Governors are expected to attend meetings in their entirety, and to arrive prepared to engage in substantive discussions. They are also expected to avoid even the appearance of a conflict of interest, and to disclose an actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest in a timely manner.

NOTE: INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS ONLY.

Gail Baumlein, PhD, RN, ANEF, CNS, CNE - Director, Online Programs,
Chamberlain College of Nursing, Columbus, OH



PERSONAL STATEMENT: My experience in nursing education includes faculty and leadership positions across diploma, ADN, BSN, and MSN programs. My commitment to nursing and education has fueled my involvement in numerous boards and committees including the NLN, the Ohio League for Nursing, and the community. I have been recognized as a leader in policy and decision-making, and an advocate for change and innovation.

PAST POSITIONS: Dean, MSN Program, Chamberlain College of Nursing; national dean of Nursing Programs/CAO, Chamberlain College of Nursing; Online Instructional Designer, Mount Carmel College of Nursing.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: Chair, ETIMAC, national; chair-elect: ETIMAC, national; Board of Directors, Ohio League for Nursing, constituent; ANEF selection committee, national; chair, Instructional Technologies Task Group; ETIMAC, national.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Board of Directors, Sigma Theta Tau; Board of Directors, American Cancer Society; Advisory Board, Thomson Delmar Publishing; Speakers Bureau, NLN; OLN nurse educator collaborative chair, Ohio League for Nursing.

EDUCATION: PhD, University of Akron, Akron, OH; MSN, University of Akron, Akron, OH; BSN, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH; Diploma, Mansfield General SON, Mansfield, OH.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: Sigma Theta Tau; Academy of Nursing Educators ANEF; NLN; Ohio League for Nursing.

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Anne Bavier, PhD, RN, FAAN - Dean & Professor, University of Connecticut School of Nursing, Storrs Mansfield, CT



PERSONAL STATEMENT: My responsibilities have varied throughout my tenure with the NLN Board of Governors and the NLN Foundation. Throughout, my focus is to examine strategically issues that arise and contemplate actions that are consistent with the organizations' missions and values. This perspective is particularly relevant to the conduct of the organization during times of transition. Thus, along with key staff, I chair the headquarters relocation to Washington, DC, to place us in the best physical location.

PAST POSITIONS: Dean and professor, St. Xavier University; assistant dean, Emory University; associate director, Winship Cancer Institute,

Emory University.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: Secretary, national; Executive Committee, national; Board of Governors, national; trustee, NLN Foundation for Nursing Education, national; chair, Relocation Committee, national.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Member, Smith Senior Living, Corporate Board; member, Sister to Sister; Everyone Has a Heart; member, Board of Trustees, La Rabida Children's Hospital; member, Horsch Endowment Committee, Wesley Woods Foundation; Faculty Scholarship Committee, Georgia Workforce Policy Advisory Committee; Community Advisory Board, Georgia Partnership for Caring, United States Public Health Service Coordinating Committee on Women's Health; executive secretary, Advisory Committee on Research on Women's Health, National Institutes of Health.

EDUCATION: PhD, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA; certificate, Emory University, Atlanta, GA; MN, Emory University, Atlanta, GA; BSN, Duke University, Durham, NC.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: Phi Kappa Phi, Interdisciplinary Honor Society; Institute of Medicine of Chicago; Directors Award, National Institutes of Health; American Academy of Nursing; Edith Moore Copeland Award for Creativity, Sigma Theta Tau.

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Michelle Byrne, PhD, RN, CNOR - Professor & Program Coordinator of MS Nursing Education, North Georgia College & State University Department of Nursing, Dahlonega, GA



PERSONAL STATEMENT: My prior national and statewide board experience has provided me invaluable experience with collaborative and strategic thinking. As the immediate past president of a nurse specialty certification board, I have developed leadership skills that will support the ongoing evolution of NLN to continually meet the needs of nursing faculty. As a coordinator for a MS in nursing education program, I teach, evaluate, and measure the essentials of our discipline. Nursing educators must have the knowledge and resources to be effective teachers, while having a futuristic vision on innovative pedagogy integrating healthcare and safety trends.

PAST POSITIONS: Program coordinator: MS Nursing Ed; professor, associate professor, North Georgia College & State University; independent nurse consultant.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Past president and national board member, Competency & Credentialing Institute; past chair, National Research Committee, CCI; chair, National Nominating Committee, AORN; past chair, National Research Committee, AORN; grant reviewer, Nursing Workforce Diversity; HRSA; AORN Editorial Board, AORN Journal; peer reviewer *Nursing Education Perspectives*, NLN; column coordinator, AORN journal; chapter president, NW Georgia AORN; participant at research summit to define research agenda for specialty nurse organizations, American Board of Nursing Specialties - CCI representative; reactor participant at Nursing Quality and Safety Alliance-creating an organization focused on quality, CCI representative.

EDUCATION: PhD, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA; MS, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI; BSN, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: Sigma Theta Tau; ANA; AORN; Georgia Association for Nursing Education; NLN.

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Liana Hain, PhD, RN, CCRN - Nursing Instructor, City College of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; per diem staff nurse San Francisco VA



PERSONAL STATEMENT: I have been a member of the NLN since 1994 (NLNAC group 1994-2001, individual since 2001). I accepted the call to resurrect the California League for Nursing and worked from the ground up as CALN President. I am currently on the NLN Awards Committee and serve as a book reviewer for the NLN's journal, *Nursing Education Perspectives*. I am a regular attendee at several NLN programs and have a career-long commitment to the mission, vision, and core values of the NLN.

PAST POSITIONS: Tenured nursing instructor, Evergreen Valley College; staff nurse, Good Samaritan Hospital; staff nurse, Dominican Santa Cruz Hospital; nursing instructor, City College of San Francisco; professor of nursing, Evergreen Valley College; staff nurse, Good Samaritan Hospital; staff nurse, Dominican Santa Cruz Hospital.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: Awards Committee, national; California League for Nursing president, constituent; poster presenter, national; worked to maintain NLNAC accreditation, local.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Future of Nursing Initiative committee member, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Institute of Medicine; member, CCSF Nursing Advisory Board; grant manager for ADN to BSN and ADN to MSN educational consortium, CCSF and San Francisco State University; several publications at the national level; advisory committee member, California Institute for Nursing & Health Care; Strategic Action Plan for Nursing Education Redesign in California; co-chair of Committee for Educational Consortiums, California Institute for Nursing & Health Care.

EDUCATION: University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; San Jose State University, San Jose, CA.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: NLN; Sigma Theta Tau; American Association of Critical Care Nurses; National Organization of Associate Degree Nursing; National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurse Associations.

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***Layna Himmelberg, MSN, RN, CNE - Associate Professor, Clarkson College
Department of Nursing, Omaha, NE***



PERSONAL STATEMENT: As president of the NeLN, I would hold meetings at least quarterly, adhering to the bylaws of the constituent league and following the strategic plan devised by the board members of the NeLN. Annual reports were completed and maintained full compliance with the NLN as a constituent league. I have attended the NLN Summits in order to provide additional information to the league and to enhance new policies and ideas in order to improve the league and its standing.

PAST POSITIONS: President, Nebraska League for Nursing; president-elect, Nebraska League for Nursing; chair of Nursing Assembly Evaluation Committee, Clarkson College; chair of Faculty Senate Personnel Committee, Clarkson College.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: President, constituent; president-elect, constituent; Task Force-Healthy Work Environments, national

EDUCATION: MSN, Clarkson College, Omaha NE; BSN, Clarkson College, Omaha, NE; BS, Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE; ASN, College of St Mary, Omaha, NE; Pursuing EdD at College of St Mary, Omaha, NE.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: Omicron Epsilon; NLN, Public Health Association of Nebraska.

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Teresa Shellenbarger, PhD, RN, CNE, ANEF - Professor and Doctoral Program Coordinator, Indiana University of Pennsylvania Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions, Indiana, PA



PERSONAL STATEMENT: I would be delighted to serve as a Governor-at-Large to the Board of Governors for the National League for Nursing. During my 21 years of NLN membership I have participated in many NLN activities and enjoyed my experiences. I have dedicated my professional work to promoting excellence in nursing education. Election to the board would allow me to continue to actively engage in nursing education advocacy activities. I welcome this opportunity to champion excellence in nursing and to actively serve the interests of all nursing educators.

PAST POSITIONS: Doctoral program coordinator, Indiana University of Pennsylvania; professor, Indiana University of Pennsylvania; associate professor, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: NLN/Johnson and Johnson Faculty Leadership and Mentoring Program, national; member of NLN Nurse Educator Certification Commission, national; chair, CNE Test Development Committee, national; NLN research grant reviewer, national; CNE exam item writer, national; CNE subject matter expert, national.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Member, Visiting Nurse Association Advisory Board; member, Indiana Regional Medical Center Institutional Research Review Board; abstract reviewer, Eastern Nursing Research Society.

EDUCATION: PhD, Widener University, Chester, PA; MSN, Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT; BS, Penn State University, University Park, PA.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: National League for Nursing Fellow in the Academy of Nursing Education; Eastern Nursing Research Society; Sigma Theta Tau International; Phi Kappa Phi.

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Elizabeth Speakman, EdD, RN, CDE, ANEF - Assistant Dean of RN Programs Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University Jefferson School of Nursing, Philadelphia, PA



PERSONAL STATEMENT: I have been active in the NLN since 1990 and have served in a leadership role within the NLN since 2003 most recently as a Board of Governor 2007-2010. I have participated at 100 percent in attendance, effort, and compliance with policies. In addition, I remain 100 percent committed to the mission and vision of the NLN and, if re-elected as a BOG member, I will remain committed and uphold the integrity and values of the organization.

PAST POSITIONS: Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University; assistant dean, Thomas Jefferson University; associate professor, Community College of Philadelphia.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: Board of Governor, board liaison NEWDAC, chair and board liaison Academy of Nursing Education; chair, Task Force on Excellence in Nursing Education.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Advisory Board, Community College of Philadelphia; Advisory Board, Camden County College; Advisory Board, Burlington County College; Advisory Board Montgomery County College Board of Governor, Fox Hollow Swim Club; organizer and director, Cherry Hill Fire Department, American Red Cross, Lifeguard Refresher Program, Cherry Hill Township; New Career in Nursing Scholarship Program 2009 Summit, American Associate of College Nursing; Johnson & Johnson Mentoring Program, Nurse Executive Council, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital; board member, CHAP (Cherry Hill Aquatic Programs).

EDUCATION: EdD, Teachers College, Columbia University, NY; MEd, Teachers College, Columbia University, NY; BSN, Wagner College, Staten Island, NY.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: Academy of Nursing Education; Sigma Theta Tau; Alpha Eta; Teachers College, Columbia University, NEAA; Teachers College, Columbia University Alumni Mentor Program

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Helen Streubert, EdD, RN, CNE, ANEF - Vice President of Academic Affairs, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX



PERSONAL STATEMENT: I have been an active member of the National League for Nursing for more than 25 years. During that time I have served at the local, state, and national level. In the early 1980s, I served at the national level to advance nursing education research. My professional career is focused on advancing nursing through nursing education. More recently, I served as one of the first consultants to the Center for Excellence program and helped to craft the “Essentials Document.” The continued success of the NLN will be based in maintaining our focus on core values and maximizing our member involvement.

PAST POSITIONS: Associate vice president of Academic Affairs, Misericordia University; special assistant to the president, Misericordia University; director, Service Learning Center, Misericordia University; associate professor, Thomas Jefferson University.

NLN/LEAGUE ACTIVITIES: Board of Governors, national; Governance Committee, national; Center for Excellence Consultant, national; NEAC, national; Innovations Task Group.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Trustee, Franklin Pierce University; trustee, PNA Nursing Foundation; member, Mercy Center Skilled Nursing Facility; Editorial Board; member, Master Leadership of San Antonio; site visitor, Middle States Commission; evaluator, Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education; member, Diversity Institute of NEPA.

EDUCATION: EdD, Teachers College, Columbia University, NY; MSN, Villanova University, Villanova, PA; BS, Cedar Crest College, Allentown, PA.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP: American Nurses Association; National League for Nursing; Teachers College Hall of Fame; Sigma Theta Tau.