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Northern California Association of Neonatal Nurses Chapter Bylaws

Article I Name

The name of this organization shall be the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF NEONATAL NURSES.

Article II Purpose

The purpose of the "Association" shall be to promote the highest standards of neonatal nursing practice and education, to assist the neonatal nurse in advancing professional development and economic welfare.

Article III Goals

The goals of the "Association" shall be to: Facilitate an exchange of information between nurses in the neonatal field; make available to its members a forum for continuing education; and to establish a communication network among nurses working in the neonatal field.

Article IV Membership

Section I Membership in the "Association" is a privilege and is contingent upon concurrent membership in the National Association of Neonatal Nurses (NANN).

Section II Membership in the "Association" shall not be limited by numbers.

Section III Membership in the "Association" shall consist of active members, as set forth by NANN Bylaws.

Section IV A person shall be declared a member of the "Association" upon payment of local and national dues.

Section V Dues of the "Association" shall be determined by a majority vote of members. Dues may not exceed national dues.

Article V Officers

Section I The officers of the "Association" shall consist of a President, a President Elect, a Secretary, a Treasurer and Conference Planners. Collectively, these officers are referred to as the executive committee.

Section II The officers shall be elected by written ballot, to serve for a term of two years. The term of office shall begin at the first of January following their election. No officer shall hold the same elected office for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

Section III Duties of the officers are as follows:
President. The President shall preside at any official meeting of the “Association” and shall coordinate the work of the officers and committees to ensure that the objectives and policies of the “Association” are maintained and promoted.

President-Elect. The President-Elect shall preside at the meetings in the absence of the President. The President-Elect will coordinate educational activities with the conference planners and maintain continuing education files and records. The President-Elect shall succeed to the Presidency upon completion of the term as President-Elect or upon vacancy of the office of the President.

Secretary. The secretary shall record the minutes of the business meeting and shall conduct official correspondence of the “Association”. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping membership records and providing communication related to renewal.

Past President. The Past President shall be maintain the Bylaws.

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for collection and disbursement of “Association” funds and to present a statement of financial condition at least quarterly in general business meetings.

Conference Planners. The Conference Planner(s) shall be responsible for coordinating the education programs and development of any advertisement. Shall be responsible for official correspondence with sponsors.

Section IV Executive Committee Meeting shall be held quarterly. Meeting time and place shall be arranged by the President.

Section V Vacancies
In event of a resignation or vacancy of an office, an election shall be held at the next business meeting to fill the office for the expired term.

Article VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section I The Board of Directors of the “Association” shall be composed of not more than seven (7) nor less than six (6) members and shall include the officers of the “Association”, the immediate Past-President, and two (2) at Large Members (Two Conference Co-Chairpersons)

Section II The role of the immediate Past-President shall be to serve as a resource person to the elected officers and to function in a supportive and collaborative role.

Section III The role of the Conference Co-Chairpersons shall be to organize and coordinate the education meetings and the bi-annual day long conference of the “Association”.

Article VII MEETINGS

Section I The regular meetings of the “Association” shall be held quarterly. Meeting time and place shall be arranged by the President.

Section II A quorum shall consist of all active members present at the meeting.

Section III Each active member present shall be entitled to one vote on matters properly placed before the membership.

Article VIII AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS

Section I The Bylaws shall be reviewed annually.

Section II The Bylaws may be amended at any regular business meeting of the “Association” by a favorable vote of 2/3 of the members present.

Article IX NON-PROFIT STATUS

Section I The Northern California Association of Neonatal nurses has been organized for non-profit purposes and individual members will not derive profit there from.

Section II No substantial part of the activities of the ”Association” shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the “Association” shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing and distribution of statement) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Section III The property of the “Association” is irrevocable dedicated to charitable purposes and no part of the net income or assets of the “Association” shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private persons.

Section IV Upon the dissolution of the “Association” its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the “Association” shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which established its tax exempt status under Section 501 C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article X RULES AND PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules governing the “Association” shall be decided upon by a simple majority of members present at any regular business meeting. The rules contained in the most current edition of ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER shall be the parliamentary authority.

Article XI ADOPTION

At Annual Holiday Gala and Business Meeting, Crowne Plaza San Francisco, the 6th day of December, 2006.
Amy Paradis, NCANN President (2006-2008)