CASN Annual Meeting
November 5, 2017

End of Year Reports

CASN President Report
October 2017

- Transitioned to CASN President June 2017
- Served on selection committee for School Nurse of the Year, School Nurse Administrator of the Year, and School Nurse Advocate of the Year
- Represented CASN at NASN pre-conference leadership session and NASN 2017 annual conference in San Diego, California
- Presented on behalf of CASN at annual School Nurse Orientation (SNO) in July 2017
- Active member and facilitated all CASN Board and Executive Board meetings
- Participated in all Conference Committee meetings
- Co-Chair of Fall 2017 Fall CASN conference with the Education Co-Chairs
- Served as member of Scholarship committee
- Continued to gain needed knowledge regarding the role and responsibility of this position
- Provided support and assistance to CASN members as requested

Respectfully submitted, Tammy Wollbrinck, RN, NCSN, CASN President

CASN Past President Report

- Transitioned from President to Past-President position June, 2017
- Worked with Kelly Grenham (CASN Legislative Committee Chair) and Diana Protopapa (CASN Lobbyist) to secure funding for State School Nurse Consultant.
- Worked with President-Elect and President to choose CASN SNOY, SNAY, and SNAOY awards for 2017.
- Mentored CASN President
- Assisted President with tasks, as assigned
- Served as Chair the Nominations and Awards Committee

Respectfully submitted, Belinda Strickland, MSN, RN, NCSN, Past President CASN 2017-18

CASN President Elect Report
November, 2017

- Transitioned to President Elect position 5/2017
- Attended NASN Annual Conference in San Diego June 29 – July 3 2017
- Participated in Fall 2017 conference planning committee
- Planned/organized the Awards banquet for Fall conference 2017
- Ordered and presented the awards for the 2017 CASN honorees at the Fall CASN Awards Banquet
- Attended/participated in full board meetings
- Continued to gain needed knowledge regarding the role and responsibility of this position
- Provided support to the President and Past President as requested and needed
- Served on the CASN Legislative Committee
- Served as temporary Merchandise Chairperson

Respectfully submitted, Patti Rojec RN, MSN, NCSN, CASN President Elect
COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL NURSES
NASN Director’s Annual Report

NASN Director: Kathy L. Reiner, MPH, BSN, RN

Highlights: January 2017 to October 2017
Attended the NASN Board of Director’s Meeting in Washington, D. C. Feb. 4 – 7, 2017.

• Member of the NASN Strategic Committees: Advocacy
     • Legislative Aid for Sen. Cory Gardner
     • Legislative Aid for Sen. Michael Bennet
     • Rep. Ken Buck and James Hampson, Legislative Aid. for Rep. Ken Buck

Presented NASN’s Legislative Priorities for 2017 and Colorado concerns.

NASN Legislative Priorities for 2017

• The National Association of School Nurses (NASN) urges Congress to support the Nurses for Under-Resourced Schools Everywhere (NURSE) Act, which would recognize the critical role of school nurses in providing students access to quality health care so that they are safe, healthy, and ready to learn.

• NASN supports the continued access of children to healthcare through Medicaid in the Schools and opposes attempts to implement block grant or per capita caps. Increasingly, schools are partners in health promotion and interventions of students’ physical and mental health so that they can be more successful and ready to learn.

• NASN supports the reauthorization of the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) which provides vital health insurance for children. CHIP finances quality health coverage for more than eight million children in families with incomes too high to qualify for Medicaid but too low to afford private health coverage. NASN has long supported CHIP and other programs that help ensure all children are covered by quality, affordable health insurance. CHIP funding was signed by President Obama, April 16, 2015 for 2 years. Unless Congress acts, millions of families will lose access to affordable coverage for their children. Members of Congress are urged to introduce legislation to extend CHIP funding until 2019.

• The National Association of School Nurses (NASN) urges Congress to pass the Child Nutrition Reauthorization (CNR). Congress failed to reauthorize this important nutritional program that ensures children have access to breakfast and lunch in the last Congress.

2. Since 2015, NASN and National Association of State School Nurse Consultants, (NASSNC) have been collecting a uniform data set, called Step Up and Be Counted, in order to support evidence-based school nurse practice. Because NASN and NASSNC were unable to move forward with goals for a new Memorandum of Cooperation with NASN, NASN is currently working on a new initiative related to national collection of school nursing data. NASN encourages all school nurses to continue collect data for the 2017-2018 school year and will continue to work with and support those who report statewide school nurse data.

3. Colorado Association of School Nurses

   CASN Legislative Chair and the Colorado Director to NASN, guided by CASN lobbyist from Frontline Public Affairs, have been extensively involved in advocacy efforts for Colorado families and school nurses. We provided testimony on 3 separate occasions in both the Colorado House and Senate, to protect our Nurse Practice Act from attempts to legislate delegation of OTCs without a HCP order. We were successful in amending the bill by first meeting with the Senator who sponsored the Legislation and explaining that it would violate our nurse practice act. We advocated for student safety by focusing on the role of the school nurse. Next, we testified against the Joint Budget Commission, (JBC), proposal to discontinue funding for
the state immunization registry. As part of an expert panel presenting to Legislators and community stakeholders, Kelly Grenham, CASN Legislative Chair, shared the school nurse perspective on the importance of the Colorado Immunization Registry to children. Subsequently, the JBC did vote unanimously to continue funding for the registry. Former NASN Director Liz Clark led an effort to provide school nurse input for the ESSA planning process. Efforts started March 2016 and continued through March 2017. School Nurse input was provided by statewide listening tours, and several opportunities for state survey feedback. School Nurses were guided and encouraged by CASN leadership and the use of NASN ESSA documents, including the ESSA Talking Points and ESSA Advocacy documents. Former Director Clark attended an ESSA Summit with 6 other school nurse leaders to impact the final draft document January 2017.

4. Attended the NASN Board of Director’s Meeting and NASN 2017 Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.
   - Member of the NASN Strategic Committee: Advocacy – worked on Policies and Procedures, Position Statements. Co-Author on Sexual Health Education in Schools revision.
   - Worked on strategic planning for NASN
   - Presented an “Ignite Presentation” on the Future of School Nursing


6. CASN Conference Committee Member – ongoing work for Spring Conference and Fall Conference, including:
   - Coordinated Scholarships
   - Presentation at Fall 2017 CASN Conference on the Future of School Nursing.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy L. Reiner MPH, BSN, RN, Colorado Director to NASN (2017-2020)

Colorado Association of School Nurses
Legislative Chair Report
October 2017

From January through May 2017 the CASN legislative committee collaborated monthly with Frontline Public Affairs, a lobbying and government relations firm that emphasis on health care and human services policy issue session of the Colorado General Assembly.

- CASN contract with Frontline Public Affairs includes monitoring, supporting or opposing legislative bills and sharing CASN’s viewpoint with legislators.
- If a specific bill required active lobbying CASN would need to expand our contract with Frontline Public Affairs.
- The monthly conference calls with nurses from all over Colorado reviews which legislation will be monitored, supported or opposed and send summaries to the CASN executive board.
- Frontline Public Affairs provided an end of the year report to CASN members on bills, which passes or failed (if you are a CASN member and would like a copy of this report, please email Kelly Grenham at grenhamk@gmail.com)

Highlights of legislative bills impacting children and school nurses in 2017, which CASN either supported or opposed.

- CASN Opposed. The House Bill- HB17-1146 Parent’s Rights Related to Minors would have “allow qualified, per school district policy, employees to dispense over-the-counter medications to a student if the student’s parent or legal guardian provided the school district with written general authorization to
dispense such over-the-counter medications”. I was able to testify twice to both representatives and senators on the role of the school nurse and the danger to children if health care providers authorization would not be required for OTC medications in schools. The bill failed.

- **CASN Supported.** The Senate Bill -SB17-068 *School Counselors Early Support For Students*. Concerning early support for student success through access to school counselors, and, in connection therewith, serving all grades through the behavioral health care professional matching grant program and the school counselor corps grant program.

- **CASN Opposed.** SB17-250 *Student exemption from immunization requirement*, which allows parents to provide documentation of an immunization exemption on any form with specific information. I testified to the possible confusion utilizing nonstandard forms and to the value of immunizations in protecting the public’s health. CDPHE agreed that using the standardized exemption form will not be required.

- When discussion of decreasing or withdrawing funding for Colorado Immunization Registry (CIIS), I presented to legislators the value CIIS has been to school nurses and children in Colorado.

- Met with Senator Aguilar regarding HB 1146 and possible legislation or legislative work to support Child Care Nurse Consultants in rural areas.

- Completed talking notes to support the expansion of the School Health Professional Grant Program.

The chair also received the **Colorado Governor’s Proclamation of National School Nurses Day** for May 6th, 2017. Please email Kelly Grenham, grenhamk@mapleton.us if you would like a copy of the report or are interested in participating in the monthly conference calls/meetings.

*Respectfully submitted: Kelly Grenham, MPH, BSN, RN, NCSN*

**Secretary’s Report**

Jennifer Ellerbroek is the CASN Secretary for 2017-2019. See all meeting minutes for detailed information. A google account: casncoloradoschoolnurse@gmail.com was created for a central place to maintain records, meeting minutes and contact information. The CASN secretary, president and president elect will maintain the account with password protection.

**CASN Treasurer Report**

1. Lori McCarty and Patti Rojec served as co-treasurers.
2. One or both co-treasurers attended the executive board, full board and conference committee meetings.
3. Both co-treasurers completed training for Smart Merchant Solutions, Inc. which records, deposits and manages credit card transactions.
4. Managed financial responsibilities for the fall and spring conferences.
5. Monitored grant distribution of funds for CDE grant (O’Rourke Foundation).
6. Filed CASN taxes.
7. Managed/reconciled bank account monthly.
8. Initiated and maintain banking activities with Quick Books online
9. Track and document ongoing CASN activities including:
   - Frontline Public Affairs (formerly Miles Consulting), Lobbyist
   - Go Daddy and Carrie Diaz, website support
   - NASN/CASN board member activities
   - NASN dues/reimbursement
10. Survived phishing scheme with no loss of funds; checking account subsequently closed and new account was established.

11. Account Balance as of 6/30/17
   - Checking Account - $43,029.25 (7-10-17)
   - Scholarship Account - $20,881.23
   - Money Market - $20,223.35

Respectfully submitted, Lori McCarty, MS, RN

Committee Reports
CASN Conference/Education Report
November 2017

Teresa Ross MSN, RN, NCSN and Linda Patterson BSN, RN, NCSN serve as Co-Chairs of the Conference/Education Committee.

- Attended CASN Full Board meetings
- Created, managed, reviewed, and analyzed online evaluations and feedback from last year’s Fall conference
- Planned, executed, and evaluated 2017 Spring Workshop
- Continued to provide conference committee meetings online to enable more participation of conference committee members
- Coordinated all aspects of the 2017 Fall Conference with President and Meredith Urbani, Administrative Assistant
- Created brochure for Fall Conference
- Solicited and obtained sponsors and exhibitors for the Fall Conference
- Created/executed design plan for tables at the conference
- Attended National Association of School Nurse Conference (Teresa)

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Ross MSN, RN, NCSN and Linda Patterson BSN, RN, NCSN Co-Chairs

CASN Membership Report
2017

- Membership Chair Cathy Zirkelbach attended CASN 2016 annual conference and assisted with answering questions regarding membership; honoring new members with CASN pins.
- Cathy attended the Virtual Presentation option offered for the NASN 2017 Annual Conference. She was able to sit in the comfort of her home and attend all of the general sessions held in San Diego, California!!
- School nurses recognized as soon-to-lapse membership status were contacted if they did not renew within their renewal month. School nurses, active and retired are encouraged to renew via emails listing the benefits of NASN/CASN membership.
- Cathy assisted a few school districts to monitor membership status where professional organization membership is incentive for professional growth and development
- Current CASN Membership at 419 (on 10/25/2017) – The highest membership anyone present on the Board remembers!!

Respectfully submitted by Membership Chair, Cathy Zirkelbach RN, MSN, NCSN
CASN SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

NOVEMBER, 2017

- Continued to update and maintain the website for CASN—www.coloradoschoolnurse.org
- Uploaded all documents as required by Executive board and other committee chairs
- Participated in Education committee
- Continued with contract for – Carrie Diaz web master who maintains the website.
- Participated in all executive and full board meetings.
- Hope to increase visibility with twitter and CASN Facebook pages in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted, Karen O’Keeffe, RN, MS, NCSN