Legislative Committee

Chairperson Job Description

1. The legislation committee shall be composed of a chairperson and the Regional Legislative Chairs. (By-Laws)
2. The legislation committee shall establish relationships which will inform the membership of Legislation affecting school health services and school nurses. (By-Laws)

* Develops working relationships with SNANC lobbyist and state and regional school nurse consultants.
* Assures lobbyist contract is approved annually by the Executive Committee.
* Attends or assures representation at legislative committee meetings as deemed necessary by the lobbyist.

1. The Legislation Committee shall monitor pending legislation relative to school health services, school nursing, as well as the welfare of children. (By-Laws)

* Regular communication with the lobbyist.
* Solicits membership involvement when necessary to contact legislators on pending issues.

1. The Legislation Committee shall keep the membership informed of such legislation relative to school health services, school nursing, welfare of children. (By-Laws)

* Interprets and informs the membership of these types of legislation through use of membership email list serv (Comminications Chair), regular communication to Regional Chairs, newsletter and written report at each Executive Board meeting.
* Encourages members to increase their knowledge of the legislative process and become politically involved by:

1. Getting to know their legislators
2. Being a health contact for legislators
3. Supporting campaign efforts of candidates who are child/school/health advocates
4. Providing a template of what to communicate to a legislator on specific issues
5. Having Regional Legislative Chairs plan programs at the regionallevel to educate the membership on the legislative process and advocacy skills
6. Encouraging Regions to invite legislators to meetings or plan events to meet with legislators
7. Providing each Region with lists of their particular legislators and how to contact them
8. Encouraging and coordinating school nurse participation day at the legislature yearly
9. Makes recommendations for By Lay changes to the membership. (By-Laws)
10. The Chairperson is appointed with the approval of the elected officers. (By-Laws)

* Attends and reports at each Executive Board Meeting.
* Submits a report to the Secretary for the Annual Meeting of the Membership.
* Submits a report to the secretary for each executive Board meeting and to the Communications Chair for the newsletter.

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