

# SONA News



SONA News

May 2020

**Southwestern Ohio Nurses Association**

## **ONA Convention 2.0**

### ***Special House of Delegates Meeting***

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020**

**At the Hyatt Regency, Columbus**

This is a special one day meeting of the House of Delegates. This special meeting was passed as a main motion during the 2019 House of Delegates to consider bylaws language which determines ONA structure based on data obtained by or under the Board to include:

- 1) District wishes on continuation;
- 2) Mapping of regions if proposed;
- 3) Cost of structure change;
- 4) Cost of services from ONA;
- 5) Projected cost to members; and
- 6) Definitions of demographics and other components necessary to add specificity to districts and/or regional structural change.

The same delegates elected in 2019 will serve as delegates for the 2020 Special House of Delegates. Delegates are elected for two-year terms. (ONA Bylaws Article XII-Elections).

Exact meeting times are still to be determined by ONA. Tentative start time is 9 a.m. A room block is available for October 5th and 6th at the room rate of \$143 per night. Breakfast, lunch & dinner will be provided on October 6.

Reimbursement of registration fee (tentative cost is \$250-\$325) plus roundtrip mileage reimbursement will be covered by SONA after the meeting for all SONA Delegates who attend.

**Please RSVP to SONA if you are planning to attend or not by emailing**

**[info@sonanet.org](mailto:info@sonanet.org) so that we can fill open Delegate spots from the Alternate list.**

SONA has to submit our Delegate list to ONA by August 21.

Thank you in advance for your prompt response!

#### **Convention 2.0 Dates to Remember:**

- May 15 - Bylaws proposals submitted to ONA.
- July 1 - Registration opens.
- August 7 - Final bylaws proposal for consideration will be posted on ONAConnect and September ONR
- September 9 – Room Block deadline. Hyatt Regency, Columbus
- October 6 – ONA Special Convention, Hyatt Regency, Columbus

## National Nurses Week—May 6-12, 2020

This year, more than ever, is a chance to recognize the outstanding contributions of nurses during National Nurses Week, May 6-12. Prior to the pandemic, the World Health Organization designated 2020 as the “Year of the Nurse.” Florence Nightingale was born on May 12, 1820, making 2020 the 200<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of her birth.

**SONA intends to celebrate our nurses the entire year. Stay tuned for details about a special reception later this year to honor our local front line heroes.**

### SONA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### PRESIDENT (9/20)

Deborah Schwytzer

#### VICE-PRESIDENT (9/21)

Tina Arrona

#### SECRETARY (9/21)

Michelle Thoman

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#### PAST PRESIDENT

Joylynn Daniels

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jill Claire



## Request for crafting supplies

Every Thursday from 1-3 at Marie Hatton Women’s Shelter on Reading Rd, SONA volunteers serve their clients with care and compassion through a craft project outreach. Crafting supplies such as yarn, fabric, fiber-fill, etc. are always in need. Additional volunteers are also appreciated! Call 513 -426-6582 or email [info@sonanet.org](mailto:info@sonanet.org) to donate or volunteer.

## SONA Call for Nominations

The SONA Nominating Committee invites you to submit your name as a candidate for one of the following leadership positions in the Southwestern Ohio Nurses Association. This is an opportunity to serve your profession and have an impact on its future, to participate in decisions related to nursing and health care, to learn the inner workings of the professional organization at the district and state levels, and to influence the image of nursing.

**Terms of office are for two years: Sept. 2020 - Sept. 2022**

### PRESIDENT

To be eligible for the office of the president a nominee must currently or have previously served on the Executive Board or Board of Directors and be an active member of SONA; Shall chair the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee; Presides over meetings of SONA; Provides for the recording of minutes, the completion of required reports and maintenance of official records; May delegate assignments to the officers and Board of Directors; and serves as SONA representative to the ONA Leadership Forum. The president shall be designated as a delegate to the ONA Convention and is an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

### TREASURER

Assure payment of bills of the district approved by the Board of Directors; Provide a fiscal report to the membership and to the Board of Directors; Keep financial records to allow an audit; Balance and reconcile revenues and expenses; Report to the Board of Directors the financial standing of SONA at each BOD meeting.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*(3 to be elected)*

Members meet every other month to transact the business of the Association in accordance with its mission and purposes; act as liaisons to standing committees; initiate action on a variety of professional issues of personal/professional interest; communicate action and direct recommendations for action to SONA committees and ONA Board of Directors when needed.

### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

*(3 to be elected)*

Members prepare a slate of candidates for election which is then submitted to the SONA Board and general membership for completion; facilitate the mail ballot voting by membership; determine election results; and notify membership of results. This is a one year term.

**Interested individuals should submit your bio and name by completing the Consent-to-Serve form below and return it by June 15 2020.** The slate will be finalized and sent out for a vote with July newsletter.

**Email to:** [info@sonanet.org](mailto:info@sonanet.org)  
**Mail to:** SONA  
 PO Box 31206  
 Cincinnati, OH 45231  
**Or Fax to:** 1+513-939-2653  
**Questions?** Call 513-426-6582

*Yes, I consent to serve if elected to...*

\_\_\_\_\_ President

\_\_\_\_\_ Board of Directors

\_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_ Nomination Committee

**My Area of Practice is:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Administration

\_\_\_\_\_ Consultant

\_\_\_\_\_ Education

\_\_\_\_\_ Other

\_\_\_\_\_ Practice

\_\_\_\_\_ Research

\_\_\_\_\_ Retired

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mark Your Calendar...**

- May 21: **ONA Tele-Townhall regarding COVID-19** (watch your emails for information and check your spam folder—if not found, update your email address with SONA & ONA)
- May 27: **SONA Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.**
- July 1: **ONA Special Convention Registration Opens**
- July 22: **SONA Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.**
- October 6: **ONA Special Convention, Hyatt Regency, Columbus**



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