



# REPORT TO ARNA BOARD

**Committee/Group/Coalition:** Arkansas Nursing Research Alliance

Officers for 2015-17 are:

President: Lana Brown, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System

Vice-President: Jane D. Evans, PhD, RN, MHSA, CNE, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Secretary: Elizabeth A. Lee, PhD, APRN, ACNS-BC, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Historian: Jamie L. Jones, MSN, RN, CNE, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Treasurer: Tomeka Toney, MSN, MHA, RN, VHA-CM, Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System

## Goals in Process:

- Continue to collaborate yearly to organize evidence-based/research conferences for Arkansas nurses.
  - Current ARNA membership is 81 members
  - Evidence-Based Practice Forum 2016: Translating Research into practice is scheduled for Friday 11/11/2016 at CHI St. Vincent. This is a collaborative conference between ANRA, CHI St. Vincent, and Central Arkansas Healthcare System.
- Strategize ANRA fundraising efforts
  - ANRA currently has \$250
  - Sale of ANRA t-shirts at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual EBP Forum
- Increase the online presence of ANRA: this goal remains in progress and will continue for 2016. The ANRA Facebook page and ANRA information on the ArNA website will be updated in 2016.
  - ANRA Facebook page is open with 10 new members.
  - Will work with ArNA on increasing ANRA visibility on the ArNA website

## Goals Accomplished:

- Review and revise ANRA bylaws to align with ArNA

**Has the Committee had the following action take place in last three months?**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meeting | Date <u>  6  </u> / <u>  22  </u> / <u>  2016  </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Call    | Date _____ / _____ / _____                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____       | Date _____ / _____ / _____                          |

## Decisions Made:

1. Voted on t-shirt designs for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual EBP Forum
2. Registration site reviewed and will open on July 1, 2016
3. Call for abstracts has been emailed out
  - a. Professional abstract submission deadline is 9/2/2016
  - b. Student abstract submission deadline is 9/30/2016
  - c. See attached Call for Abstracts

**Unresolved Items:** N/A

**Committee Actions:** Jane D. Evans, PhD, RN, MHSA, CNE, University of Arkansas at Little Rock will take over as the ANRA President on January 1, 2017. Elections for other positions will be held in October 2016.

We appreciate the collaborative support of ARNA, and we are proud to serve as a council.

**PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BY 6/30/2016**

Return completed report to the ARNA Office: [arna@arna.org](mailto:arna@arna.org); 501-244-9903 (Fax); 1123 S. University, Ste. 1015, Little Rock, AR 72204.