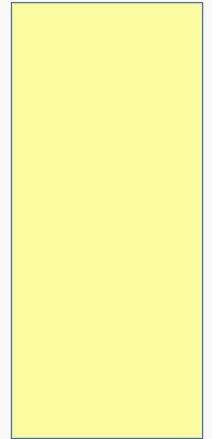




**PRESIDENT**

CALIFORNIA NURSING STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION



# WHAT IS THE PRESIDENT?

- One appointed or elected person to preside over the CNSA school chapter

# PRESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintain/Apply for Chapter's National Student Nursing Association (NSNA) Constituent Status
- Support the chapter's Board of Directors
- Conduct the Board of Directors and general membership meetings
- Student liaison with School of Nursing faculty
- Represent School Chapter CNSA as head delegate at state and national conventions
- Implement new programs and ways to give back to students

# NSNA CONSTITUENT

- What is an NSNA constituent
  - It is any state association or school chapter in a state approved program preparing students for licensure as registered nurses that are recognized by NSNA as a current chapter
  - Requirements
    - Minimum 10 NSNA members prior to 8 weeks of the application deadline (February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015)
    - Must submit application by April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015
    - By submitting the application you agree to abide by specific areas of conformity by incorporating the list into your own bylaws
- Application can be found here: <http://www.nsna.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Official%20Application%20for%20Constituency.pdf>

# BOARD OF DIRECTOR SUPPORT

- As president, it will be your job to support current BODs and possible BODs in endeavors that they may chose to go down.
  - Example: you have a student CNSA member that is extremely passionate helping younger students understand the importance of nursing. The student wants to show others how they can start a nursing career. You would take this student and point them in the direction of starting a Break Through to Nursing position.

# CONDUCT BOD AND MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

- As president it is your job to run these important meetings.
- You have the ability to make it as orderly or relaxed as possible.
  - For more orderly meetings look to use Robert's Rules to run the meeting
    - Check out this brief Robert's Rules of Order from NSNA to get a quick understanding of them
      - [http://www.nсна.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Roberts\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.nсна.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Roberts_Rules.pdf)
- It is highly encouraged to have an outline as to how the meeting will be ran
  - Work with the secretary to properly build outline
  - Sample BOD and General Meeting Outline can be found on the NSNA Website
    - [http://www.nсна.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Member\\_Tools\\_Sample%20Meeting%20Agenda.pdf](http://www.nсна.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Member_Tools_Sample%20Meeting%20Agenda.pdf)

# STUDENT – FACULTY LIAISON

- As president it is your job to represent the students to the faculty
- You will work closely with your faculty advisors in order to advance the student organization
  - Some school's even have the president attend the faculty meetings and serve as the student and CNSA representative
- Also, make sure that BOD has monthly reports to faculty advisors on finances and event projections
  - Can include when event will be, what event will entail, and how much money will be spent on the event

# STATE AND NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

- The president serves as head delegate for your chapter
- Encourages students to run for office and write resolutions





# NEW PROGRAMS - WHITE COAT CEREMONY

- A wonderful and meaningful ceremony that formally welcomes you into the profession of nursing
- Students wear their white coats and take a vow of professionalism



# NEW PROGRAM - TUTORING AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Powered by nursing students for nursing students
- Juniors and seniors tutor freshman nursing students in required science classes
- Freshman allowed 4 free tutoring sessions
- Tutors earn an academic scholarship, cord points, and a portfolio certificate

# NEW PROGRAM - PINNING CEREMONY

- A memorable graduation ceremony for students to celebrate their accomplishments and completion of the nursing program
- Students are pinned by someone special to them



# QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

**Don't be afraid to reach out and ask for help!**

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- If you need help making your chapter a Constituent Status Chapter contact the membership directors
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