



MNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS HIGHLIGHTS January 18, 2024

- The nurses at Framingham Union Hospital and the Case Managers at Salem Hospital won their elections!
- Unit 7 reached a tentative agreement with the state last Friday. Most members will see a 12.5% increase in 2024. They will be back to the table in the fall.
- Berkshire VNA was able to successfully reach and ratify their first contract before the end of December. The agreement includes step scales for each of the disciplines as well as productivity language which were items of importance to them.
- Dana Farber – Merrimack Valley also reached a tentative agreement for their first contract! The wage scale will provide the nurses with substantial increases and for most will allow them to spend their entire career at the facility.
- St. Vincents Nurses continue to demand safe assignments. They are standing up for patients as management retaliates for filing a report with the BORN.
- It was confirmed this week that the Steward system is in dire financial distress. We are actively discussing issues with the state. Our goal is to work on transitioning the hospitals to another entity. The next four weeks will hopefully result in a developed plan for that to happen.
- Annissa Essaibi George attended the meeting to promote the Big Sister Association of Greater Boston and discussed opportunities for members to work in their communities. She asked the BOD to consider joining the Big Sister Union Circle.
- The BOD Regional Taskforce reported on their review of streamlining the funding of the regions. The Chairs and Treasurers will be invited to meet and discuss ideas on January 24th.
- The BOD voted to accept the draft changes to the following policies in Section 7: *Members Rights to Privacy, Recognition/Acknowledgement of Contribution of Association Members, and Speaking for the Organization.*
- In person CNE programs begin February 28th. Nurse Planners are in the process of adding enduring programs online to the Hippotlian portal.
- The BOD discussed ways to increase PAC contributions to amplify our voice at the State House.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** March 14th, Labor Summit (Four Points Sheraton Norwood); May 3rd Clinical Conference (Four Points Sheraton Norwood); May 8th MNA Lobby Day at the State House.

Thank you,
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