



MNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS HIGHLIGHTS March 12, 2025

- Last month the BOD approved a statement drafted by Public Communications condemning federal overreach and disregard for the rule of law by the new administration that is harming patients and caregivers.
- We also introduced Betty Sanisidro last month, our new Director of Nursing, Health & Safety and Labor Education. Betty brings more than 20 years of experience in nursing leadership, occupational health and wellness program management to the MNA. She has worked with us as a consultant on health and safety issues happening in our bargaining units. We are very excited to have her on board.
- The nurses at BID Plymouth held a successful informational picket on March 20th and voted to authorize a three-day strike.
- After a tumultuous relationship following the St. Vincent's strike – the CNO is gone! They have hired a new CEO, a new CHRO and they have replaced the Labor Relations Director from Dallas with a familiar and local face – Rhett Cavicchi formerly from Steward Healthcare. Hopefully these changes will help turn things around there.
- A motion was approved to convene a summit of bargaining unit members and MNA staff in home health and hospital at home to discuss current reimbursement and challenges facing this sector and develop a strategic plan to address them.
- The BOD endorsed Corporate Fair Share legislation – An Act Combating Offshore Tax Avoidance (HD.3390/SD.1684).
- The BOD has been having ongoing discussions on being more inclusive of our healthcare professionals that we represent. They voted to look at different names for *The Massachusetts Nurse*, our official publication, which would require a bylaw change. They voted to extend the deadline for the submission of bylaw proposals to April 30th.
- The BOD Search Committee has been meeting every other week as they launched the search for a new Executive Director. Alan McDonald attended the BOD meeting and went over best practices for executive position interviews. He reviewed guidelines to assist with legal issues, such as permissible and impermissible questions that can be asked of applicants.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** The Clinical Conference will be on Friday May 2nd at the Four Points Sheraton in Norwood and the Red Sox will host Nurses Night on May 22nd.

Thank you,
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