



Additional information to support your discussion around the proposed resolutions.

## **Resolution 1:**

*Whereas, The Vice Speaker nominees are each given the opportunity to speak for 2 minutes to the delegation, prior to voting for the Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates. RESOLVED, For the delegation to make an informed decision prior to voting.*

**No additional information**

## **Resolution 2**

*WHEREAS, National SGNA is no longer providing support for contact hour approval resulting in the state having difficulty in providing contact hours for regional meetings. State board of nursing applications are extensive, costly and cumbersome and hospitals are no longer providing contact hours for educational activities. RESOLVED, that national SGNA reinstate contact hour approver unit*

### **Cost Analysis/Budgetary Impact**

The budget impact to SGNA is in the range of \$45,000-\$60,000. Expenses include ANCC application fees, Nurse Planner oversight and review, staff support, applications software and maintenance.

### **Why did SGNA terminate the Approver Unit?**

- The SGNA Board of Directors has the responsibility to evaluate its programs for continued sustainability and relevancy as an organization. This includes examining member services such as the SGNA Approver Unit.
- There was a significant decrease in SGNA Approver Unit submissions over the past few years (over 50%). Other specialty nursing associations are seeing this trend as well.
- Revenues collected by the Approver Unit have been significantly smaller than the costs associated with maintaining the SGNA Approver Unit. With the number of program submissions decreasing, revenues have continued to decrease as well, making the SGNA Approver Unit cost prohibitive.
- Given the trends, the decision was made by the SGNA Board of Directors to voluntarily terminate the SGNA Approver Unit due to lower use and the high cost to maintain it. Eliminating the Approver Unit will help SGNA continue to offer high quality educational activities and focus on other strategic initiatives that benefit all members.



### **Resolution 3**

*WHEREAS, SGNA regions are currently offering 3 different costs for regional dues leading to some confusion on the part of prospective members. One region charges \$10 dues, 4 regions charge \$20 dues, and 54 regions charge \$15 for their annual membership dues. RESOLVED, that SGNA Regional Society Member Dues, for all SGNA Regions, be set at a uniform rate to be determined by the SGNA Board of Directors.*

#### **No additional information**

### **Resolution 4**

*WHEREAS, As promoting the professional development of its members, is a part of the SGNA'S Mission statement, the Technician & Associates role has grown into many tasks and responsibilities that in the past has been the nursing role. RESOLVED, Technicians & Associates are included not only as a member in SGNA, but should also be able to hold a leadership role, Regional and National chapters. With this, the membership could be increased and therefore increased revenue.*

SGNA National agrees that Technicians and Associates play an important and vital role within the GI/Endoscopy specialty. Therefore, SGNA encourages leadership opportunities through involvement in any committee, volunteering in the Associate Advisory Group (The chair of this committee is automatically given a non-voting position on the Board of Directors), and leadership roles within the Associate SIG. All these activities support the increased role and responsibilities of our SGNA Associate Members, who make up about 5% of SGNA's membership.