Name of Board Member or Committee: Donelle Barnes PhD, RN, CNE, Secretary

Committee Chair: Bylaws Committee

Committee Members:

Norma Conner PhD, RN, University of Central Florida

Scott Emory Moore PhD(c), APRN, AGPCNP-BC, Clemson University

Annual Activities and Accomplishments:

1. Wrote Bylaws recommendation regarding dues increases. Forwarded it to the Board of Directors.
3. Reviewed/revised Board Meeting Minutes with staff member Ann Crosse.

Committee Goals for Coming Year:

Revise Bylaws and Procedure Manual as needed for efficient organizational functioning.

Action needed, motion or policy to be approved by the Board:

*Background:* In response to dialogue with SNRS members at the 2016 Business Meeting in Williamsburg, VA, the following proposal for Bylaws change is being brought forth by the Board of Directors:

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present shall be required to change the dues.

**Rationale:** This Bylaws change will allow the society to be responsive to the financial position of SNRS. The Board represents the membership and is responsible for insuring a sound fiscal base for the organization. The Board surveyed several other professional nursing organizations and found that this proposal is in line with the Bylaws of many other organizations. This Bylaws change will require approval of two-thirds of the voting members present at the Membership Meeting.