

COASN Report to OASN

The COASN Board met for an enthusiastic and productive meeting on August 3rd at the northwest Columbus home of President Kate King. The goals set for this year are: 1) To increase awareness of the profession of school nursing in the community, in the local, state and national legislature, and among school board; 2) To increase membership and involvement from all 14 counties within the COASN region; 3) To compile a comprehensive demographic report of the COASN region including the number of school nurses in each school district, the education level of those school nurses and the number of students served by those school nurses; and 4) to offer three CNE programs during the year. The **Fall Dinner Meeting is planned for Thursday, October 18th with the topic of Mental / Brain Disorders and Psychopharmacology.** The speaker and site are being confirmed. The mid year meeting will be on January 18th and the topic planned is Legal Issues in School Nursing. The spring meeting will be in honor of School Nurses Day and will be on May 9th. Nurses from other regions may attend our offerings at a small fee. Check the COASN website www.coasn.org closer to the dates for more specific details.

SAVE THE DATE: COASN is looking forward to working closely with the OASN board in hosting the 34th annual OASN conference on March 16-18, 2007, at the Embassy Suites, in Dublin, Ohio! The next board meeting will be on Thursday, September 14th. Contact a board member for more information.

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