Ball State University Alumni Association Nursing Alumni Society Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, October 14, 2010 Alumni Center Board Room

Board Members Present: Pam Carothers, Meghan Crockett, DeLisa Flynn, Kathy Hutson, Doreen Johnson, Julie Johnson, Melissa Matthews, Connie McIntosh, Kristin Reedy, Brandy Renz, Cheryl Riwitis, Allison Tann, Sue Taylor and Kathy Thomas.

President Brandy Renz called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. and asked for any corrections and/or additions to the minutes of August 11, 2010. Kathy Hutson made a motion to approve the minutes, DeLisa Flynn seconded. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

Introduction of New Board Members: new members joining the board are: Melissa Matthews '05, a Labor & Delivery nurse at Community Hospital, Anderson; Kristin Reedy '97, ER nurse at Community in Anderson; Allison Tann '07, a registered nurse at Methodist, Indianapolis.

Nursing Pinning Ceremony, December 17, 2010: 30 students will participate in the December pinning which will take place in Pruis Hall. Renz will bring the scissors and Pam Carothers will order the flowers. Kathy Thomas will help pass out the scissors and flowers. Volunteers to help with pinning practice are: Meaghan Crockett, DeLisa Flynn, Connie McIntosh, and Allison Tann. Flynn, McIntosh and Renz will help at the Pinning Ceremony. Renz will call Lou Patterson at Pruis and arrange for services, equipment and risors needed for the ceremony. McIntosh will contact Phyllis Chapin so she can arrange for the May class officers to pass out the programs. Flynn has scheduled an October 18th meeting with the class. Melissa Mathews will also help with the class meeting to begin at 10 a.m. Content information for the pinning program will be due to Julie Johnson at the Alumni Association by Monday, November 8th. Hutson reminded everyone that only immediate family members may pin a graduate.

2010 Class Meeting Report: Flynn and Matthews will meet with the December class students on Monday, October 18.

Committee Assignments for 2010-11: Renz will provide committee assignments at the next meeting, 5:30 p.m., November 15th at the Alumni Center.

Department Update: McIntosh reported the accreditation team will be visiting the School of Nursing November 15-17 and will visit students, staff and faculty. The accreditation process takes place every five years. There are changes in the plan of study for incoming freshman, which include a general finance class, WISER plus, a fundamental class, is new to the curriculum. The admissions criteria now includes the students GPA, science class, pre-Nursing test, Interview and writing essay and a

resume with healthcare or volunteer work. They will be lowering the credit hours for nursing from 126 to 120, and will include three med-surge classes instead of two. They will be admitting BSU students over transfer students.

Alumni Council/Alumni Association Update – Sue Taylor reported that the BSU Foundation investments representative said investments are going up. The Bold campaign is at \$197 million of its \$200 million dollar goal. Another major current goal is to increase to 21,000 alumni donors. If this happens, an anonymous donor will contribute \$1 million dollars. Taylor encouraged the board to make their annual gifts if they have not already. There were several new facilities that opened recently. Kinghorn Residence Hall, Student Wellness & Recreational Facility, and the Marilyn Glick Center for Art. Cardinal Corner is an online service that provides alumni products for purchase. The Alumni Council will be led by president Terry Coleman starting in January. Ernie Krug from the BSUAA has recently retired and was a Benny Award recipient at Homecoming.

Other Business: Julie Johnson reported on the clarification of a line item budget. The board tabled a motion to delete the line item until the next meeting.

Upcoming Dates –

Board Meeting – Monday, November 15, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the board room December Pinning Practice – Thursday, December 16, 2010, at 2 p.m. Emens Auditorium December Pinning Ceremony – Friday, December 17, 2010, at 7 p.m. Emens Auditorium

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie Johnson, Communications Assistant Nursing Alumni Society Liaison