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One constant in this world is change. With this issue, we send a huge "thank you" to Gail Rosen for her dedicated and truly marvelous leadership of HSA and we also welcome and look forward to working with our new Chair, Vanita Moore. Ed.

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Gail Rosen and Vanita Moore

Me, fill Gail Rosen's shoes? No way! As an Executive Committee member remarked, "I don't have the hair!" Seriously though, I can't "fill Gail's shoes." I want to follow the path she so vigorously forged.

When asked for a "job list," Gail wrote two pages. After committee members added overlooked tasks, I quickly realized that to stay on the path, I really needed help in defining what other committee members have done, in dividing the current tasks and in planning for the future.

We began this process at the Executive Committee (formerly known as the Board) retreat at Allison Cox's Vashon Island home before the NSN Conference. We started by naming what HSA has accomplished, then reviewed the bylaws and restructured committees.

We're excited about formally creating Action Committees. HSA has always advocated networking. Our website lists more than

thirty focus areas to help connect members with similar interests. Some of us find that a bit daunting. Thinking of other ways to bring people together, I researched organizational structure and found the Community Toolbox; <http://ctb.ku.edu/index.jsp>.

"Action committees are committees formed by larger organizations to bring about the changes sought by the organization. ...The aim of action committees is to bring about specific changes in programs, policies, and practices in the sectors in which they work. Members of action committees are the ones who roll up their sleeves, dig in, and reach the group's objectives by carrying out the steps that will make them real, and not just 'real nice ideas.' They are the ones who transform the community..."

You'll soon receive the revised bylaws for approval. Look there for more information. I'd like to know what Action Committees you'd like to join.

Vanita Moore, Chair

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