



PNEIG Minutes

Date: Annual General Meeting Saturday May 7 2016

Present: **Executive:** Marianne Cochrane, Sally Dampier, Elizabeth Edwards, Mary Guise, Priya Herne, Madonna Martin, Michelle Spadoni

Membership: Christopher Draenos, Katherine Ewers, Carine Gallagher, Patricia Julian, Rose Jansen, Tammie McParland, Luella Orr, Marja Pehkonen, Karen Poole, Carolelina San Jose, Patricia Sevean, Valerie Smith, Marie St. Onge, Lisa Teljeur, Mary Claire White,

Regrets: **Executive:** Rachel Caris, Deborah Kane, Erin McLean, Brenda Ridley

AGENDA ITEM	COMMENTS	ACTION ITEMS
Call to order	Priya called the meeting to order at 0845	
Approval of the minutes	The minutes from last year's meeting were not available. They will be posted as "not yet approved" on the website and approved at next year's meeting. The minutes from this meeting will also be posted on the website as "not yet approved" and approved at the next annual meeting.	Brenda Ridley
Reports		
Chair – Priya Herne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priya introduced some of our members. Valerie Smith, the first Chair of PNEIG, was present. PNEIG will be hosting the RNAO AGM in 2017 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priya reported on a successful year highlighting our monthly communication strategy. She felt this was instrumental in connecting with the membership. • We hosted a speaker at our last annual meeting, a symposium in September and the panel today. All events have been well attended • We hope to expand to including video conferencing in the future for some of our events to reach out to more members • The vacant positions on the executive were listed. All positions have been filled on the executive this year and we hope to be able to do that again. 	
<p>Past Chair – Marianne Cochrane Interest Group Representative to the Board</p>		
<p>Finance – Sally Dampier</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  PNEIG Balance Sheet as at March 3: </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  PNEIG Profit & Loss for year ending Mar </div> </div> <p>We are in good shape financially. Our income is down slightly as we have seen a decline in the number of RNs joining PNEIG. This has been offset by an increase in the number of students joining which thrills us. Student membership is offered at no cost to NSO members. The decrease in revenue is not a concern at this point. We have spent more money this year, which is good, as we have put on more events in the regions as well as a symposium in conjunction with the September RNAO Assembly which was well attended.</p>	

	<p>Money is available to the regions to sponsor or co-sponsor events with other interest groups or Chapters. The executive wants to revisit the amount available however inquiries are welcome either directly or through your Regional Representative.</p> <p>PNEIG sponsors \$3000 annually in Education awards, \$5000 in Research and \$3000 to sponsored student memberships to RNAO</p> <p>RNAO has indicated that they are happy with the management of our funds by First Stage Enterprise Inc. We have had some issues with timely reimbursement of expenses and continue to work with First Stage Enterprise on this issue.</p>	
Membership – Mary Guise	 <p>PNEIG Membership Statistics 2015-16 M:</p> <p>Membership Statistics for the last few years. Noting that our membership numbers of Unregulated Nurses (students) is rising – which is encouraging. Our number of lapsed members is down after several email blasts encouraging them to rejoin PNEIG.</p>	
Newsletter – Mary Guise	<p>Newsletters have gone out almost monthly this year. We will continue to send them out.</p>	
Website – Mary Guise	<p>The website is dynamic and updated weekly. Our numbers indicate more people visiting the website each month.</p>	
Policy & Political Action - Elizabeth Edwards		
MAL Education – Elizabeth Edwards	<p>Elizabeth reported that she and her Education Committee had looked at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The experiences and difficulties with the new NCLEX exam for registration 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The difficulty in obtaining appropriate preceptors in a climate that is seeing a more diverse skill mix • The difficulty in obtaining preceptorships in rural and northern settings • The costs that students face during their education • Concerns about the availability of supports for new graduates in the workplace • RNAO is hosting a webinar about their work on Human Resource planning this upcoming week. A press conference is being held on Monday May 9th • The Member at Large positions will continue for one more year. The model of governance for RNAO will change after the next AGM. The regional representatives will then share these portfolios • Elizabeth introduced Tammie McParland as the new MAL for Education for this upcoming and final year • The new model of governance will see a student representative as well as a member of the public added to the Board – Option B of the three models presented to the membership to vote on. • The Board will be taking more of a governance role • Elizabeth thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve as MAL for Education 	
Regional Rep West - Deborah Kane	Deborah was attending another Interest Group Meeting	
Regional Rep South – Madonna Martin	Madonna reaches out to the Chapters in her region regularly. She finds that she doesn't always get a response. Each regional rep. has the contact information for their Chapters. There is a space on the website for posting of regional activities under the name of each regional representative.	

Regional Rep East – Erin McLean		
Regional Rep North – MichelleMarie Spadoni	In the North we are working with other RNAO interest groups, given that it is typically the same group of people who attend nursing events. At Christmas we hosted an evening with Dr. Kristen Jones-Bonofiglio exploring the use of “restored stories” as a means for RNs to discuss moments of clinical uncertainty. It went very well, and we had several RNs attend who had graduated within the last three years.	
Student Representative (NSO) – Rachel Caris		
Business Arising		
New Business		
Executive Positions	<p>The following positions were filled at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-Chair – Education – Sally Dampier • Co-Chair – Service – remains vacant. Priya Herne indicated she will continue to serve until we find a new co-chair • Treasurer – Marianne Cochrane • Membership ENO – Christina Lamb has indicated she is willing to serve on the executive. She wasn’t able to attend this meeting. This is a good entry position on the executive • Newsletter – Madonna Martin • Website – Carolelina San Jose • Graduate Student Representative – Priya Herne 	Mary Guise to contact Christina to see if she will fill this position

	The Regional Representative position for the South may need to be filled.	Mary Guise to check. Post in the next newsletter if it is vacant.
Resolutions	<p>Member Pat Sevean noted that several of the resolutions passed will affect nursing education directly. Resolutions were on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing Students and the Mandatory Blood Testing Act • NCLEX-RN exam and Canadian values • Mental Health Nursing on Ontario Post-Secondary Campuses • Truth and Reconciliation Report Recommendations 	
Next Meeting	<p>April 29 2017 Breakfast – 0800 Business Meeting – 0830 Program - 0900</p>	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 0930 for the panel discussion	