



**CDHNS Annual General Meeting
June 1, 2013
Scotiabank Theatre, Marion McCain Building
Faculty of Arts and Science Dalhousie University**

CDHNS Annual General Meeting Minutes

1. Announcements

Patricia Grant, Registrar of the CDHNS, made a few announcements including a thank you to CIBC Wood Gundy who provided the pens and notepads for the attendees.

2. Call to Order

Wendy Stewart, Chair of the Council, called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

3. Chair's Address and Welcome

Wendy Stewart welcomed everyone to the fourth annual CDHNS business meeting. She introduced the Council Members to the attendees. In attendance were: Joyce Lind (Vice-Chair), Sara Harding (Executive Member), Ann MacArthur (Executive Member), Simone d'Entremont, Francine Leach, Joanne Noye, Angie Parker, Donna Samson, Greg Glynn (Public Member), Cathy MacLean (Public Member).

4. Additions to the Agenda

Wendy Stewart called for any additions or amendments that were needed to the Agenda. There were no additions or amendments to the agenda brought forward.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented: Francine Leach, seconded by Joyce Lind. Motion carried.

6. Approval of CDHNS AGM May 26, 2012 minutes

Members were asked to review last year's minutes for any errors or omissions. There were no errors or omissions reported.

Motion: To accept the Minutes as circulated: Patty Powell, seconded by Sara Harding. Motion carried.

7. Annual Report / Audit Statements- copies circulated

Patricia Grant reminded everyone that the annual report is a public document which reports on the College's activities over the past year. She spoke to some of the highlights in the report including: the Mega End, the President's Message, the CDHNS Committees, and the Ownership Linkage meetings that moved around the province this year, and the information member management system that will begin at the College this year.

Patricia updated the members on the changes to the licence renewal process through the new information member management system. She showed the renewal process step by step through a PowerPoint presentation that included screen shots from the new system.

Patricia also spoke to the ads in the annual report that were published in Our Children magazine, including the ad placed in January 2013 that stated they can receive a sticker chart for their child from the College. There were several requests to the College from parents in Nova Scotia.

She pointed out that the financial statements were in the back of the annual report and that Council met the previous day with the auditor for an in camera session to go over the financials of the College.

8. Report of the Nominations Committee

A call for nominations was published in the December 2012 edition of the Unison. Only members who are licensed and are in good standing are eligible to run for Council.

9. Election of New Council

There were five nominations for the vacant positions on Council. The following have been duly nominated; Jerry Craig (Dartmouth), Sara Harding (Bridgewater), Joyce Lind (Sydney), Ann MacArthur (Windsor), Wendy Stewart (Halifax). These members have been elected by acclamation to Council for a term of two years.

10. CDHA Presentation – Joanne Noye, NS representative

Joanne Noye, showed a CDHA PowerPoint presentation to the membership. This clarified what CDHA is working on behind the scenes, their goals, and expanded on the value of CDHA membership.

11. Special Recognitions

Wendy Stewart presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Joanne Noye for her four outstanding years of service as a CDHNS Council Member and longstanding service to her profession.

12. Ownership Linkage Survey

Wendy Stewart drew the member's attention to the request form to join a Committee. The Hearing Committee is currently looking for new members, however members are free to choose whichever committee they would like to join and will be placed on a list for when new members are needed.

At last year's AGM, Karen Wolf discussed PRESTO, and members were invited to talk about projects which generated discussion. This year, there has been a lot of focus on children. The Ownership Linkage Committee devised some question on early childhood carries for the members to answer. The members were given five minutes to complete the survey.

13. Adjournment

Wendy Stewart adjourned the meeting at 2:17pm.

Door prizes were donated from CDHA and CDHNS. The winners were: Mandy Cook, Nathalie MacIsaac, Mary MacPherson, and Heather Bell.

Continuing Competency NS Drug Information System

Patricia Grant presented the speakers from the NS Drug Information System, Dr. Ron Wilson and Judy Samson. They presented an overview of the NS Drug Information System including how drug information is shared among colleagues and professionals, the timeline for this project, how dental hygienists can be involved and the impact on the dental hygiene profession, and the benefits to Nova Scotians.

Members asked several questions including:

Would clients, who are on chemo in a daily basis, yet attend dental hygiene appointments, show up on the drug registry? - No, they are prescribed by the hospital on an out-patient basis, and would not show up in the system.

Why are all public health records shared with all health professions, does everyone need the access, and why do all health professionals have the right to look at client's health record? Under the Personal Health Information Act, Nova Scotians can opt out of having their information shared, with the exception of being in imminent danger to your personal health.

Are narcotic and controlled medications going to continue being tracked or would they be incorporated in the system? All prescriptions will be within the system.

Are there any jurisdictions worldwide where this is the now the norm? PEI has a form of a system, and Alberta is working on their system. Nova Scotia's system will be strictly clinical and when complete the most comprehensive.