



CDHNS Minutes Annual General Meeting

June 12, 2011 at 10am

Quality Inn & Suites Halifax

980 Parkland Drive

1. Attendance

Approximately 200 members gathered at the Quality Inn and Suites, located in Halifax NS to be a part of the College of Dental Hygienists of Nova Scotia's second annual general meeting.

2. Presidents Address and Welcome

Karen Wolf, Chair of the CDHNS Council addressed the gathering and welcomed the members.

3. Greetings from CDHA

Palmer Nelson, president of the CDHA addressed the membership and brought greetings from the national association.

4. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am

5. Announcements

Patricia Grant, Registrar of the CDHNS, made several housekeeping and College announcements.

6. Approval of Agenda

6.1 Motion: To approve the agenda as presented. Move Wendy Stewart, and seconded Amy Gough, Motion approved by consensus.

7. Approval of June 5, 2010 minutes

The minutes from the June 5, 2010 meeting were read aloud as it was difficult to see the projection for those seated at the back of the room.

7.1 Motion to approve the minutes was put forward by Cathy Acker and seconded by Dianne Chalmers. The minutes were approved by consensus.

7.2 Motion to amend the minutes of June 5, 2010 on page 2, item 3 Representative Annual Reports received for information, to read "it was discussed" rather than "it is agreed" Moved by Burglind Blei, seconded by Marion Taylor, the amended minutes were approved by consensus.

It was agreed that the minutes will be printed in the spring edition of the Unison Newsletter prior to the AGM meeting.

8. Volunteer list

Members were encouraged to sign up to volunteer and participate in the CDHNS process.

9. Annual Report

The annual report was available for the members at the registration desk, and several key items were addressed by the Chair, Karen Wolf, and the Registrar, Patricia Grant.

The registrar included in her remarks a review of the CDHNS's role as the regulatory body and subject to that; to promote the profession. She remarked on the format of the report, that it is a public document so it is important that it explain the role of the College as well as record the business of the CDHNS for the past year. It profiles how the CDHNS relates to its owners: the public and the membership.

Following discussions regarding CPR requirements, a motion was brought forward from the floor.

9.1 Motion: To have the Continuing Competency Committee send out a survey to membership to review point allocation and category selection for CPR Certification. Mover: Burglind Blei, Seconded: Rosemary Bourque, approved by consensus.

10. Auditor's Report

The report of the auditor Henri Michaud of Wilde Timmons Michaud Inc. Chartered Accountants as approved by the Council was presented on the screen and reviewed by the registrar for the information of the membership. During the past year the CDHNS has established a reserve fund to finance contingencies related to the costs of disciplinary matters. This is consistent with most comparable regulatory and discipline bodies.

The opinion of the auditors is recorded as "In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the College of Dental Hygienists of Nova Scotia as at April 30, 2011, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Canadian generally accepted accounting principles." The audit statements are posted on the CDHNS website after the AGM.

11. Report of the Nominations Committee

The Chair presented the nominations slate as provided for Council positions:

All nominees were declared elected by acclamation:

Sara Harding – re elected for a second two year term 2011- 2013

Joyce Lind – elected for two year term 2011 – 2013

Ann MacArthur – elected for two year term 2011 – 2013

Joanne Noye – elected for two year term 2011 -2013

Wendy Stewart – re- elected for second two year term 2011 – 2013

Rosemary Bourque – re-elected to complete a one year term 2011 – 2012

All returning and new members were welcomed to Council.

12. Awards and thank you

Two out-going council members Stephanie Stevens and Dianne Chalmers were honoured with certificates of distinction for their service to the CDHNS and to the previous NSDHA, presented by Council chair Karen Wolf. CDHA representative Wanda Fedora was thanked for her service and advice to council and was presented with a bouquet of flowers. .

13. New Business

Ownership Linkage with members

Wanda Fedora introduced the ownership linkage activity under new business. This included the members breaking into groups each with a council member acting as facilitator. The groups tasked with discussing the CDHNS's role to protect the public, and to represent the membership. Members had the opportunity to express concerns they currently have, a wish list of where they'd like to see improvements, and what they appreciate about the contributions the CDHNS is undertaking. Each group reported back to the whole assembly. The information will be compiled and act as building blocks to future Council discussions on goals or Ends, that will be used to build the vision to direct our College.

The meeting adjourned at 12:35.

Attachments:

- Agenda
- Nominations Slate
- Copy of Annual Report 2011
- Copy of auditor's report year ending April 30, 2011
- Ownership Linkage Activity AGM June 2011
- Outcome of Ownership linkage activity