

GERONTOLOGICAL
NURSING ASSOCIATION
ONTARIO

Annual General Meeting

April 25, 2019 6:00-7:00PM

Holiday Inn at Yorkville, 3450 Dufferin Street, North York, Ontario

1.0 Welcome and Introductions, Introduction of Parliamentarian, Assignment of Recorder

2.0 Approval of Agenda

3.0 Approval of Minutes – AGM – April 13, 2018

4.0 Reports

4.1 President Report

4.2 President Elect Report

4.3 Communications Report

4.4 Membership Report

4.5 Student & New Graduate Liaison Report

4.6 Professional Advocacy Report

4.7 Treasurer Report

4.8 Appointment of Auditor

5.0 New Business

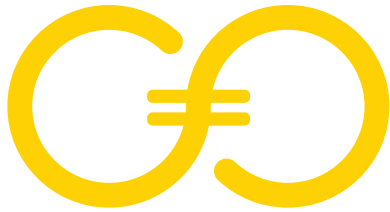
5.1 Board Nominations (President Elect, Communications Director)

5.2 Resolution re: GNAO member voting system

6.0 Awards and Recognitions

7.0 Other

8.0 Adjournment



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

April 13, 2018 0730 – 0800

Embassy Suites Hotel, 6700 Fallsview Blvd, Niagara Falls, Ontario

- 1.0 Welcome and Introductions, Introduction of the Parliamentarian and Assignment of the Recorder.

Julie introduced the Board of Directors present, Nora Boyd as the Parliamentarian, and Gwen Harris as the Recorder.

- 2.0 Approval of the Agenda – Moved by Annie Lam, seconded by Cathy Schoales. All in favour. Carried.

- 3.0 Approval of the Minutes from the AGM for April 24, 2017 – Moved by Therese Lim, seconded by Annie Lam. All in favour. Carried.

- 4.0 Reports

4.1 President (Julie Rubel) (see Annual Report)

- In the past, GNAO has had 11 active chapters. This year, due to vacancies in chapter executive leadership, 4 chapters were made inactive including the Great Ottawa Area, Bluewater, London & Area, and South East chapters. Our intent is to try to reactivate the chapters over the next year. If they are not renewed by April 2019, they are expected to be dissolved. These chapters could be restarted in the future with sufficient local interest.
- Our communication with members who join us through RNAO has changed this year as RNAO has created a new email system. The change has been largely positive though there have been some challenges ensuring consistency in messages shared between GNAO membership streams. We continue to work through this process and appreciate your continued feedback.
- The North East Chapter is trialling different web platforms through 2018. They will then present recommendations to the GNAO Provincial Board about which one will serve us best in the future. This platform will allow GNAO members to participate in events such as the AGM and other education sessions offered by chapters across the province.
- The Board has developed a partnership with the Ontario Geriatric Learning Centre (OGLC) with the opportunity for GNAO representation on the steering committee. Presently, they are creating educational videos that can be accessed through their website.

- Canadian Deprescribing Network: With national leadership from CGNA, several GNAO members are participating on the national nursing working group.
- Our Administrative Assistant Lydia Saleh has retired. We thank Lydia for her years of service and welcome Anthony Lombardo into the position.
- To facilitate a smoother renewal process for our online-joining members, the Board is looking at using to an online membership database, similar to that used by CGNA.

4.2 President-Elect (Therese Lim)

- see Annual Report.

4.3 Communication (Annie Lam)

- see Annual Report.

4.4 Membership (Karen Bakker-Stephens)

- see Annual Report.

4.5 Student/New Graduate Nurse Liaison (Patricia Julian)

- see Annual Report.

4.6 Treasurer Report (Gwen Harris)

- see Annual Report.

4.7 Appointment of the Auditor

- Motion: To hire MPW Accounting Firm in Strathroy, Ontario to complete the 2017-2018 year end audit for GNAO.

Moved by Gwen Harris, seconded by Therese Lim. All in favour. Carried.

- Motion: To accept all of the reports written in the 2017 Annual Report.
Moved by Leila Carnegie, seconded by Melanie Kelly. All in favour. Carried.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Board Nominations

Therese Lim was acclaimed to the President position.

- Treasurer position: Gwen Harris was nominated for the position by Annie Lam, seconded by Therese Lim. Julie asked the members present 3 times if there were any other nominations. No further nominations for this position.

Motion :To close this nomination. Moved by Julie, seconded by Therese. All in favour. Carried Gwen was acclaimed to the position.

- Co- Membership Chair: Tabitha Kellendonk was nominated by Gwen Harris, seconded by Therese Lim. The call was made by Julie 3 times to the membership. No further nominations for this position.

Motion : To close this nomination. Moved by Annie Lam, seconded by Melanie Kelly. All in favour. Carried. Tabitha was acclaimed to the position.

- Student/New Graduate Liaison position: Four students; Sarah Slack, Erina Park, Megan Simpson, and Victoria Cameron were nominated for this position by Gwen Harris, seconded by Therese Lim. A decision had been made by the Board to create a student collaborative group. A call was made by Julie to the membership if there were any further nominations.

Motion to close the nomination by Gwen Harris and seconded by Therese Lim. All in favour. Carried. The 4 students were acclaimed to the position.

- Professional Advocacy position: Julie made 3 calls to the members for nominations. None came forth. This position will remain open for the remainder of the day.

- Addendum: Michelle Proudfoot came forward later in the day interested in the position.

Motion: Michelle was nominated for this position by Christopher Kask, seconded by Jennifer Calver. All in favour, Carried. Michelle was acclaimed for the position.

5.2 Resolution re: Quorum for the AGM.

Julie read the resolution as follows:

Background

This resolution is brought forward to members in response to recent concerns with in-person attendance at GNAO Annual General Meetings (AGM). The current by-law requires 35 members be in attendance at the start of the meeting to commence business. This resolution seeks to change this number to 20. It also behooves GNAO to move forward with technological advancements in electronic means to encourage members to participate across geographic distances.

Resolution #1

To change the number of members required to achieve quorum at a GNAO Annual General Meeting.

Whereas: According to GNAO by-law Section IV 9, a quorum at any meeting of the Members shall be thirty-five (35) Members. If a quorum is present at the opening of a meeting of Members, the Members present may proceed with the business of the meeting even if a quorum is not present throughout the meeting. For the purpose of determining quorum, a Member may be present in person or by telephonic and/or by other electronic means.

Whereas: Attendance at GNAO AGM in recent years has been trending downwards, which has made it difficult to achieve quorum.

Therefore let it be resolved to: Reduce the number of Members required to achieve quorum at a GNAO AGM from 35 to 20 members.

Motion: To approve the resolution. Moved by Cathy Schoales, seconded by Leila Carnegie. All in favour. Carried

5.3 Therese was introduced and welcomed as the new President of GNAO.

6.0 Awards and Recognitions

Recognitions of Board Members leaving their current roles:

Patricia Julian- Student/ New Graduate Liaison

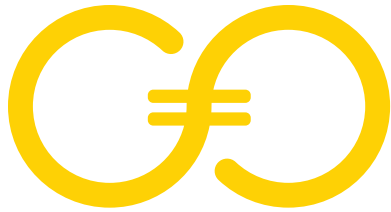
Karen Bakker Stephens – Co-Membership Chair

Katherine Gilbert – Professional Advocacy

Special recognition for Julie Rubel moving from the President Position to Past-President.

7.0 Other: no other business noted.

8.0 Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the AGM by Therese Lim seconded by Karen Bakker-Stephens.



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Candidates for the GNAO Board Of Directors 2019-2021

President-Elect: Melanie Kelly

Communications Director: Sarah Gibbens & Suman Iqbal