

NSCRT Annual General Meeting  
June 13, 2009  
QEII Health Sciences Centre, HI Site Room 6015

**Executive Present:** Barb MacDonald, John Cushing, Sarah Boyne, Phil Richardson, Trish Moriarty, Wendy Conrad, Carol Donaldson, Shannon MacDonald (Registrar).

**Members Present:** Bev Johnson, Dawn O'Hearn, Suzanne Gray, Erica Dehmel, Faren Doucette, Rory Lake, Beata Benimana, Kathy Spurr, Kathy Johnston, Raj Makkar, Ian Ayles, Dan Meagher, Dan Cashen, Rob Martell.

**Members via teleconference:** None

**Members present via proxy:** Gill Hatton, Lydia Hatton, Tim Sandford, Heinz Gaube, Jennifer Sullivan, Sheri Roper, Diane Decoste, Rhonda Dykstra, Shirley Druham, Shelley Cummings, Heather Dzioba, Alana Spicer, Denise Mitchell, Thelma Cashen, Stacy Webster, Crystal White, Donna Young, Dawn Oliver, Noel Pendergast, Erin Riley, Lorie Neily Saulnier, Vanessa Friesen Kent, Lesley Grant, James Taylor, Erin McAndrew, Karen Hamilton-McNutt, Roberto Ciocca, Holly Mitchell, Jane Clifford, Maureen MacPhee, Treena Hanschke, Lauren Power, Seely Alder, Louanna Bethune, Drane Kennedy, Scott Langley, Glen Bourque, Kim Thompson, Amber Blades, Jennifer Millett, Stephanie MacDonald, Tanya Frail, Joanne Beaton, Deborah Gillis, Norma Frank, Brian Connick, Melissa Jenner, Andrea Dale, Holly Kennedy, Amy Punke, Donna King, Marlene Noble, Elyse Mallay, Dolly Hayden, David Hiltz, Heather Johnston, Tracy Cushing, Val McCarthy, Jan Taylor, Cathy Potter, Ashley Davis, Doug Charlton, Kim Hooper, Andrea Bond, Andrea Audette, Bonnie Hillier, Joanne Townsend,

1. The meeting was called to order at 0900. The revised agenda was approved by the membership.
2. The minutes for the NSCRT General Meeting of November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 were approved.
3. Election of Officers: Raj Makkar and Dawn O'Hearn gave a brief outline as to why they are interested in the President –Elect position, as did Erica Dehmel for the DAL position. Denise Mitchell and Melini Sutherland were not present at the meeting.
4. NSCRT Annual Report: A copy of the report was presented to the membership. Barb and Shannon briefly outlined the contents of the document to those present. Kathy Johnston inquired about the process for

public appointments to the Board. Both Shannon and Barb explained that a letter of interest along with a resume be forwarded to the Registrar, then to DOH for approval. Looking for individuals with public service or Board experience or those with legal or financial backgrounds for example. Barb made note of the upcoming survey to help develop the NCP, all members are encouraged to participate.

5. Financial Report / Appointment of Auditors: Trish commented on both the auditors report and financial report. Both reports were currently in draft copy only, once finalized they will be placed on the NSCRT website. Trish commented that the College is in good financial position and reminded members of the education fund: \$100 in province and \$200 out of province. Kathy Spurr inquired if the college had financial ties with the AARC which we do not, the College does support the efforts of the AARC. Kathy S also inquired re funding opportunities for research activities, at present the College has no funding however the Board will discuss the matter. Rob M inquired if the amount for educational funding could be increased, at present not until the College becomes more secure with its financials. Phil R stated at this time that other similar Colleges have a lot more money set aside for legal issues that may arise.
  
6. Awards
  - 6.1 Presentation of CAREstream Student Excellence award – Faren Doucette. Congratulations Faren.
  
  - 6.2 CSRT Student Video award – Michael Wheatley. Michael was not present today, he accepted his award at the CSRT conference. Congratulations Mike.
  
  - 6.3 Robert Merry Lecturer award – Phil Richardson. Phil was acknowledged at the CSRT conference, congratulations Phil.
  
7. Guest Speaker – Mr Bill Lahey. Mr Lahey gave a very informative talk and the College would like to thank him for taking the time to attend the meeting. Mr Lahey discussed different models of care as it pertains to regulated and self regulated Colleges and institutions. A discussion ensued from various questions by members.
  
8. Business Arising from the minutes.

8.1 CEC update / Credentials Committee report – Phil provided a verbal report . Barb encouraged the membership to continue providing feedback on CEC recommendations etc. Dan M raised the issue of people returning to practice having difficulty obtaining CEC's, the Board will continue to look at this issue.

9. New Business:

9.1 Professional Practice Committee report – Rob M presented a report for the membership and outlined key features. Phil R made the suggestion that the committee be comprised of members with differing expertise, eg AA, flight RT etc.

9.2 /9.3 Nominations Committee report / Election results: Carol reported 112 ballots which represents approx 72% of the membership. The Board requires 7 members, next year the Board will be looking for a Treasurer and 1 DAL. The new President-elect is Raj Makkar, the 2 new DAL positions are Denise Mitchell and Melini Sutherland.

10. Question period / Information Sharing: Barb along with the rest of the Board and members present acknowledged the work and dedication of those members stepping down from the Executive: Phil Richardson, Wendy Conrad and Carol Donaldson.

The meeting was adjourned at 1102.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Cushing  
Director at large