

RNAO Windsor-Essex Chapter Executive Meeting Minutes  
Monday June 18th, 2012 18:30-20:30

Location: Taza Mediterranean Restaurant - 350 Cabana Rd E (behind Armando's)  
Meeting over Dinner  
Attendees: Crystal, Cheryl, Veronika, Kelly, Kim, Jennifer, Pat, Amanda  
Regrets: Lynda, Mercedes, Dana

Welcome

**Budget Update:** Veronika reported that as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, there is \$3700.76 in our account. She received the funding for the March 31 event & will be submitting the request for developmental funding for Nurses' Week events once she has received all the receipts.

**Social Media Status Update:** Mercedes sent a report through Jennifer that we have 28 "likes" on Facebook. We are aiming for 30.

Kim reported that there are 3 members on her RNAO LinkedIn group. She will put a notice in the next newsletter to invite more members to join this group.

Jennifer reported that we have had 9,083 page views on the [www.windsorsexrnao.org](http://www.windsorsexrnao.org) site.

**Student Events/Initiatives Update:** Crystal reported that she followed up with RNAO home office & there are no more free memberships available for new graduates. There are \$50 memberships though that will last until Oct 31 of this year.

Cheryl reported she contacted David McChesney at home office about the issues concerning horizontal violence and harassment between BScN & RPN students at the college. He suggested that the two groups get together & have a teacher there as a mediator. Discussion followed about Denise Koster speaking to the students, but the tentative date for Denise to come is December 6<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be over by then.

Kelly suggested that perhaps we could draft a letter to the St Clair College nursing coordinators telling them that our group has heard that there is some tension between BScN & RPN groups & let them know that we may be able to offer some resources that could help them with this issue.

**Action item:** Crystal & Kelly will work on drafting a letter by June 30<sup>th</sup> & will circulate it to the executive for feedback.

**Action item:** Jennifer will talk to Lynda Monik about the date for Denise Koster to come.

**Promo Items:** Kelly circulated two examples for RNAO Essex chapter business cards. We unanimously decided on the 2<sup>nd</sup> example as it was more colourful. It was also suggested that we add the icons for Facebook & LinkedIn as we have our RNAO group with them. We also discussed changing the name of our website to [www.wernao.org](http://www.wernao.org) but the majority felt that staying with the present site address was best.

Debriefing:

**CRNE June 6<sup>th</sup>:** Jen, Kelly, Amanda, & Pat, as well as Kathy Pfaff from the University of Windsor, greeted the graduates after they were finished their exam. The graduates were offered chocolate syringes that Kathy had ordered. We also set up a table with a lot of RNAO promotional material available. The graduates seemed appreciative. After discussion it was decided that we would pay Kathy \$200 towards

the cost of the syringes, which was about half the cost. Pat will bring the cheque to her.

Upcoming:

Chapter Newsletter: Jen circulated the newsletter that Kelly & she had worked on. All agreed that it was very well done & contained much valuable information.

CARE Centre Event June 20: Jen, Kelly & Crystal will make a presentation from 5 – 7pm.

Take Teresa Piruzza to Work - WRH – June 28<sup>th</sup>: Jen has arranged a visit for Teresa Piruzza with WRH. She will visit a number of units and get the opportunity to talk with nurses.

Updated Chapter Timeline of Events: Discussion about the topics for the workshop with the RNAO lawyer. Suggestions were: keeping your licence safe while engaging in social media, horizontal violence between health care professionals with legalities surrounding this issue, preventing lawsuits, issues surrounding the Good Samaritan law. If the horizontal violence issue is selected, Veronika suggested we also have Collette Clark from WRH speak as she did her Master's thesis on bullying.

Round Table: Discussion about having Barb Mildon come to Windsor to speak to RNAO members on Sept 28<sup>th</sup>. Pat stated that this date may not be the best as the nursing research conference is Sept 29<sup>th</sup> & that may affect attendance for Barb.

**Action item:** Jen will talk to Lynda about the date.

Next Meeting Scheduled for: Monday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Location: Armando's in Tecumseh 13039 Tecumseh Rd. East 6:30pm-8:00pm

\*The RNAO Chatham Chapter would like to join us, so we decided that an east end meeting site would be best.

**Action item:** Crystal will check this venue out & will make reservations and let the group know.

#### Scheduled RNAO Executive Meetings 2012

Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> – Armando's on Cabana

Monday February 13<sup>th</sup> – Smoke & Spice 7470 Tecumseh Rd. East

Monday March 19<sup>th</sup> – Armando's on Cabana

Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> – Jen's House

Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> - Armando's on Cabana

Monday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Taza Mediterranean Restaurant – 350 Cabana Rd. E

July – Summer Break

Monday August 20<sup>th</sup> – Armando's in Tecumseh – 13039 Tecumseh Rd. E

Monday September 17<sup>th</sup> -

Monday October 15<sup>th</sup> -

Monday November 19<sup>th</sup> -

Monday December 10<sup>th</sup> -