

## Feb 23, 2010 Executive Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Carolyn, Laura, Veronika, Pat, Jennifer & Lynda by teleconference.

1. Carolyn & Liz Haugh's resolution re abuse in the workplace was accepted for the RNAO AGM. It is #5 resolution.
2. There are 3 quarter century members to be honoured this year. Discussion re possible speakers & Aric Rankin was suggested to speak, along with Carolyn about their Haiti relief work. Possible dates are April 22 or 29. Carolyn will check with Aric re his availability.  
We will likely go to Lilly Kazilly's again. Pat will notify them once we have a definite date & she will invite the quarter century honorees.
3. Nurses week insert: Lynda will be meeting with Fred from Windsor Star Mar 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss this year's insert. If you know of any ideas for stories, please forward to Lynda. If you know of any nurses who are using their nursing skills in something other than nursing, let Lynda know as well.  
Discussed the inclusion of a message from the RNAO (Doris?) for the insert this year.
  - other event for nurses week is the Lois Fairley award. It will be stipulated this year that the person being nominated is alive. Possible date for award is Thurs May 13. Lynda will check with John about the date. No definite venue decided yet. Perhaps we should go to Hotel Dieu, since that is where last year's award recipient was from. It was suggested that we have the ceremony and reception in two different rooms, to dissuade random people from taking the food.
4. Remembrance Day project: Carolyn was the only one to lay a wreath last November. Laura volunteered to organize the event for this November.
5. speakers for future meetings -
6. Queen's park report – Lynda gave brief report
7. Lori Dupont event – Lynda heard back from Barb Deter from Local 08 & they are interested in support the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. Veronika also said that Local 11 would also give some support to it. Lynda will talk to Doris about making it a provincial event. Carolyn will speak to Barb Dupont & the CAW women's group about it as well.
8. Student event – Jennifer did a great job speaking to U of W students about the benefits of belonging to RNAO on Jan 25. The student rep, Emily Sheridan, thought that it would be useful for 1<sup>st</sup> year students to hear about it. Pat can speak to the first year profs about it if we want to pursue it further.

9. Nurse Café – Carolyn following up on Laura’s suggestion that we meet informally for discussions about nursing, or maybe to socialize.
10. Essex chapter AGM – no definite date set for it. Carolyn will look it up in the Guidelines to see if it should happen at a certain time of the year.
11. new business
  - CRNE exams – possibly will greet students after the exams. The date is June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pat will find out the location.
  - Carolyn stated that she would like to step down as president of the Essex chapter. Jennifer agreed to take over as president as long as we continue to offer our support.
  - Veronika asked if it would be okay for her to attend the Thurs evening & Friday morning of the AGM. Penny from RNAO felt it would be good for her to do so, since she is on the Bylaws committee. We agreed that would be fine & we would pay for her transportation to Toronto & she can stay in one of our rooms on Thurs night.
  - Jennifer offered to look into seeing if the Essex chapter would be able to have their own website.