

President's Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Name and Position/Committee: Veronique Boscart, President

Activities during this period:

Please find below an overview of my activities over the last year:

- We held ten monthly Executive meetings on June 7, July 11, August 15, September 12, November 14, December 12, 2016 and January 16, February 20, March 20 and April 17, 2017. October's meeting was canceled.
- We held 3 quarterly Board of Directors meetings on September 26, 2016, January 23 and April 24, 2017.
- A new user-friendly membership platform was successfully launched. This platform enhances members' experiences for membership renewal, facilitates the process of retrieving data per province, keep track of membership numbers and will help us in the design of tailored recruitment strategies to increase membership.
- Several CGNA Education Grants were awarded in 2016 (Alberta, British Columbia, and Newfoundland).
- We provided several endorsements and support letters (RNAO for the updated Best Practice Guideline on Delirium, Dementia and Depression, International Public Health & Palliative Care [IPHPC] for promotion of their 2017 conference and Canadian Nursing Student Association (CNSA) to express concerns regarding the NCLEX-RN exam).
- Successful call for research proposals and scholarships.
- With support from the Conference Planning Committee and Gerontological Association of Ontario (GNAO), we organized our 19th Biennial Conference of the CGNA – *Shaping Healthcare for those Who Shaped Canada* being held May 4-6, 2017 in Ottawa, Ontario.
- Continued involvement in the CASN Gerontological Task Force where the gerontological competencies for RN entry-to-practice are under development.

Additional notes and items to report:

- We reviewed strategic planning needs for the future.
- We investigated the possibility of electronic voting and policy/process changes to support that change.

Past President Annual General Meeting Report for May 2016 – May 2017

Director Reporting: Lynn McCleary

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Current Issues:

At the last Meeting of Members, we created the Communications Director position. This year, we are electing to fill that position. It will be great to have a person on the board dedicated to communications. This will make it possible for future past presidents to focus on supporting continuity and the nominations committee.

Activities during this period:

Worked with Christine Johnson, newsletter editor. Cathy Farrow, a member in BC, volunteered to energize our social media activity on Facebook and Twitter. She is beginning that in the month ahead of the Meeting of Members. Liaison between board of directors and *Perspectives* editors (see separate report from *Perspectives* editor). Attended and contributed to meetings of board of directors and executive committee. Chaired nomination committee (see separate nomination committee report).

Additional notes and items to report:

Thanks to Diane Buchanan and Anthony Lombardo for their work on Facebook and Twitter. Thank you to Christine Johnson and Anthony Lombardo for their work on the newsletter. Thank you to Cathy Farrow, for her Facebook and Twitter energy.

President Elect Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Name and Position/Committee: Mollie Cole

Activities during this period:

Practice Nurse certification exam in gerontology: The practice nurse association has hired a person to explore the feasibility of creating certification exams. If they decide to move forward with this initiative, they will contact CGNA as content experts.

Choosing Wisely – Gerontological Nursing messages: A group of 12 CGNA members volunteered to sit on a working group co-led by C.N.A. This work is expected to take about 6 months. The finalized statements are expected by November 2017.

Study group content for C.N.A certification exams: A study curriculum has been drafted and posted on the CGNA webpage to reflect the revised competencies for the Gerontological Nursing Certification exam. Key lectures to support study groups are being arranged and will be posted on the CGNA webpage as they are completed.

NGNA: The President-elect attended NGNA conventions in the USA as a means of building stronger relations with our 'sister' organization in the states. 4 members of that association are planning to attend the CGNA conference in Ottawa in May.

Scholarship committee: In the autumn, a poster was sent to undergraduate schools of nursing and practical nurse programs to promote CGNA and advertise the Memorial Scholarship. 6 applications received for the Ann Beckingham Scholarship and 4 for the Memorial Scholarship. The review committee will have recommendations for the 2017 Scholarships by the end of April 2017. One recipient of the 2016 award will speak at the CGNA conference in May at the Ann Beckingham Breakfast. The other recipients have been asked to submit a short article to the newsletter.

Secretary Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Name and Position/Committee: Heidi Holmes, CGNA Executive Secretary

Activities during this period:

In 2016, CGNA held 5 webinars on various topics related to gerontological nursing, with similar or increased participation from national members, compared to the previous year.

Thus far in 2017, CGNA has held 2 webinars, with a third planned for May 2017. The goal of 6 webinars for 2017 is well underway. Continue to seek out a presenter for a webinar on Truth and Reconciliation, as a possible future topic.

Thus far for the 2017 fiscal period, we have used 36% of the allotted budget. In 2016, webinars made a profit of \$906.83.

Continue to represent and contribute on behalf of CGNA on a Immunize Canada working group. Current activities include looking at literature and seeking out anecdotal stories of immunize success stories; what works.

Continue to work on Strategic Planning goals as well as webinar policy.

Additional notes and items to report:

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CGNA Treasurer Report for the period January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016
Annual General Meeting
May 4th 2017

1. Membership Report for April 01, 2016 – March 31, 2017

Total Members and Associates: 3, 609

Members: 2003

Associates: 61

Students Associates: 1545

A detailed breakdown of CGNA Membership is available on the next page of this report.

2. Reviewed Financial Statement January 01, 2016 – December 31, 2016

This is the third year CGNA has engaged in a financial review instead of an audit. For further details on the financial review, the CGNA Unaudited Statement of Financial Position is available as a supplement to this document.

3. Budget : January 01, 2017 – December 31, 2017

The 2017 budget was approved by the Board of Directors on January 23, 2017. Please refer to the 2017 budget for further details.

4. Accounting firm Ouseley, Hanvey, Clipsham, and Deep (OHCD) for CGNA Financial Statements for 2015 and 2016.

OHCD (Ouseley, Hanvey, Clipsham, and Deep) was appointed by the members for the engagement as CGNA's public accountants to perform CGNA's financial reviews for the years 2015 and 2016. Appointment of the 2017 public accountants will occur at the 2017 AGM.

Michelle Heyer RN, BScN (CGNA Treasurer)



**CGNA MEMBERSHIP
AGM 2017**

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	Auto-renew introduced for 2015-16 (except Ontario)	2015-16	2016-17
Alberta	185	164	234	230	212		234	261
British Columbia	234	278	199	286	219		222	241
Manitoba	59	43	58	65	75		123	132
New Brunswick	14	22	14	22	34		39	39
Newfoundland and Labrador	10	8	44	5	11		20	30
Nova Scotia	36	44	63	75	64		75	90
Ontario	60	1730	1932	1954	1843		1925	2751
PEI	24	19	20	22	22		47	37
Quebec		3	2	6	6		4	8
Saskatchewan	12	18	12	14	22		24	14
Other non-conjoint				2	0		0	6
TOTAL	695	2329	2578	2681	2508		2713	3609

This table includes all CGNA members, associates and students
Ontario numbers include 1530 Free Students

**Breakdown of CGNA Members, Associates and Students
March 31, 2017**

	Members	Associates	Students	Total
Alberta	241	13	7	261
British Columbia	224	16	1	241
Manitoba	120	11	1	132
New Brunswick	38	0	1	39
Newfoundland and Labrador	29	1	0	30
Nova Scotia	80	7	3	90
Ontario	1210	11	1530	2751
PEI	35	0	2	37
Quebec	7	1	0	8
Saskatchewan	14	0	0	14
Other non-conjoint	5	1	0	6
TOTAL	2003	61	1545	3609

Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association

Proposed Budget

January - December 2017

Income	Proposed Budget	
4110 GO - Membership Fees	\$	54,000.00
4115 GO - Educational Income	\$	1,200.00
4120 GO - Advertising	\$	600.00
4122 GO - Perspectives	\$	600.00
Uncategorized Income		
Total Income	\$	56,400.00
Gross Profit		
Expenses		
5110 GO - Board Expenses	\$	140.00
5130 GO - Travel & Accomodations	\$	1,400.00
5135 GO - Executive Expenses	\$	5,000.00
5140 GO - AGM Costs	\$	1,000.00
5145 GO - Bank and Credit Card Ch...	\$	1,700.00
5150 GO - Website	\$	300.00
5153 GO - Database Fee	\$	4,500.00
5155 GO - Grants	\$	2,500.00
5160 GO- Postage, Mailing & Courier	\$	50.00
5162 GO - Annual Filing	\$	20.00
5165 GO - Dues	\$	-
5170 GO - Insurance	\$	800.00
5172 GO - Operation Management Fee	\$	35,000.00
5173 GO - Provincial Support	\$	2,000.00
5185 GO - Network & Partnership	\$	220.00
5190 GO - Journal	\$	5,000.00
5193 GO - Webinars	\$	500.00
5195 GO - Photocopy, Printing & Stat...	\$	50.00
5210 GO - Accounting & Audit Fee	\$	5,500.00
5211 GO Bookkeeping	\$	5,000.00
5215 GO - Promotion	\$	450.00
5220 GO - Telephone	\$	700.00
5233 GO legal fees	\$	-
Total Expenses	\$	71,830.00
Profit (deficit)		-\$15,430.00

To be offset by conference profit

March 28, 2007

Research Committee Report

The 2017 Research Award competition has been launched. Applications are due March 31st. Applications and guidelines are available on the website. The committee expects to report on the successful applicant to the board by the second week of May.

The committee is always seeking new members as several of our members.

Members interested in being on the Research Committee should send an expression of interest to the Chair.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sherry Dahlke



Perspectives Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: *Perspectives*, Journal of the Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association

Director Reporting: Lorna Guse, Editor-in-Chief

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Current Issues facing *Perspectives*, Journal of the Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association:

There has been discussion about work on revenue generation for *Perspectives*. Cost is always an issue for national organizations such as CGNA which rely almost entirely on membership fees.

Activities during this period:

Editorial Team Meetings (2016): The editorial team (Lorna Guse, Dawn Prentice and Diane Buchanan) met five times in 2016: January 26, April 5, June 22, September 12 and November 28.

Three issues of *Perspectives* were published in 2016: 38 (3); 38 (4) and 39 (1)

Additional notes and items to report:

1. In 2016, we received 15 manuscripts. In 2015 and 2014 respectively, we received 15 and 12 manuscripts so this is about average.
2. We made a call for manuscripts for “Clinical Corner” submissions. This was intended to increase the number of manuscripts coming from clinicians and the call was sent to every provincial chapter and association. It was also placed in the newsflash and the CGNA newsletter. We have received in 2017, two manuscripts in response to this call. We want to develop a similar initiative through schools of nursing to encourage graduate students to submit their manuscripts to “Student Corner”
3. The call for abstracts for the CGNA conference in 2017 was included in two issues of *Perspectives*.
4. The editorial team submitted an abstract to the CGNA conference in May 2017, “Going the distance: Transforming your poster or presentation into a manuscript” and this was accepted as a paper presentation.

British Columbia BOD Annual Provincial Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: GNABC

Director Reporting: Catrin Brodie

Contact Information: catrinbrodie@shaw.ca

Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Recruitment and retention remain the greatest challenge. Mountainside chapter has closed due to no interest in meetings or executive leadership. Three provincial executive positions have had the same members take these rolls for 3 terms. Vote was held at AGM with no new nominations nor anyone showing an interest. I have concern with burnout of executive leadership.

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

Annual provincial conference held in Prince George with topics of education: Continence care and the older adult, Healthy aging in later life, who makes the health care decisions in the aging context, the power of storytelling, the current status of medical assistance in dying in Canada.

Additional notes and items to report:



Provincial conference in 2018 will be held in Nanaimo with the central/North Island chapter facilitating. They have already started conference planning. Tentative dates April 20-21 and topic what is it you want? AGM was held on April 1st with new bylaws voted on. I will send these to the society's act in the next few weeks. GNABC education award was presented.

Alberta BOD Provincial Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: Alberta Gerontological Nurses Association

Director Reporting: Terri Woytkiw

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Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

During the 2016-17 membership year, three themes dominated AGNA's work. These were support for certification candidates through study groups, sustaining chapters and member engagement.

The new CNA certification exam timing, and the sitting of two exams each year has made it much more challenging to offer provincial or chapter based study groups. This has been longstanding practice in Alberta, both as a support for members and as a means for recruitment. It remains a support that current and potential members seek out from AGNA. While AGNA considers how to support its members to prepare for certification, we are also eager to work with CGNA on ways to support members seeking certification.

This year saw the closure of the Medicine Hat chapter. In working with this chapter and their decision to close, the need for a mechanism for virtual meetings and education, as well as gaps in how the provincial executive supports chapter executive has been highlighted. This chapter like other smaller chapters, found it difficult to arrange education events and sustain an executive with a smaller membership.

Two working groups focusing on general membership and LPN membership have been meeting throughout the year. From the work of these two groups and the provincial executive, 3 new director positions have been proposed. A student director position, as well as a membership and education position will be presented recruited to in the coming year.

These three themes have resulted in the following actions for AGNA

- A review of AGNA bylaws with the primary changes being in the article addressing membership categories. The proposed categories, to be ratified at the Annual General Meeting, to be held April 21, 2017, consolidate membership categories.
- The executive has voted to offer free membership to full time undergraduate and graduate students.

- Three new director positions have been drafted and supported by the provincial board. A Membership director, an Education Director and a Student Director will be proposed for a trial, and we are optimistic that they will strengthen AGNA in areas that are important to our membership and help sustain the organization.
- AGNA is investigating Webinar platforms that would support provincial education offering for

In spite of these challenges our membership continues to gradually grow, increasing from 228 members at the end of our 2016 membership year, to 255 at the end of the current membership year.

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

AGNA's 2017 Annual General Meeting and Education Day will be held April 21 in Red Deer. This year's theme, Home is Where the Heart is, will include a number of presentations on programs and approaches to support older adults living in the community, and a panel presentation on mentorship in gerontological nursing. We are grateful for the support we have received from CGNA, as well as CARNA and CLPNA for this year's event.

Chapters have held various educational and networking events. Chapter events have included a panel presentation on gerontology research and student engagement in gerontology, an indoor picnic to plan chapter events, a movie review, a joint Teleconference meeting between Fort McMurray and Edmonton on the provincial Elder Friendly Care initiative, a networking supper with the Alberta Association on Gerontology "Care for Older Adults: the Key to Healthcare Sustainability.", sessions on Behavior Mapping and Aging in Place housing design, a Calgary city councilor, a nurse for 40 years, speaking on changes in the care of older adults and a presentation on incontinence.

Additional notes and items to report:

AGNA would like to give special acknowledgement to its Fort McMurray chapter members and their colleagues. Members from this chapter suffered great personal losses from the devastating fire in May of 2016. However, along with their nursing colleagues, they were involved in the evacuation, in supporting residents who were displaced, in repatriating people to the community after the fire, and in the ongoing rebuilding of Fort McMurray. Their strength and commitment to caring for their patients and supporting each other is an inspiration to us all, and they have our admiration and respect.

Manitoba BOD Provincial Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: Manitoba Gerontological Nurses Association

Director Reporting: Poh-Lin Lim

Contact Information: plim@vgh.mb.ca

Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Membership recruitment (on going): Successful year of recruiting and maintaining membership for around 118 members. Goal: continue to recruit members for 2017-2108.

Promoted auto-renewal using electronic membership renewal. <http://cgna.net/MGNA.html>

Membership categories and fees reviewed and approved by membership 2017-2018 membership year.

Launched MGNA website and Facebook for media outreach; and established Drop box for executives meeting agenda and minutes.

Liaise with community partners interested in care of the elderly.

Ongoing outreach and offer educational and networking opportunities for nurses and associates interested in Gerontological Nursing.

Review MGNA By-laws (planned)

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

2016 May 24: Annual General Meeting held followed by education presentation on “New Association of Registered Nurses of Manitoba (ARNM) by Karen Dunlop. At the AGM, MGNA nursing distinction award recipient honored: Patty Johnson, Director of Care (LTC), Misericordia Health Centre.

New executive committee members welcomed and inducted for 2016-2017. They are:

President: Tara McNaughton

President Elect: Stacey Morgan

Past President: Poh Lin Lim

Treasurer: Joyce Stabner

Secretary: Jennifer Moran

Media/Website: Brandy Stadnyk

Membership: Gayle Dyck

Education: Twyla Jaworski

2016 06 21, 1700-1900hrs.: Strategic planning meeting held from at CRNM. All members invited to attend. Discussed ideas for an education plan from 2016-2018, review of mission statement, and our 2018 fall conference and other creative ways to engage and recruit members.

2016 09 27, 1700-1900 hrs: General meeting held at CRNM followed by education presentation entitled "Diabetes care and management: Considerations for Practicing with the Elderly" by Kerry Heather, RN, BScN

2016 December General meeting cancelled due to winter blizzard

2017 February 21, 1700-1900 hrs.: General meeting held at CRNM followed by education presentation entitled "It's Not Right: PEAM (Prevent Elder Abuse Manitoba) Elder Abuse Prevention" – presented by Poh Lin Lim, RN, Med. GNC (c) and Dr. Lois Stewart-Archer Lois Stewart-Archer, BA, HBScN, RN, MN, PhD., PMHN (c)

2017 April 25: Pending MGNA Annual General Meeting with education day. MGNA will be held at Holiday Inn. MGNA nursing distinction award celebration plus induction of 2017-2018 Executive Members.

2017 May 3-4 CGNA conference pending: MGNA offering \$1250 CGNA conference scholarship to be shared by all applicants.

Additional notes and items to report:

Goal: To make MGNA known to the networks and liaise with care partners:

2017 March 6-7: MGNA Sponsored Dementia Care 2017 Alzheimer Society of Manitoba Conference attended by over 650 participants.

2017 May 9: Pending: MGNA will be sponsoring Manitoba Long Term & Continuing Care Association of Manitoba Annual Provincial Conference & Exhibition

BOD Provincial Annual Report for May 2016 – April 2017

Provincial Association:



Director Reporting: Julie Rubel, President

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Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Membership

- Membership as of March 31, 2017: 2759 members, including 1537 free students.

Communication

- GNAO is engaging in a website refresh. The website likely likely be ready to relaunch in late April 2017.
- The most current issue of the GNAO newsletter was sent out via email in March 2017 <http://gnaontario.org/gnao2013/wp-content/uploads/March-2017-Newsletter-Final-revised1.pdf>. The newsletter is sent out quarterly with editions released in July & November, 2016.
- Social media continues to allow GNAO to get information to members in a timely manner. GNAO is producing original content tweets/ posts, usually with respect to upcoming events, as well as retweeting/ sharing events or articles that may be of interest. This work is completed by our Student & New Grad Liaisons and our Communications Director.
- In July 2016 GNAO released another edition of the website segment entitled “Geriatric Nursing Never Gets Old” which highlights a gerontological nurse by introducing readers to their practice setting and exploring contributors to their success.
- GNAO is considering online collaborative resources such GoTo Meeting, Zoom or Webex, both to support meetings across large geographic areas as well as to facilitate education. Work around selecting a platform and developing policies around its use are ongoing.

Recruitment

- Recruitment is underway for 3 provincial executive positions including President-Elect, Student/ New Graduate Liaison (SNGL), and Professional Advocacy Chair. Interested candidates have been identified for both the President-Elect and SNGL positions. Elections will occur during the GNAO AGM in April 2017.
- GNAO is proud to acknowledge five successful student applicants have been selected for our CGNA 2017 conference attendance grant. Students were asked to submit an expressive piece demonstrating “Geriatric nursing is more than you think”. Plans to share these pieces are in the works.
- Recruitment at the local chapter level continues to be a challenge. The Provincial board will be discussing this issue at its board meeting in April 2017 to bring forward potential solutions. More information to follow.

Mentorship

- GNAO will again offer the opportunity for members to sponsor student or new grad to attend the GNAO AGM in April 2017. This opportunity entitled “Dinner with a Mentor” saw four students attend in each of the last two years.

Professional Advocacy

- GNAO was represented in February 2017 at RNAO’s Queens Park Day which included breakfast with 2 MPPs.
- GNAO sent a letter of congratulations to incoming Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs, Minister Damerla, in June 2016.

Provincial Conference

- GNAO regrettably was required to cancel the 42nd Annual Provincial Conference which was to be held in Kingston in November 2016 due to limited response. The GNAO board would like to thank the Conference Planning committee for their tremendous effort and dedication to GNAO.

•In further conversation with the board following this cancellation, it was determined GNAO would switch to a biennial format for the conference which will occur in alternating years with the CGNA biennial conference. The GNAO Provincial conference will next occur in 2018. Further information about location and theme will be found at

www.gnaontario.org.

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

- Each of GNAO’s 11 chapters plan and/ or promote local events throughout the year. GNAO education events vary in their format (webinar, in-person) as well as in their audience (some chapters now opening events to the public). Events are listed on the GNAO website <http://gnaontario.org/gnao2013/education/>. An example of such education was included in the

March edition of our newsletter; the event focused on palliative care and available resources for those working at the point of care.

- GNAO Past President Lori Schindel Martin proudly acknowledges the work of the RNAO Dementia, Delirium and Depression Best Practice Guideline revision team. The BPG officially launched in fall 2016. Many GNAO members contributed to the revision.
- GNAO has put itself forward to comment on a Health Quality Ontario Dementia Care in the Community draft standards document to be released in summer 2017.
- Membership Co-chair Karen Bakker-Stephens and former South East President Megan Hiltz provided consultation for the RPNAO Role Clarity LTC Expert Panel.
- Work continues on GNAO's Board Orientation Manual and Policy Manual.
- GNAO is represented on the 2017 CGNA Biennial Conference planning committee.

Additional notes and items to report:

- GNAO will be hosting our AGM in Toronto at Villa Colombo on April 24, 2017. The night will feature a panel presentation reflecting nursing roles as older adults' transition between health care sectors. We will again offer 'Dinner with a Mentor' which looks to connect students or new graduates with a GNAO member by offering to fund the AGM attendance cost and creating opportunities for networking. Details on the AGM are available at <http://gnaontario.org/gnao2013/education/>.

New Brunswick Gerontological Nursing Association

Annual Report for 2016 - 2017

Name and Position/Committee: John MacDonald, NBGNA Acting President

Activities during this period:

Since our provincial meeting in December 2016, we have identified some areas of growth we need to focus on. These include not only recruiting new members, but also the mechanisms to best reach all members. Although we are not a large province we are a single entity with members widely dispersed. Travel is not always easy, so alternative meeting options are under study for feasibility. In addition we will be striving for making stronger contact with like-minded organizations in the province to continue our role as advocates.

Developing a Facebook page is becoming a very controversial subject, I have attended several nursing education sessions on Social Media and the list of pros and cons for using this means of information distribution is making it a challenge to determine whether it is a viable mechanism or a risk. It will be an interesting discussion at our Provincial AGM.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on April 21, 2017.

Regards,

John MacDonald

Additional notes and items to report:

We are very interested in teleconferencing, video conferencing and web based options of reaching members in outlying areas. We would appreciate any information or experiences anyone would like to share.

Nova Scotia BOD Provincial Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: Nova Scotia Gerontological Nurses Association

Director Reporting: Jennifer Hayes

Contact Information: Jennifer.Hayes@nshealth.ca

Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Maintaining membership as well as attracting new members.

Providing members with information about education events within the province as well as online resources.

By-laws review and ongoing update of operations manual and development of replacement policies.

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

The NSGNA Education evening & 32nd Annual General Meeting was held May 12, 2016 in Dartmouth with presentations on Polypharmacy, Assisted Dying and Caring for Ourselves. We had a wonderful turnout for the AGM as well as the education evening and added some new faces to our membership.

Our executive for 2016-17 is:

President: Jennifer Hayes

President Elect & Facebook: Julie Sutherland-Jotcham

Past President / Nominations: Sohani Welcher

Treasurer: Esther Stamm

Secretary: Lori Quinn

Public Relations / Website: Susan Savage

Representatives: Suzanne Stevens, Raylene MacDonald, Edwina Touesnard, Tracey Coombes, Ruth Slack, Cathy Gamblin, Patricia Atkinson.

The executive met face to face in Halifax in June for planning. Most of our meetings through the remainder of the year are held by teleconference. We have had two focuses over the past year – reviewing by-laws and planning for education events in 2017. Various sections of the previous by-laws & guidelines are being examined and adapted into a policy format following CGNA style. We are hoping to have them ready for the membership in the coming year.

Over the past several years, we have had one event in the spring in combination with our AGM. This year we are looking at a second education evening in the fall. Association events are planned in coordination with other conferences and nursing events to reduce travel for members. We have also been able to “spread the word” about membership through presentations to students and talking one on one with colleagues.

Spring 2017 finds us looking forward to both our next education evening as well as having representation at CGNA 2017.

Additional notes and items to report:

Prince Edward Island BOD Provincial Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: PEIGNA

Director Reporting: Jennifer Pitre

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Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Membership attendance at general meetings.

Availability of members to increase exposure at educational events, i.e. booths, etc.

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

AGM held in May 2016

General meetings held in September and November with education sessions on providing palliative and end of life care to the elderly and information on pursuing a master's degree on PEI, respectively.

Information booth at “Making the Connection” conference in October

General meeting held in February with discussion of new website development and integration of social medial accounts to facilitate public exposure.

Committee planning of upcoming education day in April.

Additional notes and items to report:

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Newfoundland BOD Provincial Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Provincial Association: NLGNA

Director Reporting: Sue Ann Mandville-Anstey

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Current Issues facing the provincial gerontological nursing association:

Membership / Recruitment

Activities during this period (e.g., educational sessions, participation in provincial policy development):

Our new Executive began in Fall 2016

Our Executive have spent time promoting the CGNA Biennial Conference. Emails have been circulated as well as updates on our Facebook page.

Review and updating of by-laws has been ongoing. We are discussing the possibility having LPNs as members of our Association. We have had conversations with ARNNL (Association of Registered Nurses NL) regarding the regulations around having LPNs as members of a Special Interest group within the ARNNL. These discussions will continue in this next year.

New work has been in the planning of our Education Day and AGM in Fall 2017. We are currently working on confirming guest speakers, meal plans, registration etc.

Additional notes and items to report:

Our Secretary recently resigned her position in March 2017 due to work commitments. Amelia Reddick was volunteering with our NLGNA group and has agreed to be our acting Secretary until an election of Executive can take place in Fall 2017 at our AGM