

NCCORN State Council Virtual Meeting --Thurs. May 30, 2024 at 7pm

Call to Order: Chair/Amanda Heitman (Capital AORN)

- Roll Call of Members Present- Attended Virtually: Elieen Kraus (Capital AORN), Mary Pennington (Board Member/Capital AORN), Rose Mary Lee (Cape Fear AORN), Missy Hollard (Board Member/Dogwood AORN), Maria Fredell (Cape Fear AORN), Karen Lemmons (Piedmont AORN), Lisa Finch (Capital AORN), Lady Sue Bell (Treasurer/Piedmont AORN), Sonja Furr (Past Chair/Coastal AORN)
 - Please update your new Chapters Officer & Member Lists with AORN & Periop Corner
- Review Minutes of Last Meeting- AORN Coastal Education Seminar May 6, 2023, No Fall Meeting, Expo Gathering in Nashville
 - Virtual Board Meetings Held--Board Meeting Minutes (Kim Adler/Secretary) attached to virtual meeting invite
- Treasurer Report- \$3,627.45 (Lady Sue Bell/Treasurer)

Reminders:

AORN Virtual Expo is still open and free if you attended the 2024 AORN Expo in Nashville. 100 CE available, ends July 15.

National Time Out Day is June 12. Please remind your OR teams of how important this is in keeping our patients safe and celebrate what we do everyday to accomplish this!

Old Business

It was previously discussed, voted on, and approved to purchase a Zoom account to use to conduct virtual meetings for the NCCORN council. Amanda Heitman has purchased this for \$159.00 for a yearly subscription and will be reimbursed by the council treasurer.

Legislative Update

ANA Nurses night out at the legislature on Tues. May 21 at Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh, NC --300 nurses, 11 nursing organizations attended

Our group was Advocating for Bill 650 Smoke Evacuation in the Operating Room

Attended: Amanda Heitman, Mary Pennington, Leigh Anne Bartlett, Lisa Finch, Julie Martin

Meet House Rep. Donna White and thanked her for supporting our HB 650 Smoke Evac

Meet Senator Jim Burgin- spoke to him in depth about our reasoning for supporting this bill to try to see if he could help convince Senator Raybon to move it out of the stalled rules committee.

Jennifer Pennock AORN Government Affairs & NCNA lobbyist Patrick & Chris are working behind the scenes to help our cause.

Karen Lemmons on the National AORN legislative committee suggested we all reach out to our constituents to provide them more information on the importance of this bill.

Willingness to Serve

One received- Lisa Finch (Capital AORN) for board seat

Volunteer from the floor- Mary Pennington (Capital AORN) for board seat

Below is what we currently need- Amanda will be sending out an email with the ballot for member voting. Along with the proposed bylaws changes to vote.

CHAIR-ELECT _____ (*Serve as Chair-elect 5/2024-5/2025 then Chair 5/2025-5/2026*)

Currently Amanda Heitman Chapter 3413 5/2023-5/2024

BOARD MEMBERS

_____ (*One elected in the odd years, 2 elected in the even years*)

Crystal Hawks Chapter 3415 TERM to finish the term of 5/2022 – 5/2024

Mary Pennington Chapter 3413 TERM to finish the term of 5/2022 – 5/2024

Missy Holland Chapter 3403 Term – 5/2023 – 5/2025

New Business

Social Event

We spoke of a few options for this event and agreed to meet on Sat. Aug. 3 at 4p at the Zinc Winery in Durham, NC.

All are invited, members, non-members, spouses, partners, friends, pets on leashes. Venue rule although is no one under 21 is allowed.

This venue is free of charge, first come first serve no reservations needed. Food Trucks and live music will be there to enjoy along with wine, beer, bourbon, and non-alcoholic beverages. No outside alcohol is allowed.

We are welcome to bring any food items as long as it does not have hot plates, flame burner, or crockpots.

AORN Southeastern Conference- Nov. 15-16 Charleston, SC – Hosted by: NC, SC, Georgia, & Florida State Councils. Theme: “Power of Purpose, Better Together” -- Inviting RN, ST, Perfusionist, Students, Vendors, ?SPD. Friday evening is a cocktail social event with vendors present. They are modeling Georgia’s previous state conferences with AORN. AORN is working on a website for more information. AORN is sponsoring this event and is doing all of the logistics. Providing marketing, venue, registration, CE etc. CEs are confirmed for all above attendees except for SPD still needing confirmation for their hours. 8.5 CE are proposed, Florida is doing CE from vendors. Venue, registration fees, where to stay etc. will be coming from national AORN once everything has been confirmed.

States are responsible for vendors, speaker coordination and advertising the event. They would like each state to get forty attendees to make it successful. Each state council are also sponsoring a silent auction and all funds will go directly to each state council. So get those beautiful baskets ready and reach out to artists for those wonderful gifts. Other revenue from event is still being worked out but each council should receive funds after event expenses are paid. There are no risks to the councils, we do not put up any money up front, all funds are coming for national AORN.

*NC State Council will be holding there fall meeting at this event. So hope to see y’all there”

NCCORN Website- Kim Adler currently working with Mike Tucker to build our state council website

Adjourn—8pm