

WDPONA Meeting Minutes

April 2 2009
At Per Bacco Restaurant

Members in attendance

Janette Durocher
Heidi Le Boeuf
Nancy Berthiaume
Kelli Oliver
Pat Busteed
Chris Cass
Kat Strong
Donna Casagrande
Jen Brown

- 1) Our January conference at Caesars Windsor was very well attended. The feedback indicates that we all enjoyed the speakers. The association made the most money at the conference that it has in the past 3 years. Congratulations to us!
- 2) Nancy Berthiaume and Chris Cass will be attending the ORNAO board meeting in Toronto May 2 2009. A report will be given to the board regarding number of dinner meetings WDPONA has yearly, sponsored education opportunities and funding offered to RN's, number of nurses attending conferences, and any other changes to WDPONA by laws.
- 3) Treasurers Report to date indicates a current balance of \$15 900. Our plan is to send 6 nurses to Newfoundland (for the national conference) with \$600 each. Leaving us \$12 300. Our President's expenses for Newfoundland will be paid by the association totalling \$1865. Leaving our account with \$10 435. This money will be kept for the Niagara Fall Conference in 2010.
- 4) Nurses planning on attending the 21st National ORNAC Conference June 7 – 12th in St John's Newfoundland are as follows
Chris Cass
Nancy Berthiaume
Heidi Le Boeuf
Kelli Oliver
Kat Strong
Donna Casagrande
Jen Brown
Pat Busteed
Shauna Thompson
Jan Wilmott

Caroline Vanderviere
Ada Busa
Lisa Varacalli

Check WestJet website for reduced fares

*Early registration rates for the conference are effective until April 15th.
The fee increases by \$50 following that date. Register now!

- 5) We had a vote to add an extra point to the educational sponsorship point system. It now reads 2 points= for actively volunteering or assisting with planning of the conference.
- 6) The ORNAO 2010 Biannual Conference will be held April 25-28th 2010 in Niagara Falls ON at the Fallsview Casino. Attendance is limited to 200. Check out the ORNAO website for more details. Nancy and Chris will attend and will be hostesses for this event. Hope you all can attend.
- 7) Our next dinner meeting will be held in early June and will be hosted by WRH. Exact date and further details to follow. This is our annual membership renewal meeting so bring your cheque book. We will also have an election for secretary and treasurer. Hope to see you there! New members are always welcome.