



CSHP-NL BRANCH

**Semi-Annual Meeting**

Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland

St. John's, NL

Friday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

5:00pm

**Members in attendance:**

Heather Slaney

Bernadette Johnson

Lorie Carter

Angie Payne

Heather Ryan

Juan Edwards

Sarah Fennell

Brittany Churchill

Barb Thomas

Elizabeth Reelis

Megan Gulliver

Nicole MacDonald

Lisa Bishop

Andrea Woodland

Kristi Parmiter

Sydney Evans

Amanda Harnum

Rebecca Tobin

**Non-Members in attendance:**

Christina Tulk (CPhA)

Glenda Power (PANL)

Noelle Patten (NLPB)

Margot Priddle (NLPB)

Blake Fox (Fresenius Kabi Canada)

Danny LeBlanc (Teva)

**1.0 Call to Order/Greetings from the Branch President**

Sarah thanked everyone for coming, and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

**2.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest to declare for those present.

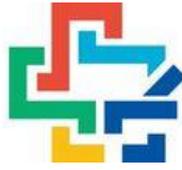
**3.0 Approval of the Minutes from the AGM May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

There were no errors or omissions noted. A motion to approve the minutes was put forward by Heather Ryan and seconded by Amanda Harnum. The motion was approved.

**4.0 New Business**

**4.1 Branch Council Reports**





#### **4.1.1 President's Report**

As branch president, Sarah Fennell provided the following highlights from her report:

- A balanced budget is predicted for 2017-18, mainly due to only sending one person to the national AGM. Sarah thanked our generous sponsors for their continued support of our branch.
- Fall CE Day is coming up on Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. The online registration link is now open, and the program can be accessed online via the Blue Jeans program.
- Welcomed a new co-chair of the membership committee Nicole MacDonald. They hosted a successful membership drive in June and presented a CE.
- Welcomed Megan Gulliver to the communication committee as newsletter and social media chair. Heather Slaney continues as website Chair in addition to her work as treasurer.
- Branch council met with provincial RHA pharmacy directors in June. Topics included hospital pharmacy compensation issues, technician regulation, and the new residency program.
- The first hospital residency program in the province has been approved. Eastern Health will be accepting 2 students to begin in June 2018. Thank you to Norm Lace, Barb Thomas, and John Hawboldt for their hard work in getting this established. Norm will be program director, and Barb will be residency coordinator.

Sarah moved for the adoption of her report, which was seconded by Lisa Bishop. There was no discussion, and the motion was carried.

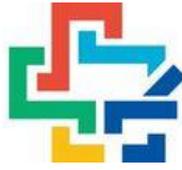
#### **4.1.2 Treasurer's Report**

Heather Slaney discussed the treasurer's report, providing the following highlights:

- Reminder of centralized accounting now. Due to fiscal year end in April, the focus of the report presented for the semi-annual meeting is the year-end statements for 2016-17
- Thank you to generous sponsors listed in report, which allows us to provide our member benefits and educational program
- Current year-end deficit as presented is \$1690, however this should be adjusted to a surplus of \$2459 (based on items included in the statement that should be moved to the 2017-18 fiscal year).
- One update to present for the 2017-18 budget that was circulated is that branch council approved an additional expense of \$150 to support the upcoming residency information session
- One of our fall CE sponsors that we rely on has informed us that they are no longer able to support us. We will be looking at ways to adjust our spending to account for this, such as decreasing the food budget.

Heather moved for the adoption of her report, which was seconded by Brittany Churchill. There were two comments. Barb Thomas clarified that the \$150 that is being donated to her residency information session was from an honorarium that she had donated back to the branch in the previous year. Elizabeth Reelis commented that we need to be careful to





maintain a high quality for our CE day because it is one of our biggest member benefits. If anything needs to be cut due to decreased sponsorship, we should cut somewhere else. There was no further discussion. The motion was carried.

#### **4.1.3 Delegate's Report**

As branch delegate, Lorie Carter discussed her report as follows:

- The next national board meetings will take place Sep 27-Oct 1 in Fredericton, therefore the update from those meetings will be reported on in the fall newsletter. Lorie thanked Heather Slaney for agreeing to represent our branch at these meetings since she is unable to attend.
- The new CSHP website is now live, and is a great improvement over the previous version.
- There are 2 new working groups within the national board to address important current issues: these are membership, and PPC revitalization.

Lorie moved for the adoption of her report. The motion was seconded by Andrea Woodland and was approved.

#### **4.2 NLPB Update**

Margot Priddle brought greetings to the branch on behalf of NLPB, and mentioned that this was a very active year for NLPB with respect to hospital pharmacy issues.

Margot gave the following update:

- Standards of hospital pharmacy practice now developed and in place and will come into effect in the next year.
- 47 pharmacy technicians are now registered, expect to have approximately 150 registered by the end of the year. Next year much change is anticipated in hospital practice as these regulated technicians enter practice. There will be much work in figuring out the scope and duties of assistants, technicians and pharmacists.
- New quality assurance program piloted in Gander hospital. Expect to have 3 hospital assessments completed by the end of the year.
- Margot encouraged us to reach out to representative Brittany Churchill or the board at any time with any questions.

Sarah thanked Margot for providing the update.

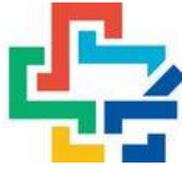
#### **4.3 PANL Update**

Glenda Power congratulated CSHP on another successful year, and thanked Sarah Fennell for providing a CSHP update during the Sept.21<sup>st</sup> PANL board meetings.

Glenda gave the following update:

- Another busy year for PANL, who are focused on negotiations with government. Noted the NLPDP contract expired March 2016. For hospital pharmacists, pay scale review and market adjustment are key issues. Glenda, Andrea Woodland, and Alicia Wall met with





finance minister Cathy Bennett at the end of 2016 to advocate for making the market differential a permanent solution. PANL has reached out to new finance minister Tom Osbourne to request a meeting to again discuss this issue. PANL is aware that the government has requested salary information for community/private pharmacists for the purposes of reviewing the market adjustment.

-Advocating in tandem with NLPB for the authority for hospital pharmacists to be able to prescribe in collaborative practice, which has been in the works for some time. They have learned that the government has indicated this will now be part of a broader review of scopes of practice of health professionals by health minister John Haggie.

-PANL underwent strategic planning session for 2017-2020. Thanks to all those who participated in the process. Priority area for PANL is advocacy, and Glenda noted that much work has gone into planning for the PANL conference.

Margot Priddle (NLPB) added that they are also advocating for the prescribing for preventable diseases, but unfortunately the focus of the department of health right now is prescription monitoring and the opioid crisis, therefore other issues such as these are seeing some delays.

Sarah thanked Glenda for providing the update.

#### **5.0 Other Business**

There was no other business to discuss.

#### **6.0 Adjournment**

Sarah thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone an enjoyable PANL conference. A motion to adjourn the meeting was put forward by Barb Thomas and seconded by Brittany Churchill. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lorie Carter*

CSHP-NL Delegate

