Director Report 2020

As you may be aware, Julie Sutherland-Jotcham tendered her resignation as President in July 2019. Julie has continued to be the administrator of our Facebook profile which has continued to be a source of information for many. We appreciate her ongoing support of the Association in this way.

Over the past year, the Directors have met regularly, often monthly, via teleconference. The Directors have consisted of Esther Stamm (treasurer), Ruth Slack, Susan Savage (website), Tracey Coombs, and myself (Past President). Raylene MacDonald has been an active participant in the group until recently. She is working toward retirement this fall and has stepped away from the Association at present. We have welcomed Belinda Pangilinan, who has volunteered to join our group in recent months and will share the duties of secretary during meetings with other members.

I have taken on the representation for Nova Scotia on the Canadian Gerontological Nurses Association Board of Directors. The Board meets virtually several times a year. Ruth Slack and I took part in the CGNA annual meeting in May of this year. CGNA biennial conference is scheduled to take place in Niagara Falls in spring 2021. Decisions about the conference taking place in person, as a virtual event or as a combination will be made in the coming months.

We have been discussing various options for our own Association to make use of virtual platforms to provide members with education sessions in the next year. We have wonderful resources within the membership and hope to make use of our broad range of experiences to share knowledge.

We are also hoping that others will be interested in taking part in Association meetings which will be opened to all interested members.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hayes

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