CMGH-CMMC College of Nursing Alumni Association

November 12, 2015

The Alumni meeting at Beverly Peterson’s home was held with 16 members present. Thank you Mrs. Peterson!

The business meeting was brought to order by Dorothy Crowley Noel, co-president.

A report from the Executive Committee Meeting held on October 30, 2015 was provided. Our financial advisor, Maurice Moreau, recommended that we keep our funds as they presently are.

A substantial donation was made to the Alumni by Donna Lee Belanger, class of 1962, who passed recently and remembered us in her will. Ruth Estes agreed to call the father of Donna’s friend and financial advisor. His father was Chief of the Medical Staff at the hospital where Donna worked in NY. He and Donna worked closely together. Ruth will gain more information about Donna and her many professional accomplishments in order to compose an article about her for our newsletter.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer’s Report: A financial statement was provided for each member. Shirley Quinlan and Maurice Moreau will meet to discuss what funds to transfer for scholarships to be given to student nurses in January. A motion to accept the report was made by Sally Bates, seconded by Ruth Estes and approved unanimously.

Nominating Committee: The nominating committee will present a slate of officers to the recording secretary at the December 1st meeting. The vote will take place at our annual meeting in January.

Protocol Committee: The protocol committee will resume meeting in 2016.

Newsletter Committee: Beverly Peterson reported that the newsletter has been sent to the printer. She is hoping that the meeting to put labels on will take place on Friday, November 20.

Remembrance Committee: Committee chairperson, Jean Pulkkinen was not present for this meeting. It was reported that Dottie Gardner was recuperating at home at this time. Jean visited her with flowers while she was at CMMC Rehab.

Scholarship & loan Committee: There are still outstanding loans. Discussion occurred for the future to change loans to grants. Marjorie Hansen made a motion “to no longer offer loans to students”, seconded by Sally Bates and passed unanimously. The committee will continue to discuss Scholarships and Grants and forward their recommendations to the Alumni.

Joan Neal will update the application for Alumni Scholarships – eliminating the information about loans. Joan will give the changes to Bonnie Colby ASAP who will make the revisions on her computer and will see that the information goes out to students before Thanksgiving break.
A motion was made by Marjorie Hansen “to add $7,000.00 to the present designated Scholarship Funds”, seconded by Beverly Peterson and was passed with a vote of 15 in favor and 1 not in favor.

Website Committee: Anita Taylor reported that pictures of the recent luncheon had been posted on our Face Book. The format of the July newsletter needs work. The committee continues to work on other stories and hopes to later post a story about Donna Belanger.

**Future Meetings:**

November 20th, 2015 at 10 AM (Friday) for the 125th Celebration Committee

December 1st, 2015 (Tuesday) at 11:15 AM. At the College, Holiday Party for freshmen nursing students followed by a business meeting.

December 19th, 2015 (Saturday) @ 10:00 AM, at the Universalist Unitarian Church in Auburn. Pinning Ceremony for Graduating Evening Students. All are invited.

January 15th, 2016 (Friday) @ 1 PM. Annual Meeting

**Other Business:**

There is still a need for a Chairperson for the Historical and Membership Committees.

The framed pictures of Mary Ann Burns and Susan Baltrus are ready for positioning. When our cabinet and pictures are moved to the long hallway we will plan a date for this with Sue Hiscock.

The Maternal Birthing Simulator for the School of Nursing will not be purchased as planned as it was determined that the school had other items they would prefer to purchase that would be more helpful. Dr. Carol Fackler will be in touch with our co-presidents before Christmas as to what the school would like to purchase. Funds from the Alumni Centennial Endowment Fund and the Arlette Lachance Magee Endowment Fund will be used and are being held for this purpose since the simulator is not being purchased.

The 125th Committee requested an Alumni donation of $1,500 to be matched by the college for the purpose of promoting the event. A motion was made for an increase to $3,000.00 donation by Marjorie Hansen; seconded by Beverly Peterson and passed unanimously.

An article by our co-presidents regarding the need to change our name in order to include the grads of MCHP was read and will be published in our November newsletter. One possible new name was suggested: Alumni Association - School of Nursing (first line) -CMGH/CMMC/MCHP (second line) In the article members were asked to send in any other suggestions by December 31st. We will discuss the subject further at our annual meeting in January. Members attending are asked to bring in any further suggestions and ideas for a new logo.

The meeting was adjourned following a motion by Anita Taylor seconded by Gloria Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernice A. Pelletier, Recording Secretar