

HTAOHN February 2012 Meeting

14February 2012

The HTAOHN February meeting was held at Shell Information Center in Houston, Texas on 14 February 2012.

The meeting was called to order at about 5:45 pm by President Jackie Baker. Twenty-six members were in attendance.

President Baker informed attendees of safety and health information for the meeting location: fire safety, stairwell and restroom locations, etc. and then began the meeting by thanking Denise Bach and Shell for hosting the HTAOHN meetings. Additional thanks were offered to Sheila Moreno with Select Physical Therapy for sponsoring the evening's dinner and educational program, along with Karen Ray, PT, CEAS, Industrial Rehabilitation Coordinator, Select Physical Therapy who presented the educational program "Evidence Based Practice."

All visitors were welcomed. A round table of introductions by attendees followed. Special guest Marie O'Brien was introduced by Janet Weaver.

Today's meeting schedule

5:00p - 5:45p Networking dinner

5:45p – 6:30p Business meeting

6:30a – 7:30p Education program

Committee Reports:

President –elect Dana Werner reported that chapter updates for TSAOHN website has been submitted. Linda Walker noted that the state has a new webmaster who is updating the website design and format.

Secretary Sandra Cole was absent.

Treasurer Terethia Walker was absent. No report given.

Director 1 (Education Programs) Denise Bach was absent; Jackie Baker noted that presenters have been found for the monthly educational offerings except for October and November. Next month's meeting will be St. Joseph. St. Joseph Corporate Care will be sponsoring dinner and educational program for the March. Frequent reminders will be sent to members of the change in meeting location.

Director 2 (Communications) Judy Perkins was absent. President Baker reminded members to notify Judy of any events for "Sunshine and Shadow."

Director 3 (Meeting Arrangements) Cathy Henning stated that the e-vite was well received. This program allows her to easily know who will be attending the upcoming meeting.

Director 4 (Awards, Recognitions, Benevolence, Scholarships) Marsha Vanlandingham was not in attendance.

Election Advisor Marsha Wood was absent.

Unfinished, Old Continued Business

Approval of January Annual Business meeting minutes Janet Weaver presented the motion for the January 2012 Annual Business Meeting minutes to be accepted and approved; Cathy Henning seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Volunteer Work President Baker distributed sheet for members to note 2012 volunteer work. Members were asked to complete the sheet or notify Marsha Vanlandingham of volunteer hours worked. This information is gathered to verify our chapter's work in serving our communities.

New Business

Reminders Chapter Pillars: Education, Membership retention and growth, Awards and OHN jobs.

Awards

Diana Haines won the AAOHN Nurses at Work photo contest with her pictures of physicians and nurses visiting an offshore platform.

Linda Walker presented HTAOHN Chapter received the TSAOHN 2011 Chapter Merit Award. President Jackie Baker accepted the award for HTAOHN chapter. Linda Walker presented the award on behalf of Connie Milliff, TSAOHN Director of Awards and Benevolence.

Melinda Harrison received the TSAOHN Jean Davis Scholarship Award. Jackie Baker received the award on behalf of Melinda from Linda Walker, who presented the award on behalf of Connie Milliff, TSAOHN Director of Awards and Benevolence. .

AAOHN Announcements

- AAOHN is celebrating its 70th year in 2012.
- Anyone planning to contribute to the March AAOHN newsletter must do so by Feb 23, 2012. Send contribution to the National Office; Cynthia Reeser is the contact.

- There was an improvement in membership despite the current uncertain employment climate and slow economic business from 5518 members (2011) to 6070 (2012).
- Revenue has increased by 13% from 2010. We gained \$234,018 in revenue in 2011.
- AAOHN is a sponsor of the National Nurse Act of 2011 to appoint a Chief Nursing Officer (CNO) to be the National Nurse for Public Health, providing leadership and focus for the shift to prevention, being highly visible, to increase prevention activities in all communities.
- AAOHN will conduct a survey of all members in February, to gather information for its 4 year strategic plan.
- See the AAOHN website for other announcements

Reminders

- Note volunteer hours on sign in sheet or send directly to Marsha Vanlandingham (Part of chapter work is serving our community.)
- Regular meetings are 2nd Tues of month
- Next meeting: Mar 13th
- Sunshine and shadows - forward to Judy Perkins
- Annual conference April 22 -2 5 in Nashville TN – important to use conference hotel (unused rooms paid for by AAOHN)

Meeting Adjourned Motion for adjournment by Alma Chavers; 2nd by Janet Weaver.
Unanimous vote passed motion.