



AORN Meeting

Thursday, September 10th

6:30 pm

Pizza & Subs, Rock Island

3700 Blackhawk Road, Lower Level

Speaker: Jean Demosthenes

Usages & Application of Absorbable

Hemostatic Agents

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Minutes: July 9th, 2015

The July meeting was held at the Bettendorf Pizza Ranch, with the business meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the March meeting were reported in the July newsletter, with corrections suggested by Julie Schafer. The corrections will be made to the March minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Balance in checking as of June 30th is \$3198.52, with \$91.21 in savings. I'll update this figure when I receive the August bank statement.

Membership: 36 members

Legislative Report: President Sue Goddard- Gerald sent letters to both Iowa and Illinois area legislators with information on AORN National Time Out day. She did receive responses from Iowa senator, Joni Ernst, and Iowa representative Dave Lobsack. She also sent the information to 10 area newspapers with no responses

Oregon has passed a bill requiring facilities to only hire certified surgical technologist to serve in the scrub role. New graduates will have one year to obtain their certification.

New York State Senate has passed legislation requiring private payers to provide reimbursement to registered nurse first assistants. The bill will now go to the House of Representatives.

Fundraising: We will plan to sell nuts from September 1st through October 15th so the order can be placed and nuts received before the holiday season.

We will plan the annual raffle for perioperative nurse week in November. Sue Siltman will investigate obtaining the needed raffle tickets. We would like to obtain a minimum of 500 tickets.

January 16th, 2016 we have a spot reserved at the Bettendorf Pizza Ranch to guest waitress as a fundraiser.

Old Business: The board met in early May to review the policy manual. Becky Gluesing is working to type out the revisions and bring them to the membership. If they are completed before the September meeting she will send them to the board for review.

Becky will send the newly revised by-laws to National AORN Headquarters through Deb Warren.

As a reminder, AORN newsletters can be accessed on the Genesis website:
<http://www.genesishealth.com/services/surgery/aorn>. It will be included in the careers section.

New Business: Elections were held with all officers agreeing to stay on for a second term. The slate of officers was unanimously approved by the membership.

Education: Sue Goddard-Gerald reported an educational opportunity from AORN headquarters on July 30th via a webinar presenting the guidelines for the prevention of retained surgical items. There will be 1 CEU available with this webinar.

Thanks to Steve Zephlin, 3M Infection Prevention Specialist, for the presentation on the Fundamentals of Steam Sterilization Process Monitoring. This is an important step

The September 9th meeting will have a presentation on hemostatic agents. [HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!](#)

Respectively Submitted

Becky Gluesing, Secretary/Treasurer