

Annual Reports to the Membership from the Committees  
August 2010 — July 2011 (the MWAOHN Calendar Year)  
Metropolitan Washington Association of Occupational Health Nurses

**Report of the Dinner Planning Committee\***

We had a great 2010-2011 season, averaging 30-35 attendees for each event. And, in November, our registration broke all records when 47 registered to hear Dr. Barnett speak to us regarding "Planning for Effective Crisis Risk Communication". We began the season meeting at the Ford Office Building and later moved to the Department of Labor. Our most recent venue has been at National Geographic Society (NGS), which includes free parking. We provide a parking list to NGS' Security Office seven days prior to each event and an attendance list two days prior to the meeting. For dinner, we continue to order sandwiches and salads from near-by Potbellys and they deliver for us. We've received no complaints (only praise!) regarding food and our new location. We've also been fortunate to keep cost at \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members, including meal and CEUs.

I want to thank the members who have assisted the Committee throughout the year -- setting up the meeting room and tables, greeting attendees, meeting and escorting the delivery personnel, and cleaning up after each meeting. These members include (but may not be limited to) Karen Barry, Charlotte Carneiro, Rebecca Jahandari, Magdalena Marquez, Phyllis Waslo, Mary Doyle, and Barbara Hayden.

If you'd like to be a member of the Dinner Planning Committee, you may contact the Association President, Barbara Hayden, at 202-641-1854 or by e-mail at [barbara\\_s\\_hayden@nbc.gov](mailto:barbara_s_hayden@nbc.gov).

Respectfully submitted May 17, 2011,  
Joe Ann Conrades, Out-going Chair

\* The board agreed to change the name of this committee from "the Planning Committee" to the "Dinner Meeting Committee" to reflect its straightforward mission: handling the logistics of our 5 dinner meetings each year. These include web registration, food procurement, welcome/sign-in, and clean up.

**Report of the Public Affairs Committee**

The Public Affairs Committee steadfastly maintains the MWAOHN Website and publishes news releases that described activities of MWAOHN members and the organization. As well, the Committee, in communications to members and potential members, continues to promote the value of membership and participation in AAOHN and MWAOHN. Recently, Dr. Toni Eason joined the Public Affairs Committee and will

become a member of the website team. Welcome Toni! We encourage members to submit articles and items of interest to the Public Affairs Committee for publication.

Respectfully Submitted May 16, 2011  
Claudia Beach, Chair

### **Report of the Membership and Nominating Committee \***

The nominating committee was able to recommend candidates for the following positions: Vice President, Treasurer, Board of Directors (2), and Nominating Committee (2). The ballots were emailed this year with fabulous results. The e-mail contained candidate information and a link to survey monkey in which people could submit their votes electronically. Access to the ballot results was provided to the nominating committee and the Chairman of the Tellers.

We had a successful election with 39 ballots being sent and 34 votes tallied.

#### **Outgoing members of the Board are:**

**Charlotte Carnero** ( Vice President 2009 - 2011); **Phyllis Waslo** (director 2008 – 2011); and **Esmee Swan** (Nominating Committee 2008-2011). We cannot thank you enough for all your hard work and dedication to this organization.

Any members who would like to serve on the board, please speak with any of the officers about their duties, and to members of the nominating committee about your interest.

Respectfully Submitted May 16, 2011 Karen Barry, Chair, Nominating Committee, along with Wenda Bold and Esmee Swann, Committee Members

\* The board agreed to change the name of this committee to the “Membership and Nominating Committee” to reflect the year-long mission of cultivating member engagement and recruitment, supporting the dinner meetings with hospitality duties, and finding members interested in serving as officers and directors.

### **Tellers Report**

Using Survey Monkey, we received a total of 34 ballots out of 39 ballots sent. This 89 % response rate is unprecedented, so THANK-YOU for your diligence, members!

The votes for the 5 vacancies were as follows:

Vice President	Rebecca Jahandari
Treasurer	Mary Doyle
Board of Directors	Denise James
Board of Directors	Magdalena Marquez
Nominating Committee	Karen Barry
Nominating Committee	Sharon Striker

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for your service to our organization.  
Respectfully submitted May 16, 2011,  
Claudia Beach, 2011 Chief Teller

### **Report of the Education Committee \***

The Professional Affairs Committee has hosted 5 dinner meetings in the 2010 – 2011 Chapter year, giving attendees 1.0 CNE/ CEU per lecture. The dates, speakers, and titles of the lectures were as follows:

September 15, 2010                      Tuberculosis    By Dr. Ronald J. Karpick, M.D. F.A.C.P.,  
F.C.C.P.

November 17, 2010                      Planning for Effective Crisis Risk Communication  
  
By Dan Barnett, MD, MPH

January 19, 2011                      Fever of Unknown Origin in the Local Population and  
International  
  
Traveler By Dr. Joel Taubin

March 16, 2011                      Back Injury Prevention    By Stephen Sarro, PT,  
FAAOMPT

May 18, 2011                      Health Promotion Overview for Occupational Health  
Nurses  
  
By Jill Dombrowski, PhD, RN

The 2010 – 2011 Professional Affairs Committee was composed of Rebecca Jahandari, Jill Dombrowski, Tony Eason and Charlotte Carneiro, who worked cooperatively to find speakers, submit applications to AAOHN for continuing education credits and guided the speakers through the process.

The 2011 – 2012 Professional Affairs Committee will be composed of Jill Dombrowski, Rebecca Jahandari, and Tony Eason, with help as needed from the board and previous members.

Any member or affiliate of MWAOHN who would like to help with the work of this committee, please feel free to contact the above members. All ideas and any help you can give are welcome!

Respectfully Submitted May 16, 2011

Rebecca Jahandari, Chair

\* The board decided to change the name of this committee from the “Professional Affairs Committee” to the “Education Committee” since that more accurately describes what this marvelous committee does: educates us!

The 2011 – 2012 Board of Directors are:

President	Barbara Hayden	term 2010 – 2012
Vice President	Rebecca Jahandari	term 2011 - 2013
Treasurer	Mary Doyle	term 2011 - 2013
Secretary	Doris Angulo	term 2010 – 2012
Director	Deborah Garrison	term 2010 – 2012
Director	Denise James	term 2011 - 2013
Director	Magdalena Marquez	term 2011 - 2013

The Membership and Nominating Committee members are:

Wendy Duano	term 2010 – <u>2012</u>
Karen Barry	term 2011 - 2013
Sharon Striker	term 2011 - 2013

Save the dates and bring colleagues  
to our fall and winter  
2011 - 2012 dinner meetings  
(the third Wednesday of the Month:)

**September 21, 2011**

**November 16, 2011**

**January 18, 2012**

**March 21 , 2012**

**May 16, 2012 (annual meeting)**