



**AORN-LA CHAPTER #0507
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2017**

1. WELCOME – INTRODUCTIONS

The LA Chapter met face to face at USC Keck Medical Center in the Aresty Auditorium of Norris Cancer Center. Networking time was provided as the members gathered and selected their meal options. The meeting was opened at 17:20 by Chapter President Suzy Axt. Ms. Axt introduced the speakers for the evening.

2. PRESENTATION

Our speakers for “Creating an Atmosphere of Trust in the Perioperative Setting

- a. Mr. Josh Hyatt DHSc, MHI, CPHRM, FASHRM, Executive Director, Office of Integrated Risk Management
- b. Mr. Brian Dawson MSN, RN Interim Executive Administrator Perioperative Services
- c. Both speakers are from Keck Hospital of USC

The presentation went through many scenarios leading up to a lack of trust between caregivers within the operating room setting. Some legal cases resulting from clashes between caregivers were discussed. Options on how to manage conflict were presented by both speakers. One supporting theme that was presented was the importance of involvement of the administrative team in physician/nurse conflicts. It is critical to patient safety to be able to provide care in a safe environment free from verbal abuse and retaliation.

3. BUSINESS MEETING

- a. The minutes from September 28, 2016 were approved as read.
- b. Treasurers report shared by Pattie Benton
- c. Delegate opportunities/Willingness to serve forms for Expo in Boston were available for interested members
- d. AORNLA will donate to the Foundation \$500 at Expo
- e. AORNLA will donate \$300 in gift cards for the Expo silent auction
- f. Chapter elections are open for VP/Secretary for May 2017 voting. Willingness to serve forms are available for interested members



BUSINESS MEETING (continued)

- g. Chapter rating report for 2015 was reviewed. The LA chapter received a 3 rating out of a potential 5 from AORN. We did not receive any points for sending delegates to Expo due to the high number of delegates assigned (9) to us based on our chapter membership. We were only able to send 3 official chapter delegates last year.
- h. The possibility of a chapter merge with the East San Gabriel Valley Chapter was discussed. The chapter has approached us to possibly join with us rather than closing their chapter. We will review the options and process with AORN Headquarters and follow their direction.
- i. The Chapter Bylaws, AORN bylaws, Code of Conduct and officer duties were available as a handout for any members to take. They are also available on the website AORNLA.org

4. OPEN DISCUSSION

Topics for future meetings were discussed.

- a. Team building
- b. Smoke Free Environment
- c. AORN standards
- d. Productivity/ Dept. management
- e. Dr. Dhanrhet Hepatobiliary surgeon
- f. Hemostatic agents
- g. Patent lawyer
- h. Legislative issues
- i. Ergonomics
- j. Burnout
- k. Ann Griffin poster from AORN
- l. Recap EXPO
- m. Social gathering -We will work on scheduling the events

5. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 19:40. Attendees were encouraged to become active, attend meetings and bring a friend, everyone is welcome.