



AORN-LA CHAPTER #0507 MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 21, 2018

1. WELCOME – INTRODUCTIONS

The LA Chapter met face to face at USC Keck Medical Center in Cardinal Room. Networking time was provided as the members gathered and enjoyed dinner. The meeting was opened at 17:20 by Chapter President Suzy Axt. Ms. Axt introduced the speaker for the evening, Mr. Rudy Jimenez.

2. PRESENTATION

About our speaker: Rudy Jimenez is a high caliber security professional who has been an active member and former chairman of the Hospital Association of Southern California's Security and Safety Committee for over a decade and is composed of leading hospital security directors and its purpose is to promote best practices of identifying security issues and sharing solutions. Over the last year he has worked on conducting large scale (200+ people) multi-institutional active shooter drills for the benefit of more than 70 hospitals and 30 law enforcement officers.

To summarize, Rudy emphasized the importance of educating staff to be alert and aware. Some important tips to follow in any public place and/or workplace is to pay attention to your surroundings, visually scanning your immediate area and knowing where your exits are will give you a plan to follow should you find yourself in an active shooter situation. It is important to recognize risk behaviors. An active shooter might be a disgruntled employee, a patient, or a family member. While at the workplace, the responsibility falls to you to direct visitors, patients and guests to safety when an active shooter situation presents itself – they will be confused, scared, panicked and not know where to go. To do this, you must have a retreat/evacuation plan in mind. You have to make split second decisions in the heat of the moment. Keeping calm in a chaotic situation, for yourself your colleagues and your patients are vital. Deciding whether you should run, hide or fight gives you the best odds of surviving.

(Rudy's presentation was broadcast live stream via Facebook. It is viewable on our website at AORNLA.org under Meetings and Meeting Minutes links.)



3. BUSINESS MEETING

- a. The minutes from November 8, 2017 were approved as read.
- b. Treasurers report shared by Pattie Benton – As of 2/21/2018 the LA Chapter has a total of \$42,000
- c. Delegate opportunities/Willingness to serve forms for Expo in New Orleans were available for interested members
- d. The revised Chapter Bylaws as well as the Code of Conduct and description of chapter officer duties in addition to AORN's bylaws were available as handouts for 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. AORN Standards
- c. Dr. Dhanrhetr, Hepatobiliary surgeon
- d. Hemostatic agents
- e. Ergonomics
- f. Burnout
- g. Recap EXPO
- h. Social gathering

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.

6. NEXT MEETING

Location: DuPar's Restaurant in Pasadena, CA
Saturday Morning Breakfast - May 19, 2018 @ 9am