



NSAMRT Town Hall Meeting November 5, 2016 Summary

36 members were in attendance

Megan Brydon, President NSAMRT

- Welcomed all to the town hall meeting
- The Spring AGM will be held in Yarmouth possibly Jun 2-4 so save the date and more details will follow soon!
- Meetings with the NS department of Health and Wellness have indicated that we are just behind a few other colleges making regulation headway.
- At the national network meeting there will talk amongst the Atlantic provincial Association Presidents in regards to planning for future conferences, in lieu of the CAMRT national conference transitioning its focus on regional education opportunities.

Julie Avery, Executive Director NSAMRT

- Spoke regarding **communication** to the members
 - Julie and other executive members have had multiple site visits across the province to answer specific member questions
 - There is a new website waiting for proclamation before it can be launched (as it is the amalgamation of the NSAMRT and NSSDMS as the new College)
 - There are site liaisons that will be provided information from the NSAMRT to distribute to staff.
 - For direct communication all calls will be directed to Julie.
 - A communication survey was completed
 - We will continue to use BLOGS, e-blasts
 - FAQ's and minutes will be posted
- Spoke about **Volunteers**
 - We have 15 new volunteers but we still need more
 - Manuals on expectations/roles are being built
- Importance of **External Relationships**
 - Having one person as a consistent representative of the NSAMRT attending meetings with NSSDMS, NS Regulatory Health Professions, and Management gives us a voice.
- Other occurrences
 - New by-laws have been sent to the lawyer for review
 - Working on credential requirements, professional conduct and a continuing professional development platform



Please contact NSAMRT with any questions.

Lisa Bonin, Chair, Credentials Committee

- Distributed FAQ sheet and opened the floor to questions
1. Monica Spence-Miller: Will these be opened to challenge when open to members?
LB: Yes, debate and input is expected. Credentials should be formed by spring for proclamation.
 2. Brian Martell: Is the template for credits available?
LB: No, we are currently looking at other models.
 3. Karen Fader: Really Great Work! What isn't getting done? Are we truly ready?
MB: We are very close; we need Standards of practice/complaints and code of conduct policies. Julie is trying to manage tasks as appropriate.
KF: We have 0.5 Staff but full increase in dues payment; I would like to see forward movement not staying as is.
MB: We have used Julie more than 0.5 FTE when required.
BM: We should consider moving from a 0.5 to a 1.0 for the ED.
MB: When proclaimed, Pathfinders will still be getting paid, looking at space. Continue to add to contingency fund. We have also worked on a policy regarding Julie's extra hours.
 4. Brian Martell: If there is a budget for a fulltime ED and that is the plan, why is Ultrasound not paying?
JA: U/S has a different registration process and is not regulated;
MB: They are contributing in other ways, splitting other costs 50/50
JA: Cost sharing is happening with the website, conferences
US will be paying when we are proclaimed.