



Agenda: Annual General Meeting

June 3, 2010 from 5:30-9:00 pm
Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario

5:30 - 6:00 pm	Registration
6:00 - 6:45 pm	Networking opportunity and tapas dinner
6:45 - 7:45 pm	Guest speaker presentation: Dr. Quinn Grundy Research integrity and early career nurse researchers: Navigating authorship, conflicts of interest and industry funding.
7:45 - 8:15 pm	Questions and answers
8:15 - 8:30 pm	Presentation of Scholarship and Research Grant Awards
8:30 - 8:45 pm	NRIG Annual General Meeting Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Report (including Membership, Website, Finance and Student Reports) • Thank you to outgoing executive members • Thank you to continuing executive members
8:45 - 9:00 pm	Closing and wrap-up

Thank you for joining us for the evening!

NRIG Executive 2018 – 2019

Chair:

Amy Wright

Past Chair and CANR Representative:

Barb Chyzzy

Finance Officer:

Winnie Sun

Secretary:

Oona St. Amant

Communications Officer: Newsletter

Demelza Domingo

Communications Officer: Website

Joyce Tsui

Membership Officer

Christina Moldovan

Policy & Political Action Officers

Sheila Boamah & Marzieh Moattari

NRIG Member-at-Large

Gillian Strudwick

Member-at-Large – Social Media

Melissa Northwood

Student Representative

Shivali Barot

Nursing Research Interest Group

Annual Report

Chair Report

I am pleased to provide you with this year's report at our annual general meeting. This year we have taken innovative approaches to awards, grants & scholarships, introducing a new conference award & a new member award, as well as introducing NRIG to the world of social media through our presence on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram platforms. We hosted a webinar with Dr. Melissa Kimber this past fall which was very well attended. This presentation is archived and can be viewed anytime—the link is available on our website. We hope these changes will encourage new members to join NRIG and take advantage of the great work we do along with the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) in promoting nursing research in Ontario through lobbying, funding, educating, collaborating and networking. See our website www.nrig.ca and visit our social media platforms regularly for updates on NRIG events and how you can get involved!

I have been honoured to be the Chair of the NRIG executive this year and will continue in this role until 2020 when I will move into the Past Chair position. I have also had the absolute pleasure of working alongside Barbara Chyzy, who has served NRIG as Chair and Past Chair for several years. We are saddened to see her leave the board this coming year and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

The NRIG executive continues to have strong representation and succession planning is a key strategy going forward for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Many of current executive members are continuing in their roles for 2019-2020: Christina Moldovan will continue as Membership Officer, Joyce Tsui will continue as Communications Officer (Website), Melissa Northwood will continue as Member at Large—Social Media, and Sheila Boamah and Marzieh Moattari will continue as co-Policy and Political Action Officers.

Winnie Sun, Demelza Domingo, Gillian Strudwick and Shivali Barot have all completed their terms, and we are extremely grateful to each one of them for their hard work and commitment to NRIG.

We have received numerous nominations for the upcoming board vacancies. Keep an eye out for an email from NRIG announcing the nominees and election process in June.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Wright, NRIG Chair

Finance Officer Report

REVENUE - as of May 31, 2019

RNAO membership 2018/19 11,160.00

Balance forward 2018 18,953.11

Total revenue (as of May 31, 2019): 30,113.11

EXPENSES (from Nov 2018 to May 31, 2019)

Budget 2019-2020

Bank service charges	133.00 (\$19/mth)	300.00
Executive expenses (<i>In-person meeting, travel</i>)	522.11	1000.00 *
AGM	1,730.00	2,000.00
Printing, Stationary, Mailings (<i>Promotional Material: Banner & Postcards</i>)	1,085.41	1,500.00
Conference grant (\$500 each x 1)	500.00 (to be paid)	500.00 *
NRIG New Member (\$500 each x 1)	500.00 (to be paid)	500.00 *
Scholarships (\$1,500 each x3)	4,500.00 (to be paid)	4,500.00 * (1,500 x3)
PhD grant (\$3000 each x1)	3,000.00 (to be paid)	3,000.00*(3,000x1)
Novice grant (\$3000 each x1)	3,000.00 (to be paid)	3,000.00 *(3,000x1)
RNFOO	1,100.00	1,100.00
Guest speaker	0.00	100.00
PGI Teleconferencing	295.21	500.00
Website maintenance fee	250.27	300.00
Total expenses	\$ 16,616	\$ 18,300

Balance forward (as of May 31, 2019) = \$ 13,497.11

(* To be determined)

Respectfully submitted,

Winnie Sun, Financial Officer

Scholarships & Awards Review Committee Report

We are very pleased to continue to be able to support the ongoing research and scholarship of NRIG members. This year we introduced 2 new award types: 1) conference grant; and 2) new member award. We received a number of applications for this award as listed below:

Grant Type	Number of Applicants
Conference Grant	4
New Member Award	9
Research Grant for PhD Students/Candidates	2
Graduate Scholarship	2
Research Grant for Novice Researchers	1

Reviewers met in late May to discuss the applications and rankings. To comply with our preference for applicants to receive only a single award, grant, or scholarship, the board has elected not to award the Graduate Scholarship this year. Both applicants to the Graduate Scholarship had also applied to and have been awarded the Research Grant for PhD students. In place of the Graduate Scholarship funding, it was decided by the board that the funds could support an additional Conference Grant and two New Member Awards. The award winners are as follows:

Research Grant for novice researchers:

Jacqueline Crandall

Research Grant for PhD students:

Elizabeth Orr & Jennifer Howard

New Member Award:

Charlene Chu, Franklin Gorospe, & Jessica Pimienta

Conference Grant:

Adam Morse, & Chi Wing (Lily) Yeung

Thank you to all who applied to the funding competition this year. All were excellent applications and they have inspired our confidence in the nursing researchers of today and of the future! Congratulations to the awardees!

*Respectfully submitted,
The NRIG Awards Committee*

Policy & Political Action Report

Queen's Park Event 2019

- On February 20-22th, we attended the RNAO's 19th Annual Queen's Park Day event
- During the event, we met with MPP Percy Hartfield (representing Windsor-Tecumseh region) and informed him of a wide range of nursing and health priorities including the need to strengthen primary care and transforming long-term care to keep residents healthy and safe.
- In the afternoon of Queen's Park Day, we hear directly from the Premier and Minister of Health and the Opposition Party Leaders and Opposition Health Critics regarding their views on nursing, health care, and the social and environmental determinants of health.

Voices from Our Members

- At the Queen's Park event, several undergraduate nursing students expressed their interest in engaging in research activities of RNAO, especially those in their last year of study. They were thankful for the free registration with different groups such as NRIG.
- Members suggested that we bring to the Executives/Board the need for more scholarship and grants that target undergraduate nursing student projects and/or co-researchers experience.
- Desire for a funded mentorship program or sorts for undergraduate and graduate students.
- Targeted funding opportunities for students in second entry program and Post-RN program for Internationally Educated Nurses either during their study or after graduation when they will engage in clinical practice and therefore are able to target practical issues.

Our Goals/ Moving forward (2019-2020)

- Our goal is to raise awareness of issues impacting nursing practice and need for funding for nursing research.
- We take the feedback from our members seriously and we will be working with the Executives on ways to meet the needs of all of our members by sharing their concerns and planning for ways to meet their needs through mentorship, scholarships and grants, and providing educational resources (webinars) for nurses and nursing students in all programs.
- In the upcoming year, our goal is to engage in more political action events, continue our dialogue with MPPs and find ways to allocate additional resources for nurse researchers across the province. In doing so, we will collaborate with stakeholders to identify, create, and disseminate policies relevant to the NRIG.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Sheila Boamah & Marzieh Moattari*

Membership Officer Report

The executive team was very busy this year with developing new membership materials. We now have a new postcard that provides interested members with information about NRIG, our scholarships and how to join as a member or as an executive. We also designed a new banner that you will see at any events we attend. Finally, we know how valuable a pen can be to nurses, so we have designed a new NRIG pen! We're happy if these pens go "walking" from owner to owner in your unit of office—spreading the news that NRIG supports nurse researchers!! We were privileged to work alongside a graphic designer with a special place in his heart for nurses as his son was a preterm infant in an NICU in the Hamilton area. We are so thrilled with how these materials have turned out and we're proud to start sharing them with nurses across Ontario. Our membership numbers are as follows:

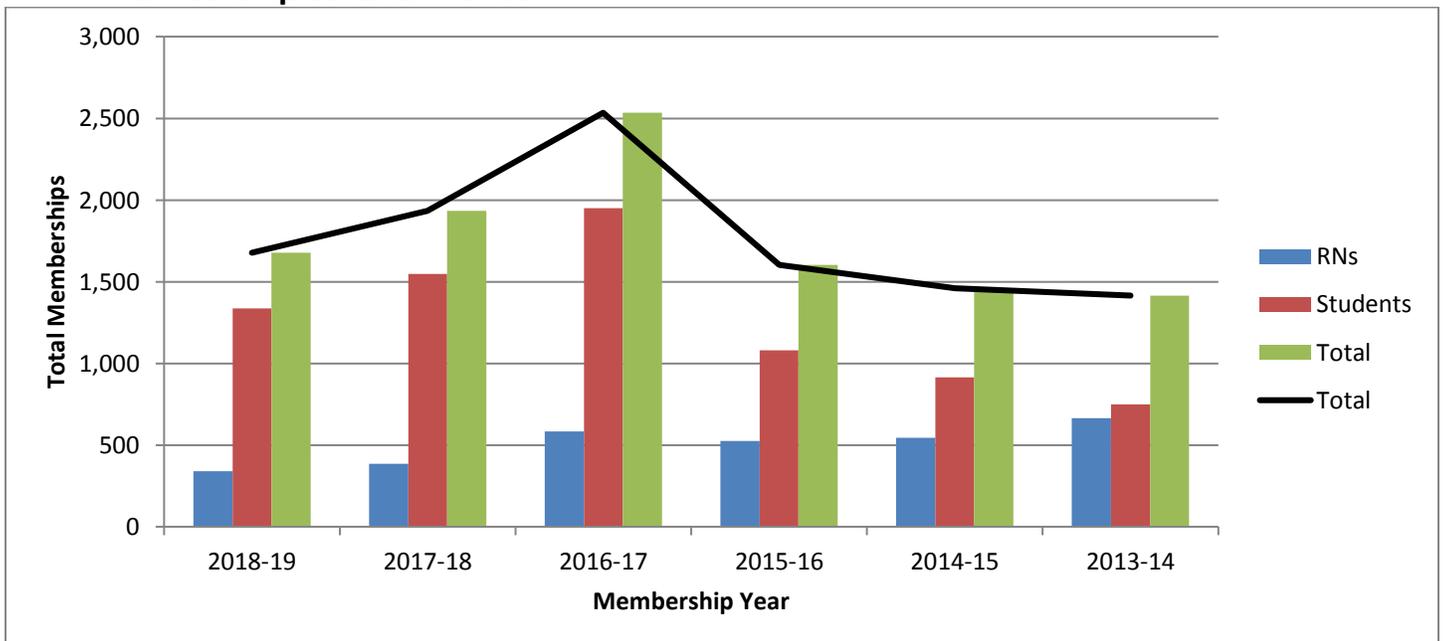
- **NRIG Membership 2018-2019 Fiscal Year:**

- ❖ Total: 1676 members

Member Breakdown:

- Registered Nurses (RNs): 341
- Nursing Students: 1,335

Membership Stats & Trends



Our goals this year are to engage and connect with our members in academia and beyond including frontline clinicians to promote nursing research and NRIG. We also plan to increase retention of our members by continuing to liaise and collaborate with nursing schools in promoting and encouraging NRIG engagement, including the promotion of our scholarships and grants, as well as Executive volunteering opportunities.

*Respectfully submitted,
Christina Moldovan*

Communication Officer– Newsletter Report

For the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the Nursing Research Interest Group distributed three newsletters to NRIG members in: fall 2018, winter 2019 and spring 2019. The newsletters highlighted NRIG updates, scholarship and grant opportunities, award recipients and important events. The newsletters have been archived and are available on the NRIG website for your reference. If you have any comments and suggestions for the NRIG newsletter, please feel free to contact me.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Demelza Domingo*

Communication Officer– Website Report

In 2018-2019, Nursing Research Interest Group (NRIG) host its own website at www.nrig.ca. The website provides up-to-date information to our members, which includes, but not limited to

- NRIG Scholarship and Grant Winners
- Nursing Research Interest Group Newsletters
- Upcoming Events and Past Events
- Education and Resources
 - NRIG 2019 Webinar – Preparing for a Career in Academic: What to Consider, When to Apply and What to Expect

The website has been updated to integrate access to social media platform listed below:

- Facebook – www.facebook.com/pages
- Twitter – www.twitter.com/RnaoNrig
- Instagram – www.instagram.com/rnao.nrig

In the upcoming year, will look forward to an opportunity to further develop and enhance the NRIG website to include pictures of various NRIG events in 2019-2020.

*Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Tsui*

Member at Large- Social Media Report

NRIG has expanded our on-line presence from a web page only to social networks including Twitter (@RnaoNrig), Instagram (rnao.nrig), and Facebook (RNAO Nursing Research Interest Group). We are gaining momentum with followers over the past 6 months and now have 35 followers on Facebook, 49 on Instagram, and 257 followers on Twitter. NRIG posting productivity has increased as well (356 Tweets cross-posted to Facebook, and 14 Instagram posts). NRIG social media platforms are a great resource for meeting researchers internationally, staying up to date on new publications, and participating in discourse related to the practicalities of conducting research. I encourage all NRIG members to add NRIG to your profiles, share and follow our posts, and tag us in to conversations of interest. My goal for the next year is

to reach 1,000 Twitter followers. As well, I would like to recruit interested members as social-media consultants to work together to develop topics for posts and host live tweeting events.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Northwood (@northwoodRN)

Student Representative Report

Student involvement with NRIG this year has been growing and expanding greatly! Our student membership has grown over the years, and we have goals to increase the number of incoming students in the future. This year, we had a successful student event at York University with NRIG representation. In March, NRIG was invited to attend York University's Nursing Career Fair where there was a great turnout with enthusiastic students. Students learned a lot about nursing research and how to get involved with NRIG, alongside funding opportunities and scholarships/grants. They were eager to learn about pursuing research in nursing, and networking at the AGM.

In the future, we would love to plan research events, competitions/ "Nursing Games" activities, conferences, and contests to expand the horizons for student involvement in nursing research. For students interested in joining, please follow NRIG on our social media platforms, subscribe to our newsletter and emails to stay up to date with future student events and opportunities.

Thank you to all members of the executive team and to last year's student representative, Amanveer Deol. Thank you to all the students involved in helping and who took part in NRIG events. Wishing everyone the best of luck!

Respectfully submitted,
Shivali Barot

Slate of Officers for NRIG Executive 2019– 2020

Chair

Amy Wright

Chair Elect

TBD by election process

Finance Officer:

TBD by election process

Secretary:

Oona St. Amant

Communications Officer: Newsletter

TBD by election process

Communications Officer: Website

Joyce Tsui

Membership and Services Officer

Christina Moldovan

Policy & Political Action Officer Co-Leads

Sheila Boamah & Marzieh Moattari

Member-at-Large- NRIG

TBD by election process

Member-at-Large- NRIG Social Media

Melissa Northwood

Student Representatives

TBD by election process