

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the  
Alumnae Association of the Hartford Hospital School of Nursing**

**October 16, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 2:15pm by Karen Mazzarella, President, in the dining room of Jefferson House.

Members present: See attached list

Our speaker for the afternoon was introduced. She was Mary-Ellyn Blake RN,MSN and the Veteran Liaison for Vistas Innovative Hospice Care. She is a Veteran of the 1<sup>st</sup> Gulf War, retiring from the CT National Guard after 22 years of service. She discussed Hospice and special care needs of Veterans at end of life.

The minutes of the Alumnae Banquet, June 5,2011 were accepted as read.

Secretary, Pat Ciarcia, read correspondence. She reported that the membership letters would be mailed soon. Updates would be: 50 year members would no longer have to pay dues, dues would decrease to \$10.00 per year and would include the bed fund for all alumnae members.

Vice President: no report

Treasurer, Jane Lasher, reported that we have 590 members including 3 new members. There were 12 memorial gifts given. Diane Antos asked about the deposit for next year's banquet of \$500 and Pat explained that it was necessary to hold the room. The books will be going for annual audit soon. A motion was made by Liz Knight and seconded by Betsy Gaudian to approve the treasurer's report.

Asst.Treasurer, Terry Gwozdz, reported there were 12 uses of the bed fund and there were 12 additional bed fund members. A motion was made by Betsy Guadian and seconded by Lesley McGrath to accept the treasure's report.

Nominating and Program had no reports.

Diane Antos asked for VNA Healthcare and HHSN Alumnae Assoc. to build a bridge with telemonitoring and specialty care services with retired nurses to do the intake. Betsy Guadian mentioned the efficiency of this type of monitoring.

Old Business-none

New Business: Karen mentioned the new lobby at HH and the statue. Pat said the Fall Nursing Magazine was not out yet due to the change in administration. We will hold off on our donation for the Spring issue at this time.

A motion was made by Diane Antos and seconded by Liz Knight to adjourn the meeting at 3:45pm.

Respectfully submitted

Betty Ann Fusco

Secretary, Pro Tem