

Nightingale 2020 Meeting Minutes (Jan 23, 2020)

Location: Lynn McDonald's home (419 Carlton St, Toronto ON)

In attendance: Joan Sinclair, Rose Dyson, Carolyn Edgar, Lynn McDonald, Bruce Weber

On conference call: Candice Campbell (California), Chris Buco (Toronto), Janet Michaelis (Ohio)

Absent: Donna Curry (Ohio), Eleanor Adarna (Toronto), Charlene Harrington (California)

Janet provided Zoom for conference call -very effective

Rose completed technical computer setup- also very effective

Minute taker and Chair: Carolyn

1. Introductions

-All members introduced themselves

-Bruce Weber (new member)

- Identified he was a grad from Quo Vadis, a nursing program for mature students, which is now defunct but he maintains the alumni newsletter
- Lives on Wards Island and very active in assisting seniors on Island

2. Report from Lynn and Nightingale Society

-Lynn will be in London, UK from Feb 11-May 7 with various lectures and speaking engagements as follows;

Itinerary for UK:

I will be in the UK for nearly 3 months this spring, after giving a paper in Florence, Italy, at the conference of the European Association for the History of Nursing, 14-15 February. UK events I will be speaking at (confirmed) are:

- 28-29 February 2020, RadStats conference, St Luke's Community Centre, Central Street (near Old St.). This is a day and a half conference, with a walk on the Saturday afternoon and social events in the evening. My keynote address is "Florence Nightingale and Statistics: What She Did and What She Did Not." Dr Eileen Magnello speaks on "Florence Nightingale: The Radical and Passionate Statistician." Other contemporary papers look very interesting.
- 6 March 2020, Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives conference, Royal College of Physicians of London; my paper is "Florence Nightingale, Universal health coverage and the Sustainable Development Goals--from then to now"
- 18 March 2020 Florence Nightingale Lecture in Statistics, at the Mathematical Institute, Oxford, 2:30 p.m. (attending)
- 23 March 2020 Conference of the Royal Statistical Society, Errol St. (near Old St.); my paper is on Nightingale and her work in statistics
- 21 April 2020 Event and exhibition at Leeds Lotherton; my talk is at 2 p.m., "Florence Nightingale: The Legacy"
- 22 April 2020, Leeds General Infirmary (Nightingale both assisted on the design and sent the first trained nurses there)
- 7 May 2020 University of Nottingham; my lecture is The Legacy of Florence Nightingale: The Work You Never Hear About, 1-2 p.m. (the University of Nottingham hosts Paul Crawford's project on the Nightingale Family and Derbyshire).

-She refers to a letter that was initially accepted by the British Journal of Nursing but then rejected (political)-letter to be sent to all

- In it, Price-Dowds (British) ranked nursing leaders (please refer to Lynn's letter and response): Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale, Edith Cavell, Kofoworola Pratt. Nursing leaders ranked by Lynn: Florence Nightingale (first), Kofoworola Pratt

-Lynn is giving a sermon on Nightingale on Sun Jan 26, 2020 at First Evangelical Lutheran Church

- Carolyn and Bruce attending (attached program)

-A discussion occurred regarding Seacole/Nightingale

- Anne commented that there is room for both in history
 - This was met with a no from Lynn as Seacole is a business woman and Nightingale is a nurse and leader and they shouldn't be referenced together.

3. Discussions

-Candy

- Discussed her guided tour of Nightingale sites special to her (May 7-18 in Paris and London)
- Has 7 confirmed to attend but needs 10 to be viable
- Outstanding trip- will be hopeful it is a go

-Janet

- Mentioned working with her 2 groups in Ohio (Flo's Whistle and Show Me Your Stethoscope)
 - More info will be provided upon request regarding the groups
- Continues to work in Emerg as a front-line nurse
- Emphasized the need for exposure on social media platforms
- Website links being set up

-Carolyn

- Referred to summary sent a week ago by Anne, Cris, Eleanor and Carolyn
- However, Anne and Carolyn are attending a Nightingale Gala dinner organized by the Canadian Nurses Foundation in Ottawa on May 14, 2020
 - Request for Anne to speak about Nightingale at the dinner but to date, hesitantly refused
 - Working on being more successful

-Cris

- Mentioned a fundraiser
 - a bus to the casino may work for nurses to attend and also raise funds
 - Was criticism expressed about the suggestion but will leave for Cris though to organize

-Rose

- Carolyn is going to New York during Easter for a concert and Rose mentioned a contact, Janice (Mississauga), who is attending the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (March 9-20, 2020)
 - *Every year, members of member states gather at United Nations to evaluate progress on gender equality, identify challenges, set global standards and formulate concrete*
 - May be good- will deal with this off line with Rose

-Other

- 2020 is the year of the nurse and midwife defined by the WHO (World Health Organization)

- Also discussed was the definition of health by WHO which Lynn also commented is close to Nightingale's definition
- I will forward the definitions on nurse/nursing and health by WHO and the ICN (International Council of Nurses)
- Also, look for Nightingale's definition of nurse and health

4. Sustainability

-Will Nightingale be sustained past 2020?

- Candy agreed it would be and is getting requests to do her Nightingale stand-in costume for shows
 - Requests from Veteran's Associations and other fundraisers well into 2021
- More work needs to be done to continue momentum
- Feedback thoughts in May meeting
- Short video is available on Candy and her endeavours
- Need for annual Nightingale lectures and celebrations

5. Hub

-Partners 2020 Nightingale associated with the Nightingale Museum in London, England have developed a Hub for all to view on Nightingale events

-Partners 2020 Nightingale is coordinated by Catherine Starling at the museum

-They are looking for defined dates and events but have many especially information coming from associations throughout the UK

-However, the Nightingale Garden is being presented at the Chelsea Garden show in London, England from May 19-23, 2020 and is quite elaborate

- Carolyn hopeful to attend

Next Meeting

-It was discussed that the next meeting will be during Nursing week May 11-15 . Dates to follow.