



CARIBBEAN NURSES ORGANIZATION (CNO)

RESOLUTIONS OF THE 32nd BIENNIAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

OCHO RIOS, JAMAICA - October 2022

Resolution #1

Members of Nominating Committee not eligible to be election candidate

Whereas Article VII section 1(7.1.2) states that the Nominating Committee implements the policies and procedures for nomination and elections as established or provided for in the CNO constitution and bylaws and

Whereas the constitution is silent on the eligibility of the members of the Nominating Committee to vie for an elected office and

Whereas the CNO is committed to fair and impartial electoral processes

Be it resolved that the Caribbean Nurses Organization held in Jamaica October 8 15, 2022, amends the constitution to reflect that the members of the Nominating Committee are ineligible to be on the slate of candidates

Be it further resolved that if members of the Nominating Committee seeks to run for office, he/she should resign from the Nominating Committee no less than one year prior to the next biennium conference meeting

Proposed By: Trinidad and Tobago

Seconded by: Antigua and Barbuda

Voting for: 15; against: 0; abstain (1 member absent from the room)

RESOLUTION 2

Electronic Voting

Whereas Article 7 section 4 (7.4.9) in the current Constitution speaks to an electronic voting system and

Whereas there is absence of procedure governing the electronic process

Be it resolved that the CNO looks into the prospect of having an electronic procedure for in-person and online voting

Be it further resolved that this done within the next biennium.

Proposed By: Trinidad and Tobago

Seconded by: Jamaica

Voting for: 15; against: 0; abstention: (1 member absent from the room)

RESOLUTION 3

CNO Representation at RNB

Whereas the CNO is represented at RNB meetings and key issues affecting individual NNAs are taken at those meetings,

Be it resolved that position papers be developed at each CNO conference to be tabled at the RNB meetings by the President, and

Be it further resolved that post the RNB meetings a report be forwarded to the individual NNAs via their respective Presidents.

Proposed By: Trinidad and Tobago

Seconded by: Montserrat

Voting For: 4 against: 8; abstentions: 3

RESOLUTION 4

CNO Secretariat

Whereas the President expressed challenges experienced by not having a geographically situated Secretariat to conduct the business of CNO, and

Whereas a cost factor inhibits the employment of a CNO General Secretary, and

Whereas Antigua and Barbuda has expressed difficulty in funding additional human resources for this purpose, and

Whereas financial statements and audited reports were not generated or presented to the 32nd CNO Conference for this reason,

Be it resolved that a fixed Secretariat and banking arrangements be established within one of the NNAs, and

Be it further resolved that that NNA be responsible for ensuring the accounts, financial and other records of the CNO be properly maintained, and

Be it further resolved that this be included in the normal operations of a NNA with a full-time operation and a willingness to contain this business as part of their daily activities for a nominal fee to CNO to be determined by the house.

Proposed By: Trinidad and Tobago

Seconded by: CANA

Voting for: 2 against: 7 abstention: 6

Resolution 5

Anthem of the Caribbean Nurses

Whereas The Caribbean Nursing Organization (CNO) is a well-established organization for 65 years, and

Whereas this organization is recognized at the National, Regional and International levels making an invaluable contribution to health care delivery systems and advancements of nursing as a profession, and

Whereas an anthem was develop to further distinguish and recognized this august body,

Be it resolved the CNO Anthem be sung at official functions of CNO to include the opening and closing ceremony of the CNO Biennial Conference.

Proposed by: Antigua and Barbuda

Seconded by: Bahamas

Voting for: 15; against: 0; abstention: 0.

RESOLUTION 6

Courtesy

Whereas the 32nd Biennial Conference of the CNO was hosted by the Nurses' Association of Jamaica (NAJ) at the Moon Palace Resort Ocho Rios, Jamaica between October 8 to 15, 2022, and

Whereas, this Conference was well planned, well executed and without significant incident,

Be it resolved, that the CNO expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the NAJ, Sponsors, the Government and people of Jamaica and Palace Resorts, for the hospitalities and courtesies extended.

Proposed By: CNO Board Members

Seconded by: Bahamas

Voting for: 15; against: 0; abstention: 0