



OR Unit Practice Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Time: 0600-0700

Location: CafeteriaConference Room

Chair: Doris Dubail, RN

Chair Elect: Jacki Blaber, RN

P=Present, A=Absent, E=Excused

ATTENDANCE					
P	Madelaine Abille, BSN, CNOR	A	Tanya McCullough, RN	P	Elizabeth Vitale, BSN, RN
P	Jacki Blaber, BSN	P	Paul Jablonski, RN, CNOR	P	Traci Valencia, RN, RNFA, CNOR
		P	Jayne Nakashian, BSN, RN, CNOR	A	Margaret Lazlo, RN
P	Martha Cooper, BSN,RN,CNOR	P	Larry Rebich, RN	A	Sophie Aleyamma John, RN, CNOR
P	Avis Diorio, BSN,RN-BC, CNOR	E	Christal Rodenhiser,RN, CNOR	P	Caroline Saunders, RN
P	Doris Dubail, RN, RNFA, CNOR	A	Leigh Shainwald, RN		
P	Cora Gamboa, RN,CNOR	P	Lee Toterhi, RN	P	Bobbi Irving, BSN
P	Anna Giandana,BSN, RNFA, CNOR	A	Florentino Valerio, RN, CNOR	P	Maria LoDebole, RN
A	Christine Humphries, BSN, RN	A	Rhona Virtudes, BSN, RN		

Agenda Item	Presenter	Discussion	Outcome/Follow-Up	Responsible Person
0600-0605 Welcome & Approval of Minutes	Doris Dubail, RN	Minutes approved by L. Toterhi, seconded by M Cooper		

<p>0605-0645 Old Business</p>	<p>Doris Dubail, RN/ Jacki Blaber, RN</p>	<p>OLD BUSINESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoke evacuator updates: Increased use and approval by surgeons. Reminder it is a state law. Continued search for perfect cautery manufacture pencil, as there is some push back from surgeon., top heavy, bulky. Stryker product introduction. Go Clear by 2020. Our goal is 20 19. • Sleep Room update: a binder will be kept with information of who used room and when. • Quality and Safety meeting today. Continued discussion anticipated for OR check list (L. Toterhi) • Vacation Policy Review and discussion; possibility of over hire of RN staff, increased per diem and part time staff, and market adjustment salary to increase RN staff coverage for vacation time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The OR On-Call Room was discussed. Severyn Gummenyyi, RN was the first to use the room under the new procedure and reported having a good experience. Regarding the revised procedure that allocated the space for this use, Larry Rebich proposed a council resolution that acknowledged and expressed gratitude for the advocacy of Nurse Manager Marie Pham and Perioperative Services Director, Peggy Lennon, as an exemplary demonstration of transformational leadership at Greenwich Hospital. The resolution was adopted unanimously by vote of the council. 	
<p>0645-0655 New Business</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nurses week discussion to move forward and celebrate as a unit 		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Picnic celebration to be Friday, June 14th • Operating Room Nurse Residency program will be open to new graduates • Operating Room Projects in process: Vacation Policy Hysteroscopy fluid management Smoke evacuation Recycle Program 		
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Next meeting will be held: Date: Wednesday, 2019 Time:
 0600 Location: Cafeteria conference room

Respectfully submitted, Martha Cooper, RN,BSN,CNOR