



***Newfoundland and Labrador
Association of
Occupational Therapists***

***General Meeting
November 29/2022***

PRESIDENTS REPORT

First Light Training:

23 NLAOT members attended the Indigenous Cultural Diversity Training offered June 6-7, 2022

OT Month 2022:

Book draw: There were 232 entries from NLAOT's facebook posts (likes, comments, & shares) during OT month. The winners as listed on facebook were sent via email by the NLAOT Secretary. Thanks to everyone who participated in the draw!

OT month celebrations: 12 groups participated in OT celebrations at their sites (ie. pizza, cake, etc.)

Donations: NLAOT donated \$100 to the Red Cross

Public Awareness: OzFm played ads to promote occupational therapy during the month of October

eLearning module: Complete the National eLearning module on the new "Competencies for Occupational Therapists in Canada" to enter a draw for a \$50 gift card by November 30, 2022.

Citation Award:

The purpose of the citation award is to acknowledge the contribution/accomplishment to the health and well-being of Canadians of an agency, program and/or individual within each province/territory, who is not an occupational therapist. One of last year's recipients of the citation award was the Alzheimer Society of NL. Deadline for 2022 submissions is November 25, 2022.

OT Atlantic Conference:

The Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists is hosting the OT Atlantic Conference in Halifax, NS October 13-15, 2023. They are looking for OT's input on what will be showcased at the conference and interest in supporting the conference. Please complete the OT Atlantic



Conference survey emailed by NLAOT Secretary by November 30, 2022.

NLAOT is seeking volunteers for the following vacant executive positions:

- President Elect
- Public Relations
- Digital Media

* Treasurer & Education Chair also looking for volunteers.

Next NLAOT General Meeting on
February 14, 2023 at 12:00-1:30pm
(Newfoundland time)
11:30am-1:00pm (Labrador time)

Respectfully Submitted,
Meghan Mahoney

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Our fall grant draw was completed in October for \$500 and the Winner was Danielle Hogan. The winter grant for \$500 will be due at the end of January 2023 and drawn the first week in February 2023.

We have started planning for an in-person workshop for 2023. We are still looking at the possibility of having Heidi Cramm come for the 2-day Trauma workshop. This has been postponed several times due

to the pandemic. We are also looking at other possibilities as well. We are also working on sending out a short survey to get ideas from the membership to see what topics would be of interest.

If anyone has any ideas for the education committee or would like to join our committee and help with planning, please reach out to me at education@nlaot.ca.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Cooper

TREASURER REPORT

Current account balance (November 21, 2022): \$74,682.32
GIC total: \$52,072.73

All 2021-22 financial statements have been received from Noseworthy Chapman Chartered Professional Accountants. This information is available for the membership to review.

Expenses (from March 1, 2022):

Bank charges \$104.90



Donations \$100
Education \$4399.65
Fees and dues \$281.75
Gifts \$690
Insurance \$1422.55
Office/Admin \$277.15
PR \$44.98
OT Month \$3293.65
Accounting \$1322.50
Google Suite Services \$807.29
Website Development/maintenance \$1091.35
Zoom account \$230.00

Total: \$ 14,065.77

Income:

NLOTB registration \$ 27,205.00
(deposited Sept 1, 2022)

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Fahey

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Position vacant.

DIGITAL MEDIA REPORT

Position vacant.

CAOT BOARD DIRECTOR (NL) REPORT

The most recent CAOT Board Meetings were held on November 18th & 19th, 2022 – meetings were offered hybrid with members attending both virtually and in-person (Ottawa, ON). Highlighted agenda items:

CAOT has been working on a new strategic plan that aims to create the priorities and plans for the next five years. Recently, CAOT with its strategic planning partner, The Potential Group offered three design brainstorming sessions focusing on:

- Design Intensive #1: How could we foster a healthier, more inclusive world?
- Design Intensive #2: How can occupational therapy help shape the health system of the future?
- Design Intensive #3: How do we continue to create a thriving, innovative community and practice for occupational therapy?

At the board meetings, members spent a morning session working with the Potential Group facilitators to review the themes and direction that came



from the three design intensive sessions - focus now on development of a new strategic framework.

The Occupational Therapy Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Task Force presented their work plan progress and identified next steps to continue this most important work. An overview of the Task Force work plan and additional resources including TRC and Indigenous Health Clinical Resources & Readings can be found on the CAOT website, Practice Resources page.

I would also like to highlight that throughout the board meetings the new competency document (Competencies for Occupational Therapists in Canada) was embedded into many conversations – specifically around next steps for implementation with regulators, exam, accreditation, university educators and professional associations. Of importance to note, with the implementation of the Competencies for Occupational Therapists in Canada, CAOT is now in the planning phase for development of a competency document for Occupational Therapy Assistants in Canada – to replace the current

Practice Profile for Occupational Therapy Assistants.

The overall feedback from the board meetings is that members were appreciative that there was an opportunity to meet in-person. These meetings were my first introduction to the CAOT Board as the NL Board Director – please feel free to connect with me directly if you have any questions or concerns related to CAOT and/or if there is any feedback you have for our national association.

NLAOT members are encouraged to visit www.caot.ca or to join CAOT on Facebook or Twitter for news, volunteer opportunities, training and professional practice resources, and additional information about the work of our national association.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Hogan