



**CRPNS Annual Meeting**  
**May 7, 2025, 1300 - 1400**  
**Council Members in person**  
**Hampton Inn, Regina**  
**Membership joined via MS Teams**

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**Present:**

Yvonne Sawatzky, Chair  
Michelle Cleland, Vice Chair  
Leanne Anderson, Member-at-Large  
Jennifer Berjian, Member-at-Large  
Penni Caron, Member-at-Large  
Kelsey Knipple, Member-at-Large  
Ashley Lemus, Member-at-Large  
Terri Blackmore, Government Appointed  
Public Representative  
Curtis Talbot, Government Appointed  
Public Representative  
Rory Griffith, Government Appointed Public  
Representative  
Russ Marchuk, Council Appointed Member  
of the Public

**Staff:**

Beverly Balaski, CEO/Registrar  
Lacey Bennett, Deputy Registrar  
Beckie Olney, Nursing Practice Advisor  
Amanda Brewer, Registration Coordinator  
Garrett Lillie, Temporary Policy Analyst

**Consultant:**

Robert Kenny, CRPNS Accountant

**Membership Attendees:**

Attended via MS Teams – Attendance not recorded for minutes

1. Welcome, Territorial Acknowledgement

Meeting called to order by CRPNS Chair Yvonne Sawatzky at 1302 hrs.

- No quorum required
- Commentary about Organizational Naming During the meeting provided
- Territorial Acknowledgement presented by Yvonne

2. Approval of the Agenda

**Motion:** To approve the agenda as presented

Moved: Penni Carron, RPN, Blaine Lake Second: Rory Griffith, Public Representative  
Carried

3. Message from the Chair – Yvonne Sawatzky

- Introductions provided, highlighted the following:

- Significant changes to RPN legislation 2 years ago no longer require CRPNS registrants to approve the Bylaws or business of the Association
  - Council appointments process
  - Work with Government to address RPN education seats
  - Journey to Truth and Reconciliation
  - An opportunity for questions was provided, no questions were asked
4. Overview of Annual Report
- Yvonne provided overview of the year as presented in the 2024 RPNAS Annual Report
  - An opportunity for questions was provided, no questions were asked
5. Presentation of 2024 Finances
- Robert Kenny, CRPNS Accountant provided overview of the 2024 Financial Audit as conducted by MWC CPA
  - MWC declared it a clean audit with no deficiencies, no concerns noted
  - CRPNS currently in strong financial position
  - An opportunity for questions was provided, no questions were asked
6. Announcement of New Council members
- Yvonne announced the reappointment of Ashley Lemus, Member-at-Large and appointment of Kelsey Knipple, Member-at-Large for the 2025-2027 term
7. Adjournment

**Motion** to Adjourn the 2025 RPNAS Annual Meeting.  
Moved: Leanne Anderson, RPN, La Ronge SK  
Meeting adjourned at 1324 hrs.



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Michelle Cleland, Chair



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Beverly Balaski, CEO/Registrar