EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Dear Members

On the 13th to 15th March the CENA Board met in Sydney for the first of two face to face meetings scheduled for 2015.

CENA Board Directors and members continue to volunteer their time and effort to contribute to CENA’s work program. In order to recognise the contribution this makes to CENA as an organisation I thought that it is worth sharing what occurred at this meeting with you, our membership. Three (3) new members have joined the Board and attended this meeting. They provide representation from 3 different states within Australia and I welcome them onto the Board. They are:

John Thompson – Victoria
Lorelle Malyon – Queensland
Sarah-Louise Moyes – Western Australia

I would also like to thank Shane Lenson (ACT Branch President), who stepped down from the Administrative Director role, for the time and effort he has given in this role over the last 3 years. Shane will continue as a board member. Julia Morphet (Vic Branch President) has stepped into the Administrative Director role temporarily until it is permanently filled at the next Board face to face meeting in October 2015.

Our regular meetings provide governance of all CENA processes, everything from strategic direction of the organisation, current financial position, proposed income streams, to activities such as the organising of our annual conference and the ongoing management of our journal, the Australian Emergency Nursing Journal (AENJ).

Outcomes from the meeting of 13-15th March included:

- Ongoing development of the CENA Strategic Plan for the financial years 2015 – 2017
- Approval of the 2015-2016 Budget
- In principle approval to continue to participate in an Emergency Nurse Credentialing pilot as part of the QLD Health Specialist Nurse Credentialing Project.
- Discussion re future Board Governance structures to align with best practice
- Discussion of the progress of ICEN 2015 (Brisbane) and planning for ICEN 2016
- Decision to continue the monthly educational webinars for members, and
- In principal support to help establish the first Emergency Nursing Student Society.

As a Board we have robust discussions to ensure that all those involved in the planning and delivery of events related to CENA meet the needs of our membership. The Board works cohesively and this ensures that we have healthy debate on many issues to achieve this aim.

Please visit our website www.cena.org.au to see what is happening in your state and how to become more involved in your College. Encourage your colleagues and friends to do the same. We look forward to hearing from you soon

Regards

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National Executive Director