

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN. GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Nurses was held in the Board Room of the Registered Nurses' Association, 39, Portland Place, London, W., on Friday, October 25th, at 4 p.m.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick (President) was in the chair, and there were present Miss A. Lloyd Still, Miss Villiers, and Miss Musson (Vice-Presidents), Miss Brownsdon, Miss Cochrane, Miss Helen Dey, and Miss H. Lamb (Directors), and Miss Cox-Davies, Miss A. S. Marshall, Miss B. Kent, Miss G. M. Simms, and Miss A. Cattell, Miss H. L. Pearse (Hon. Secretary), and Miss M. Breay (Hon. Treasurer).

After the correspondence had been read, Miss Breay presented a report of the business transacted by the Board of Directors and by the Grand Council of the International Council at Montreal in July last, and it was agreed that it should be submitted to the Annual Meeting of the Grand Council of the National Council of Nurses in November.

Applications for Affiliation.

Applications for affiliation were received from (1) The Nightingale Fellowship, St. Thomas's Hospital, London, S.E.1, of which Miss A. Lloyd Still is the President, and the number of members 705.

The four delegates nominated were: Miss D. S. Coode, S.R.N.; the Hon. Gertrude Best, A.R.R.C., S.R.N.; Mrs. Seymer, S.R.N., M.A. (Oxon.); and Miss G. M. Bowes, S.R.N., D.N. (Lond.).

The application of the Nightingale Fellowship was unanimously approved, and it was affiliated with great pleasure.

(2) Application for affiliation from the Scottish Nurses' Association, Glasgow; number of members, 400; President, Mrs. Strong.

The two delegates nominated were: Miss C. H. McCara, R.G.N.; and Miss Kate Carruthers, R.G.N.

It was reported that the Scottish Nurses' Association was holding its annual meeting next day (on October 26th), when the Constitution would be brought into line (as an Association composed entirely of and governed by trained nurses), and it was agreed to admit the Association when official information had been submitted that this had been done.

(3) The League of Private Nurses, 194, Queen's Gate, London; President, Miss I. Macdonald; number of members, 100.

The two delegates nominated were: Miss Elsie Armstrong, S.R.N.; and Mrs. Hamilton Gibson, S.R.N.

The names of delegates will be submitted to the Annual Meeting of the Grand Council for approval and election.

The names of new delegates nominated by various Associations were received, and will also be submitted to the Annual Meeting for approval and election.

Amendments to the Constitution.

The Executive Committee considered Draft Amendments to the Constitution for recommendation to the Grand Council, as directed at the last annual meeting.

The meeting, which lasted from 4.15 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. then terminated.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GRAND COUNCIL.

Since the meeting the Medical Societies' Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W., have been secured for the Annual Meeting of the Grand Council, on Thursday, November 28th. Tea, 4.30 p.m. Meeting, 5 p.m.

It is hoped Delegates of Affiliated Societies already elected will make a note of this date. The Agenda Paper and Amendments to the Constitution will be forwarded ten days prior to the meeting.

The One-hundred-and-sixth Meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held on Friday, October 25th, at 2.30 p.m., at 20, Portland Place, London W., the Chairman, Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., presiding.

Before commencing the meeting a rising vote of sympathy was recorded with Lady Verrall on the death of Sir Jenner Verrall, a former Member of the Council and Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Correspondence.

The correspondence included a letter from the Registrar of the General Nursing Council for Scotland, enclosing a copy of resolutions passed by that Council in regard to reciprocal registration with the South African Medical Council, and the Nurses' Registration Board of Tasmania; also a letter from the Registrar of the Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council of Northern Ireland, enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by that Council in regard to reciprocal registration with the South African Medical Council.

The Council received a request from the Joint Committee formed by the Incorporated Midwives Institute, to represent Bodies interested in the work of Midwives, to nominate a representative to a seat on this Committee. The Council, as a statutory body, adhered to its settled policy not to appoint delegates on Committees of this nature.

Finance.

The Bills and Claims submitted for payment by the Finance Committee were approved, and the sums of £100 for Stamps, £20 for Insurance Stamps, and £15 for Petty Cash were allowed.

The Committee raised no objection to Recommendations 11 and 12 of the General Purposes Committee that a mahogany and glass cabinet to contain exhibits be purchased at a cost of £10 15s., and that two new Underwood typewriters be purchased at a cost of £17 16s. and £17 respectively, to replace two machines now worn out.

Registration.

On the recommendation of the Registration Committee, twenty applications from Registered Nurses for duplicate Silver Badges, lost more than a year ago, were granted, and three applications for duplicate Certificates of Registration which had been lost were also granted.

Applications for approval for Registration from 18 Nurses were granted. General Part of the Register, 10 by Reciprocity, and to the Supplementary Parts by Reciprocity, Mental Nurses 1, Sick Children's Nurses 1, Fever Nurses 1, and Fever Nurses by Examination 5.

The applications of 48 Nurses who had failed to pay their Retention Fee and now wished their names re-included in the Register were granted.

Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee it was agreed that the Nuneaton General Hospital be approved as a Complete Training School for Nurses, and the provisional approval granted to the Scarborough Hospital and Dispensary as a Complete Training School, which expired on June 17th, 1929, be extended for a further year from that date. It was also recommended that the names of Examiners whose applications for Examinerships had been considered should be added to the Panel of Examiners.

Mental Nursing.

On the recommendation of the Mental Nursing Committee it was agreed that the Leavesden Mental Hospital, King's Langley, should be transferred from the list of Training Schools for Mental Nurses to the list of Training Schools for Nurses for Mental Defectives.

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