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MESSAGE FROM CHAIR:

DECEMBER 2015

Dear Members,

AN IMPORTANT UPDATE.

On Friday 20th November 2015 the Nursing Research Section (NRS) Committee had planned to convene the Wellington research forum 'Thinking Ahead'. This forum was designed to provide a platform to bring together 'future focused' health professionals interested in sharing knowledge and ideas, the outcome of which would enhance evidence based nursing practice. The committee had hoped to attract both presenters and participants. Unfortunately, submissions of abstracts and registrations for the event fell short of predictions which warranted cancelling the Forum.

The outcome of this cancellation prevented the Biannual General Meeting and the associated tasks of: electing officers, passing remits, and fulfilling required business of an NZNO section taking place. Three core committee members also came to the end of their terms after many years of service. The NRS committee met in Wellington at the NZNO offices to determine the future of the Section and, with the support of NZNO staff, a plan has been put into place.

An interim acting committee has marshalled together to develop a way forward for the Section and, in collaboration with the staff of NZNO, are in agreement of working creatively together to strengthen the Section and see it thrive. We will be meeting early in the New Year to discuss this.

In the meantime it would be useful for our 344 very quiet Section members to consider what membership of NRS means for them. We would like NRS members to play a more active role in shaping the Section's direction. The committee would like to have the opportunity to explore your views and will work to survey your opinion in due course. Responses will inform our future.

Kind regards,

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