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**GENERAL MEETING:**

MONDAY November 15, 2010

**Greenwood Inn**

3515 - 26th Street NE  
Calgary, Alberta  
6:30pm - 9:00pm

**Main Speaker 7:00 pm**

Infection Control with Dr. Swanlund and Dr. Huff  
7-8pm Presentation – 8-9pm Open Discussion  
*Competencies - B-2-1, C-1-1*

## President's Message

Hello to All

Well since we had no summer to speak of, it is so nice to see the sun and have some warm weather for fall!!

CDAA held our AGM, Awards, and Elections September 20. I am pleased to have some new volunteers take on some positions that needed to be filled. Thank you to those who stepped up to take on these roles. We now have a new president elect, secretary, two hospitality chairs and another school advisory rep. For the awards, we presented Perfect Attendance to 11 members who attended all the General Meetings last year. We awarded a very worthy Executive member, our Treasurer, with Dental Assistant of the Year. Our Past President was also awarded the Honorary Member Award! Congratulations to all the recipients of these well deserved Awards!

Upcoming, we will hold our next General Meeting, November 15, 6:30 pm at Greenwood Inn. The evening speakers are Dr Swanlund and Dr Huff presenting Infection Prevention and Control. After they speak we will share Best Practices in your office and have a question and answer session.

We are looking to form an Awards Committee for this year. The committee needs to consist of at least 3 members: a past recipient of the Honorary Member Award and 2 other active members. This position would involve a minimal time commitment and would be sometime in May or June. If you are interested please let me or any board member know.

A reminder that we will continue to meet the 3rd Mondays in Sept, Nov, Jan and March 6:30pm at the Greenwood Inn for the upcoming 2010/2011 term (with food, refreshments and many door prizes!). As we did last year we will also be holding a Spring Seminar sometime in April. Date and speakers will be announced soon. Keep up to date with events and speaker topics at our website [www.calgaryrda.ca](http://www.calgaryrda.ca).

In closing I just want to thank all the volunteers on the CDAA Board who are staying on another year in their positions. As well, much appreciation and thanks to those who have been on the CDAA this past year(s) and have completed their terms and will not be coming back. Without all these volunteers on the Executive Board and Committees, this association would not be able to run as efficiently and competently as it does

Karen Allan RDA  
President CDAA

## Notice of Proposed Changes to CDAA Bylaws

The clause to be changed is in red, the proposed change follows along with rationale for the change.

Current Bylaw #3 Article 2 The officers shall be duly elected and shall serve for a one year term or until their successors are accordingly install. No Member shall hold the same office **for more than two consecutive terms**.

Proposed change “for more than three consecutive terms”.

Rationale: We sometimes have no one that will take on the role such as treasurer and the consistency of keeping that person can be important to the sustainability of the association.

Current Bylaw #8 – Quorum

Article 1 – **Twenty-five Active Members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.**

Proposed Change - “Quorum at any meeting shall consist of 51% of the active members in attendance”.

Rationale: At several meetings we have barely scraped by at 25 members. This way we will not be held back from making decisions due to low turn out.

Current Bylaw # 9 – Article 2 Local, Provincial and National Dues **shall be payable on or before November thirtieth of each year**, directly to the CADA, who shall reimburse the CDAA for the appropriate amount. Membership dues for the CDAA will be as recommended at the AGM for all categories of members and can only be changed at the AGM or a special meeting called for that purpose.

Proposed Change “shall be payable on or before October thirty-first of each year”

Rationale: The CADA has changed the date for collecting fees to October 31 each year.