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### **Sky Lakes New Executive Committee**

Dear ONA members at Sky Lakes Medical Center,

Thank you for being a part of ONA! Your dues and participation in bargaining and our shared governance efforts have already improved patient care and working conditions at Sky Lakes.

We are proud to announce the formation of our new executive committee. Please thank these nurses who have agreed to lead ONA at Sky Lakes for the next two years.

- **President: Brent Powers** (Post-Surgical)
- **Vice President: Sabrina DeVall** (PCU)
- **Secretary: Rose Keppinger** (Medical)
- **Treasurer: Maria Pappas** (Flex)

We are most grateful for the many years of service by retiring president Juliann Underwood (OR). She has dedicated countless hours to helping other nurses in disciplines, grievances, bargaining, and general mentoring. She is an amazing resource for nurses at Sky Lakes, and she deserves to rest on her many accomplishments! However, Juliann has agreed to step into another role for the near future by serving as our chief grievance officer. She will continue to be the initial point of contact for nurses called into investigatory meetings. As we train and develop new stewards, Juliann will coach and develop others to take on these tasks.

If you would like to help in our efforts, we will continue to offer nurses the popular workshop “UNIONISM 101” on our rights as union members under our contract. This four-hour training covers topics such as worker’s rights, member benefits, what should happen in an investigatory meeting with your supervisor, the proper use of discipline, and an overview of ONA structure and activities.

We encourage all nurses to attend! This curriculum includes our exciting new steward training material, but you can attend with no obligation to sign up as a steward. We want as many nurses as possible to understand our rights and how our union functions. You’re welcome to decide later whether you want to serve as a steward.

We will be scheduling more training sessions for the last week in February. For more information, contact ONA labor relations representative Gary Aguiar at 503-444-0690 (text/call) or [Aguiar@OregonRN.org](mailto:Aguiar@OregonRN.org).

Be sure to visit the [Sky Lakes Medical Center bargaining unit page](#) for more updates and information.