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In 2015, the operating budget supported several initiatives including strategic planning, board mentorship around governance and government relations, the distance education course, other education opportunities for members, and other projects.

The Board continued to exercise fiscal restraint while at the same time endeavouring to increase the profile of the association and benefits to members. As a not-for-profit organization, our goal is to balance our budget. Any excess revenue is immediately put into additional projects that will ultimately benefit both the association and our members.

Our industry partners and Corporate Members are integral to the ongoing success of educational events and development of practice tools for our members. The Ecolab Poster Contest, the 3M Awards, the Virox Scholarship, the Diversey Education Bursary, the conference and other initiatives have been able to sustain because of the financial support of industry. Education contributions in 2015 include GOJO Industries (Routine Practices E-Learning Tool), Hygie Canada (Routine Practices E-Learning Tool), and Vernacare (Conference Hot Topics Session). The Clorox Company of Canada came in as a new sponsor of our webinars. We are also grateful for the support of our many conference sponsors.

The continued support of membership and industry partners will ensure the success of IPAC Canada as the recognized resource in Canada for promotion of best practice in infection prevention and control.

In June 2015, the new treasurer, Michael Rotstein, was elected and immediately took over the responsibilities of the position. Previous treasurer Judi Linden is commended for her dedication to smart and efficient fiscal responsibility. Her mentoring of the new treasurer is also greatly appreciated.

My personal thanks to Phil Romaniuk, our auditor, who continues to provide the organization with advice and expertise. I would also like to thank the Board of Directors, chapter treasurers, Gerry Hansen, Executive Director, and Kelli Wagner, Administrative Assistant for patience, understanding and support.

Michael Rotstein RN MHSc CIC CHE Treasurer