

Minutes: Education Committee of IFNA

June 17, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. EST

Present: C. Steinwedel, J. Karpa, D. Zaparoni

Topics of Discussion:

1. Announcements: C. Steinwedel thanked everyone for the ideas and input at last meeting. C. Steinwedel will be stepping down as chairperson of the committee, effective July 1, so we are in need of another person to chair the committee.
In the past year our committee has continued the work begun in the prior years. We have finalized the Position Statement, updated the bibliography for the website, developed the new subcommittee structure, continued the webinar programming, developed the Distribution Agreement for toolkit contributions, set up structure for the teaching toolkit, established a forum topic for educator exchanges, and initiated the idea of a monthly IFNA newsletter. It's been a very productive year!
2. Minutes from March were sent to Debbie Zaparoni for posting. Minutes for May were approved as submitted and will be sent to Debbie for posting on the website.
3. Agenda Item 1: Webinars and Online Offerings Subcommittee Report: D. Huddleston (not present)
 - a. D. Zaparoni reported on the webinar procedure for those who present our webinars. Basically, she does the work, while the presenters can talk into their own computers or microphones. Powerpoint slides are projected with the audio, much as a narrated powerpoint would be done. Presenters can decide whether to show their faces, and Debbie will do the settings for that. Debbie has offered to do a run through with potential presenters if they would like that. The committee decided not to ask for a tutorial on the webinar process.
 - b. D. Zaparoni reported from the board meeting that since we are unable to police the use of archived webinars we will just leave things as they stand right now, with a payment for each viewing for classrooms as well as individuals.
4. Agenda Item 2: Communications and Organization Subcommittee: N. Krumwiede and S. Denham (not present)
 - a. Newsletter Update: Newsletter updates were discussed. C. Steinwedel will pass this information along to Janice Bell for inclusion in the next Global Connections. The committee members discussed the need to assist members in participating in webinars, presentations, and teaching toolkit contributions. We will try to be more concrete in our requests for toolkit items and other communications.
 - b. C. Steinwedel will post specific, concrete forum threads for education topics each month. Examples would be teaching family assessment, fostering critical thinking in students working with families, texts and other resources that are recommended by members, and other topics for family nursing education.
5. Agenda Item 3: Teaching Resources Subcommittee: Jane Karpa (present) and Francine Demontigny (not present)

- a. The infrastructure for teaching toolkit items is established, but no contributions have been offered. Discussion ensued about perhaps being more specific about what types of things would be useful for teaching toolkit items, such as syllabi, readings, class and practicum activities, and projects that members have found effective. Jane will contact Wilma Schroeder for other ideas.
6. The meeting adjourned after 40 minutes.

Respectfully Submitted, Cynthia Steinwedel