Minutes: Education Committee of IFNA, November 18, 2014

Present: L. Holtslander, K. Lutz, J. Karpa, L. Schwartz, and D. Curry

Absent: C. Steinwedel, B. Mandleco, D. Freeborn, D. Huddleston, F. Demontigny, K. Anderson, L. Young, L. Kuechle, M. VanRiper, M. Matteis, M. Cunha, N. Leibold, P. Braun, R. Mahrer-Imhof, S. Banta Wright, S. Eggenberger, S. Denham, S. Vozila, W. Schroeder, P. Young, D. Zaparoni (IFNA)

Topics of Discussion

1. Announcements

- a. 12th International Family Nursing Conference, August 18-21, 2015 will be held in Odense, Denmark. Call for Abstracts: October 1, 2014 to November 24, 2014: http://internationalfamilynursing.org/2012/09/27/call-for-abstracts/ There is also a call for abstract reviewers.
- b. Update from Donna Miles Curry, IFNA Board Liaison: Nothing to report.
- c. Thank you Education Committee members for the great new content that is now available on the IFNA Education Resources page: the Mankato Toolkit Simulation Videos and Family Nursing Lab Manual, Red River College. The URL for this excellent resource is: http://internationalfamilynursing.org/resources-for-family-nursing/education/education-resources/
- d. Janice Bell has been working hard on communicating the activities of the education committee through the IFNA Website. She discovered that there may be some of our education committee members who are not current IFNA members. Please update your membership if it is not current. All committee members must be current IFNA members.
- e. Donna Huddleston has resigned from the Education Committee. She has made important contributions and will be greatly missed. Thank you, Donna, for your hard work and enthusiasm!
- f. Cynthia Steinwedel has agreed to take over the leadership of the Webinars and Online Offerings Subcommittee. If anyone is interested in helping Cynthia to lead this committee, please let Lorraine and Kristin know.
- 2. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the October 21, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted. They will be sent to Debbie to be posted to the IFNA website.
- 3. Agenda Item 1: Webinars and Online Offerings Subcommittee Report: C. Steinwedel (not present)
 - a. Webinar status: On behalf of the Communications Committee, Wilma Schroeder has offered to conduct a "how-to" webinar to educate and assist members to use the social media tools in order to get the most out of the IFNA conference. The webinar will likely be offered in January.
 - b. Abstracts or ideas for webinar speakers: If folks hear a good presenter at the conference or elsewhere they might be willing to be a webinar speaker. Please let Cynthia know if you have any recommendations for webinar speakers and/or topics.

- 4. Agenda Item 2: Communications and Organization Subcommittee: N. Krumwiede (not present) and S. Denham (not present)
 - a. Building engagement through member profiles and communication via IFNA website: No updates.
 - b. Forum and Listserv update: It would be good to set up a forum on how family nurses will use the new IFNA Position Statement on "Generalist Competencies for Family Nursing Practice". Donna Curry is willing to start this forum discussion. She will also consider doing this as a webinar. Thanks Donna!
 - c. Global Connections Newsletter update: No updates
- 5. Agenda Item 3: Teaching Resources Subcommittee: J. Karpa (present) and F. Demontigny (not present)
 - a. Tool Kit items: The Mankato Tool Kit is up on our website. Janice Bell has done a great job getting it up on the site. There are some key additions that have been added, including Wilma Schroeder's syllabus. If others are interested in sharing any resources and teaching ideas, please let Jane Karpa know. Thanks Jane for your work on this valuable resource!
- 6. Agenda item 4: New Business
 - a. Thanks to Janice Bell, the new IFNA Position Statement on "Generalist Competencies for Family Nursing Practice" is now on the IFNA website. It can be found at: http://internationalfamilynursing.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/IFNA-Position-Statement-on-Generalist-Competencies-for-Family-Nursing-Practice.pdf
 - b. We will be sending a survey to our committee members to find out if members are interested in continuing on this committee, what the optimal scheduling would be for meetings, and other concerns. Kristin Lutz and Lorraine will work on this.
 - c. The December meeting is cancelled.
- 7. Next meeting and Adjournment: January 20, 2015 at 1:00 PM EST. November meeting adjourned at 1:37 PM EST.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristin Lutz