IOMSN Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, August 3rd, 2018 5PM EST

Roll call:
Aliza Ben-Zacharia
Megan Weigel
Patricia Pagnotta
Jong-Mi Lee
Marie Moore
Denise Bruen
(Excused: Maureen Mealy)
(Excused: Stephanie Agrella)
(Excused: Cheryl Blaschuk)

Topic
1) President’s Report & comments from others

Discussion
Aliza clarified her purpose: promote education, create research, start a wellness task force, starting with her mission and her goals. She wished to increase communication, support committee chairs, increase international involvement. She plans to meet with all committees chairs and then involve the administrative office. She plans to distribute wellness cards developed with other colleagues distributed at the CMSC nursing roundtable. She stated four principles in her presidency:
• Important to support IOMSN mission
• Incorporate past activities
• Enhance for the future
• Collaborate and communicate
She emphasized her availability. Jong-Mi stated that she requires accurate budget information to present monthly. She stated that her meeting with the CFO was canceled due his last minute vacation. There was discussion regarding financial procedures, roles and responsibilities of the Executive Director. There were some questions about roles of the current board members. Aliza plans to meet with all committees to clarify their roles/activities.

Action Taken
Aliza acknowledged these concerns and will involve the board moving forward.
Questions were raised regarding the Executive Director’s lack of involvement in the activities of the President. Aliza assured that she will build communication with her and with everyone. She wants to build a relationship alone and then move forward building a relationship with the administrative office.

2) Educational Materials
Regional conferences
Title Evidence Based Nursing Practice

Aliza emphasized that slides are not evidence-based. There is a difference between best practices and evidence-based practice.

No resolution of this discussion

3) Interaction with Board and Administration

There was discussion about dismissive behaviors by Aliza and lack of accurate reporting of conversations with board members and the Executive Director. There were no records of conversations and confrontations. While bylaws were cited as the basis of IOMSN’s operations, there were numerous citations of improper behavior and disrespect. Jong-Mi requested adjournment based on the nature of the conversation.

There were no actions planned to correct these problems at this time. Jong-Mi’s request was noted.

Meeting adjourned without a vote by Aliza Ben-Zacharia at 5:15PM EST recorded by Jong-Mi at 1:15 PST