

International Organization of MS Nurses

Date: February 17, 2020

6pm Conference Call

Minutes of the Executive Committee

Item	Discussion	Outcome
Call to order	Present on Call: June Halper Patricia Pagnotta Marie Moore Bonnie Blain Denise Bruen Marguerite Herman Regrets: Megan Weigel	Called at 6:02 pm EST Patricia
Approval of Minutes - Bonnie	Executive Board Meeting Dec 16, 2019 amended Jan 20, 2020	Patricia – Motion to approve June – 2nd
Grants update - June	Currently have enough grants given to facilitate 2.5 to 3 regional meetings in the spring. More grant requests are out for further regional meetings as well as fellowships.	
Education	New slides sets are being developed for regional meetings. The morning programs will be a debate between Starting DMT early and managing complex symptoms. The afternoon slides are being updated.	
Nightingale Awards	We are receiving approximately 2 submission per week. June is meeting with Serono soon. They indicate there is a good chance that there will be additional awards for Canada and English speaking countries. Serono is also interested in having the winning applicants talk about their projects at the Serono booth. As well may be interested in Regionals Liaisons hosting meeting for GPs in their area.	Applications close March 1 st . Winning applications to be decided by the Committee by March 15 th .
Annual Awards	Discussion was had by the Board around the previous decision to cancel the Annual Awards this year and donate the money to MSNA in Australia. There was a general feeling of loss for the Annual Awards particularly in this year of the Nurse and Midwife.	Patricia – Motion to go back and give \$1000 to MSNA but not give up the Annual Awards to do so. Denise – 2 nd All in favor.

		The additional personal donation option will not be placed on the website Connie Easterling to form Committee
Annual Meeting	Annual Awards Committee to be formed Marguerite has found magnetic buddy buttons for the Buddy program. Registration numbers are still low. There may be a possibility that IOMSRT might be interested in joining the buddy system	Marguerite to follow up with the IOMSRT.
General discussion	President Elect is open for Nomination this year. Candidate must have Board or Committee experience. IOMSN membership is shrinking and there is less demand for nurses. The organization has a stellar reputation.	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:36 EST	Patricia – motion to adjourn Bonnie – 2nd

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Bonnie Blain