International Organization of MS Nurses

Date: 9/15/25

Minutes: IOMSN EC Meeting

Item	Discussion	Outcome
Call to order and Introductions	**Present:** Bonnie Blain Sara Schaefer Marguerite Herman Leny Almeda Marijean Buhse Kathy Costello Wallette Widener	Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM EST
Approval of Minutes	Sara	Marijean - Motion to approve Bonnie- seconds approval
CEO Report	Kathy -deferred	
Industry Council Update	Wallette -31 attendees - membership discussed adding more regional liaisons - Looking into regional mentorship programs -industry interested in funding needs proposals -upcoming meeting with Cathy Cordova to discuss grants -consider building guidelines and plan like AHA did for stroke program	
Board Transitions	Bonnie -evaluating structure of IOMSN board -currently large number of committees -looking to consolidate and streamline -President Elect to assume MS coalition role Bonnie made the following recommendations: -Academic Outreach – dismiss - External Relations – delete by amending bylaws -Establish scholarship and awards committees as sub-committees under Education	-Sara made a motion to amend the Bylaws to delete the External Relations Committee and assign the responsibilities to the Communication Committee -Marijean seconds motion -All were in favor The Board of Directors were in agreement with the recommendations to dismiss the Academic

	-Establish the Reception committee as a sub committee of Membership Committee -Upcoming virtual all board meeting Nov 3 7-9pm EST -all committees will need to produce reports prior to meeting -plan to update committee charters/SOP to include goals and term lengths -discussed having in person/virtual board meeting prior to CMSC – Tuesday 3-5pm -likely no Tampa in person meeting this year due to cost	Outreach committee and to establish the Award, Scholarship and Reception as sub-committees
Discussion	All -Need to update LinkedIn profiles – currently 2 IOMSN accounts -Building an IOMSN emeritus group of MS nurses no longer practicing. Consider writing a paper or poster -Looking long term with IOMSN global presence has been limited by breakoff groups in UK, Australasia, and other parts – has affected membership and certifications -International liaisons looking to continue contact with groups and international members not with other associations -discussed Wallette starting long term (1-2 year) goals for fundraising to be able to present to industry for grants and funding	
Meeting Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM EST.	Motion to adjourn: Bonnie
	Next EC meeting: 10/20/25 7PM EST	

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Sara Schaefer