



Western PA Affiliate of the NER WOCN Society Meeting
Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2019

President: Kelly McCurdy
President-Elect: Jaylynn Fisher
Secretary: Tammy Steighner-Ondik
Treasurer: Linda Rahuba

Lunch will be served at 12 pm.

Meeting commenced at 12:15-12:50 pm with Smith & Nephew providing educational program/professional development about pressure injury and skin issues with Sarah Norten presenting and Joe Mertz attending.

Meeting commenced by President, Kelly McCurdy at 12:55 pm at Forbes Regional Hospital after educational program from Smith & Nephew finished.

I. Introduction of Members

II. Committee Reports:

1. Approval of Minutes from the September 19, 2019 meeting. Approved by Sue Wood and Marilyn Germansky. Motion carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Linda Rahuba. Separate sheet.
3. **Treasurer audit done today by Sue Wood**
4. **Education:** Mary Stirland: All meetings in 2020 have scheduled education/professional development. 2020 and 2021 meetings are full.
5. **Legislation:** Kate Novak: Not present. Nothing to report.
6. **Nominations Committee for National:** Pam Wilson. Nothing to report.
7. **National Scholarship Committee:** Sandy Hartman. Reviewed the applications and will go to national for review by the lead and the candidates will be notified at the beginning of the year.
8. **Nominations Committee for Affiliate:** Jeannette Kratovil nominated. Motion carried.
9. **Regional Scholarship Committee member:** Cheryl Hutton: Six, \$1,000 scholarships give to two WOCNs and four Advanced Practice Nurses.
10. **Regional Nominations Committee:** Kathy McGrady: Not as much dialogue on the forums as usual.

11. National WOCN Website Forum Reports/Updates: Mary Ellen Labik

- a. Use of nail nippers. Use a red bio-hazard bag.
- b. Oil Emulsion on skin tears.
- c. New guidelines for venous ulcers
- d. Keloid treatment: Mepiform
- e. International Guidelines for pressure ulcers were released. Free e-copy or fee for printed copy.
- f. Crusting technique and now use Marathon.
- g. Water wipes for Peds.
- h. Go to forum and go to Eric Goodman under Wounds.

12. Competencies: Merry Previte

1. Do we want to download from NER-WOCN Regional Website or printed handouts?
2. Want to have printed information at meeting and not on Website for competencies in September 2020.

Competencies for September 2020

Sandy Hartman: Continence

Jaylynn Fisher: Professional Practice

Shoufen Hu: Ostomies

Pam Henderman: Wound

3. Do not want CEU for competencies. Motion approved by Linda Rahuba and Jaylynn Fischer. Motion carried.

III. Regional Reports

1. Bill Falone is now President-Elect for regional for 2020-2021.
2. Tammy Steighner-Ondik is Secretary for regional for 2020-2021.
3. Posters at Regional
 - a. Marilyn Germansky: Fan Favorite
 - b. Shoufen Hu: Practice Innovation
 - c. Mary Shannon; Recognized for Preceptor of the Year. Received \$200.

Regional Meeting:

4. WOCN Website:

Part 3: January 29, 2020

Joyce Black for \$45 Limits of Staging is coming soon.

Obtain free CEUs on www.healingsolutions.com

Free reviews for recertification on the Website.

Several people from our region won gifts from the scavenger hunt from regional.

IV. National Reports

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

1. Two new positions in West Virginia University: Ruby Hospital
2. Nine lay people (as a visitor and will offer it annually) attended Ostomy education for UOAA presented by Madeline Zumbo
3. Jan Colwell: Donation to send pallet that costs \$1,000, Marilyn Germansky and Jeannette Kratovil made motion to send \$1,000 to Friends of Ostomates. Motion carried.
4. Brothers Brothers and Global Links receives wound and ostomy supplies.
5. SPAM e-mail from Kelly McCurdy (not Kelly McCurdy).
6. Julia Warner
 - a. Discussion on Ostomy Clinics.
Two lists: One with names of professionals and another without the professional names of WOCNs sent to vendors.
 - b. Do not include WOCN names on list. Share with NERWOCN Website and Ostomy Society.
 - c. No WPA NERWOCN logo on ostomy sheet.
 - d. Ostomy sheet is a community resource.
 - e. Put a disclaimer at the bottom.
7. New 2019 Treatment and Prevention International Guidelines
 - a. <http://guidelinesale.com/page/npiap>

VII. Affiliate Announcements and News

Linda Rahuba's brother, Thomas passed away in October. Affiliate sent sympathy card.

VIII. Open Discussion

IX. Affiliate Meetings for 2019

1. March 19, 2020: 3M
2. May 21, 2020: Vendor Fair
3. July 16, 2020: Mölnlycke
4. September 17, 2020: Competencies and Election of Officers: President-Elect
5. November 19, 2020: McKesson

X. Conferences

1. June 6-10, 2020: National WOCN Conference in Cleveland, OH.
2. 2019 and 2020 Regional WOCN Society Conference in Hershey, PA. The Capital
3. November 6-8, 2020: Hershey
4. 2021-2023: Near the Poconos
5. District Affiliate will host the 2019 conference. There is an option for 2021 in Hershey.
6. Fall 2023: Western PA Affiliate hosting.

Motion to adjourn by: Sue Wood and Marilyn Germansky
Meeting adjourned at: 3 PM

Attendance: 22

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