

## **ASPMN Northern Virginia Local Chapter Minutes**

**August 24, 2011**

Location: Tele-conference

Time: 1900 Meeting called to order by Michelle Jacques

Attendance: Gerry Higgins, Florence Mooney-Cotter, Michelle Jacques, Mary Beth Smith, Regina Stiles

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss whether or not to continue the local ASPMN chapter.

Membership is 12 active and 4 honorary members: Sixteen total.

Regina stated that ASPMN at the national level is focusing on how to lead. The question came up, how can we get the word out through ASPMN that we need chapter involvement at the local level. Gerry verbalized that we need bodies. It's about getting people involved. Regina suggested that we may need to change our traditional approach to having meetings. It was also suggested that we may need to collaborate with INOVA to co-sponsor an event or education. Michelle stated that she's had no feedback from trying to recruit through the newsletter. Agreement was unanimous in the end to continue the ASPMN Northern Virginia Chapter.

Florence Mooney- Cotter agrees to continue as Treasurer. Mary Beth Smith agrees to continue as Secretary, Gerry Higgins will consider President.

Everyone brought up individual names on people we will attempt to recruit. We discussed whether we should write a letter to encourage ASPMN National members to consider joining the local chapter. We discussed what we want to say in the letter. Gerry will continue the newsletter. It is TBD how frequently it will be put out. We may have new things to say after the national conference.

Michelle asked everyone to look at the bylaws and the letter Regina sent to see what we need to change.

The meeting adjourned at 2040.