

ASPMN Northern Virginia Local Chapter Minutes
November 16, 2011

Location: Tele-conference

Time: 18:30 Meeting called to order by Florence Mooney-Cotter

Attendance: Gerry Higgins, Florence Mooney-Cotter, Mary Beth Smith, and Regina Stiles.

The Bylaws were reviewed and approved unanimously.

Gerry suggested sending a welcome letter encouraging members and nonmembers to join or rejoin along with the membership form and request it be mailed back.

It was suggested to send two different emails. One to existing members and one to all national ASPMN members in Virginia. We also want to capture membership at the educational offering in January.

Regina will send a survey monkey.

The question arose can we go forward without a President elect? It could be posted as vacant.

Regina offered to fill the position.

Regina confirmed she does have the membership form.

Gerry stated Virginia Hospital Center is willing to offer a room if space is available for a date in January for the educational offering. Possibly a Thursday night. Virginia Hospital Center has food vendors to choose from that vary from boxed lunch to buffet. George Mason University in Fairfax has space available on Saturdays. Flo suggested having someone from the group speak, Gerry or possibly Gerry and Flo splitting the presentation. Both agree the topic simple should be simple.

The April 2012 Pain Symposium was discussed. Sickle cell was mentioned as a topic of importance that would be great to address. Dr. Ogilvie from Integrative Health Center of VA needs to be researched more. It was also suggested to have a panel again that could speak about acupuncture and other alternative therapies. Regina said Cadence is interested in paying for lunch and providing a speaker about IV Tylenol.

The sections of the newsletter were then discussed. Flo agreed to send Gerry a synopsis of the community presentation she recently made for the newsletter. Regina will send a picture of the group receiving the chapter award at the ASPMN National Conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 1930.