

ELPNA Region 3 Board Meeting
Date: December 10, 202
Special e-mail meeting due to snow storm

Attendees: Mary Jo, Hallberg, Chair, Phyllis Bruce, Rose Umland, Jeanne Mugge, Jean Bokinski, Deb Bowman, Carol Deschepper, Mary Nordtvedt
Excused/absent: Marilyn Puccossi, June Sand, Judy Thompson

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion	Action	Responsible Person/ Timeline
Call to Order	Mary Jo initiated the e-mail at 1:30 pm		
Opening Devotions:	Deferred due to e-mail format	None	
Review and Accept Agenda	Agreed to justcover 3 items of business that we need to make decisions about.	MSC to accept revision	
Approval of Minutes	Deferred u ntil January meeting		Mary Jo to add to Jan. agenda
Business	There was consensus that the grant application was well done. We need to get this out quickly so the plan is as follows:	Write the script	Jean B.
ELPNA Startup Grant-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⤴ Jean will write a "script" for us and a "press release" in the next day or two. ⤴ Mary Jo will put that information with the application on the website and will send out an e-newsletter with the info. ⤴ Each of us will contact the synod assigned (see previous email) by phone and by email with the news release and application attached. We will ask that they put the information on their website and in their weekly eNewsletter (if they have one). When we contact the synods and in all print material we should encourage current PNs to suggest the grant to those she/he feels might be interested! ⤴ The Selection Committee will consist of 2 board members and one member at large: Mary Nordtvedt, Phyllis Bruce, and Judy Thompson ⤴ Applications will be sent to elpna.region3@gmail.com. I just opened that acct. I will give the password to the selection committee. 	Put information on web site and send e-blast	Mary Jo
SPACC/Wilder request:	<p>Saint Paul Area Council of Churches (SPACC) and Wilder Center Communities will host a conversation with others, who care about the well being and vitality of all who offer care to their aging relatives and friends, on Friday, February 15th from 10-2 at the Saint Paul Area Council of Churches (1671 Summit Avenue). They hope to bring together 30-45 persons from faith-based agencies, parish nurse associations, clergy groups, and caregivers to explore roles that faith communities do play and could play in this important work.</p> <p>They have asked us, the ELPNA, to co-sponsor this one-time event. Mary Jo offered to get the word out via the e-newsletter inviting parish nurses to participate. Agreed that we would participate.</p>	Make synod contacts	Board members as assigned.
		Selection committee to meet and have the password for the account.	Mary Jo to give password to committee
		Board Members to volunteer or recommend others to participate. Phyllis offered to attend.	All Board Membership
		Send e-newsletter	Mary Jo

Synod Request:	<p>The St. Paul Area Synod has requested our help in identifying congregations of various sizes that have an active visitation program. They are preparing to have a workshop on Feb. 23, 2013 using a panel format of lay leaders in the visitation programs. They would like the panel members to tell about how their program works (cultivating volunteers, who is served, training, challenges and successes, etc.)and then be open to answering questions from the workshop participants.</p> <p>Most think it is a good idea even if it is limited to the St Paul Area Parish Nurses. We could make it really simple by suggesting two small to medium sized congregations with interesting visitation/caring outreach. Then Cyndi at the Synod office could contact them.</p>	Give recommendations to Mary Jo	All Board members
Executive Committee Reports	<p>Chairman: Mary Jo Hallberg -</p> <p>Vice-Chairman:</p> <p>Treasurer:</p> <p>Secretary: Phyllis Bruce</p>	Reports deferred	
Standing Committee Reports Membership	<p>We now have 38 paid members in region 3 for 2013 and 7 from all other regions. Memberships will be entered and updated in the spread sheet and thank you letters with the membership card will be sent out in January.</p>	Data entry and sending letters via e-mail	Phyllis Bruce
Ad Hoc Committee Reports Program/ Education Membership Task Force Outreach/Mission Task Force:	<p>Reports deferred until January meeting.</p>		
National ELPNA News:	<p>Updated at the January meeting</p>		
Future Agenda Items	<p>Next meeting: January 14, 2013 at LSS Headquarters, Conf. Room 1A (note room change), 2485 Como Avenue, St Paul, MN 55108 at 12:30 PM</p>		
Prayer Concerns	<p>Continue to prayer for healing and recovery for Phyllis and June.</p>		
Closing Prayer	<p>Advent blessings to all.</p>		
Adjournment	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm and Mary Jo sent out an e-mail summary of our discussion.</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,
Phyllis Bruce, Secretary