

***ELPNA Meeting Tuesday, May 19, 2015***

***2:30 PM CST via Conference Call***

- Attendees:***    ***\*Carol DeSchepper, President***  
                       ***\*Andy West, Secretary***  
                       ***\*Nancy Deetz, Treasurer***  
                       ***\*Andy West, Region 2***  
                       ***\*Carolyn Crowe, \*Norma Anderson, Region 4***  
                       ***\*Michelle Knapp, Region 5***  
                       ***\*Marilee Tollefson, Region 8***

<b><i>Topic/Agenda Item</i></b>	<b><i>Discussion</i></b>	<b><i>Action</i></b>	<b><i>Responsible Person/Timeline</i></b>
1)Welcome and Introductions	The group was welcomed and introductions made as individuals joined the call	None	
2) Opening Prayer	Carolyn Crowe offered opening devotions.		
3)Approval/Addition to Agenda	Carol DeSchepper asked for additions to the Agenda.	Added item under Treasurer’s Report on fund raising.	
4)Approval of Minutes	Approval of the April, 2015 Minutes was tabled.	None	
5)Treasurer’s Report	A. Nancy Deetz presented the Treasurer’s Report. National Funds amount is \$2,937.63; Regional Funds amount is \$5,540.00. B. A West presented a fund raising idea of tee shirts from Teespring focusing on faith community nursing. The board members decided to gather more information before making a decision. PR Committee will be given this as their first project. It was suggested that this project may qualify for a seed grant from Thrivent .		
6)Membership Report	Carol reported for Phyllis: Region 3 has 66 members, other regions have 29 for a total of 95 members. Letters were sent to contacts from Westberg with one positive response.		
7) Communication	Carol reported that we are now able to tract hits to the web site. Since April 28, after		

Committee Report	an email was sent out on the updates, there were 103 hits and there has been an increase in hits to the site since then. Region 3 has a Marketing and Promotion Committee. Adopting this name was discussed by the group. General comments were in favor of the change in the name.		
8) Goals for 2015	Carol outlined the progress on specific goals: Goals 1, 2, and 4 are in progress. Goal 7: There are 2 new Board members, Deloris Bills, a faculty at Mount Carmel, Columbus OH, from Region 7 and Sandy Madsen from Region 1. Board position from Region 7 is still vacant. Goal 8 is being done. Already discussed Goal 1, 2, 4. Goal 8 being done.		
9) Display Materials	Tabled.		
10) Credentialing	Carol led the discussion on how we can help our members move through the process. Two or three suggestions came out of last month's meeting. Phyllis sent out the question to members to determine who is credentialed. It will be important to know who from our organization has succeeded in the process. These members might be willing to help others go through the process. The cost of the process seems to be too much for FCNs who are working in unpaid positions. We need to continue to publicize the information. Last month discussion included asking Nancy Durbin to do a webinar on the process. We could use Survey monkey to determine member interest. Webinar could be open to other FCNs.	Additional information will be gathered on this item.	Michelle K. will talk with Nancy Durbin about this idea. Carol will check with Phyllis to see if she had any responses to the question Phyllis sent out previously.
11) Regional Reports	Region 2 – AW had display at the RMS, Nancy will mail Michelle the “I have a Parish Nurse” buttons. Ruth/Marilee have been working with a nurse who is establishing a ministry in her area. They have made contacts at local meeting. Region 3 – present at 4 of the synod meetings.		
12) Prayer and other concerns	Health of June Sand and David, Michelle's brother; those affected by weather; prayer of thanks for David, a Mt. Everest climber who returned safely;		
13) Volunteer for devotion/prayer for June Meeting	A. West volunteered. Item for the June Agenda: Discuss Increase of dues.		
14) July Meeting	General consensus was to cancel July meeting. Urgent matters will be managed by the Executive Committee.		
15) Closing prayer	Carolyn Crowe offered the closing prayer.	None.	

Respectfully,  
Andrea West, Secretary