

ELPNA Meeting
April 18, 2012
3 PM via Conference Call

Attendees: *Lori Tormey, President*
Carol DeSchepper, Secretary
Sheryl Stenseth, Region 2
Carolyn Crowe, Region 4
Michelle Knapp, Region 5
Marilee Tollefson, Region 7

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion	Action	Responsible Person/Timeline
Welcome and Introductions	The group was welcomed and introductions made as individuals joined the call	None	
Opening Prayer	Carol DeSchepper offered opening devotions.	None	
Approval/Addition to Agenda	Lori asked for additions to the Agenda. There were no additional agenda items and the agenda was approved as published.	None	
Approval of Minutes	Lori presented the March 20, 2012 minutes for consideration. The minutes were approved as published.	None	
Treasurer's Report	The Treasurer's Report was earlier emailed to us. Nancy was unable to be on the call. \$2750.00 are held on behalf of regions and \$3394.80 are held in the National Fund account.	None	
Membership Report	The membership report is unchanged from last month. Region 4 has 74 paid members and all other regions have 48 paid members – for total membership of 122. Carol reported that she had emailed info on ELPNA and a membership form to 62 parish nurses in SD. She is not sure how many of them are eligible for ELPNA membership, but she has had a couple of people express interest in joining. Marilee asked if the letter Carol used can be shared with the board members.	Send off the letter draft To Board members	Carol DeSchepper

Regional Reports	<p>Region 1: No Report</p> <p>Region 2: Sheryl and Andy got together with the metro area nurses in March. She and Andy will connect soon.</p> <p>Region 3: The South Dakota Synod meeting is in June. Carol will host a table for the Avera Parish Nurse Center, but will also have information available on ELPNA. There is a Region 3 gathering scheduled for April 30, 2012 in St. Paul.</p> <p>Region 4: Carolyn reported that Norma continues to plan for the Youth Gathering. The \$500 fee has been waived by the planners of the youth gathering, as they are eager to have parish nursing represented there. No additional information is available at this time.</p> <p>Region 5: Michelle hopes to get to the Metro Chicago gathering in early June. She will need more brochures for local meetings and the HMA gathering.</p> <p>Region 6: No Report</p> <p>Region 7: Marilee reported that their network meeting will be on Friday of this week. The presentation is on the Scope and Standards of Practice. She also reported that the LSS program 'Support U', is going to be piloted in the DC area and the pilot congregation is Marilee's church (The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew). It is a self care program for caregivers.</p> <p>Region 8: Lori reported that they have commissioned their 5th parish nurse in three years. She will be meeting for the first time, this summer, with the SE Pennsylvania Parish Nurses. Lori was also at the LSA (Lutheran Services in America) meeting yesterday and she met with Emily Zellmer with the Board of Pensions (works with Tammy Devine) and saw the display on the 'Support U' Program.</p> <p>Region 9: No report</p>	<p>Send brochures to Michelle</p> <p>Keep the board apprised of the 'Support U' program</p>	<p>Lori Tormey</p> <p>Marilee Tollefson</p>
Retreat Discussion	<p>Michelle reported on two possible locations in the Chicago area. There is Techny Towers (about 12 miles from the airport). HMA has met there in the past. She has not talked to anyone from this location about details of scheduling/hosting events. She also mentioned the Cenacle – about 2- 3 blocks from the lake. She talked to someone there – it would be available for use on September 14 – 16. Their website is: www.cenaclechicago.org.</p> <p>Michelle still needs to get more information from Techny Towers as they may provide options for other dates. Some on the call today would be unable to attend the weekend of September 14 – 16. So we should see what Techny Towers has available.</p>	<p>Contact Techny Towers and be in touch with Lori</p>	<p>Michelle Knapp</p>

	<p>Lori asked the group to refer to the email from Mana about using Lutheridge in Arden, North Carolina. That location is also available on September 14 – 16. Their website is: http://www.llmi.net/lutheridge/default.aspx.</p> <p>It was determined that less than half of the board is on the call, so we felt unable to make a decision about a time and place for a retreat. We should look at the websites and get acquainted with the options. Lori will send an email out to the group and update the rest of the board. It seems critical that we tie down the date set so we can commit to a host location and get the dates on calendars. Our options are already limited.</p>	<p>After hearing from Michelle, send a communication to the board regarding options and available dates for a board retreat.</p>	<p>Lori Tormey</p>
Brochures	<p>June and Mana were unavailable for today's meeting. Deferred to the next meeting.</p>		
Youth Gathering	<p>See the Region 4 report. Lori asked about making a donation to the Youth Gathering, since the registration fee was graciously waived. She encouraged us to think about that and discuss at our next meeting.</p>	<p>Consider giving a donation to the Youth Gathering.</p> <p>Place on the May agenda</p>	<p>Board representatives</p> <p>Lori Tormey</p>
Questions, Thoughts, Prayer Concerns	<p>June Sand – She is experiencing personal challenges. Parish Nursing ministries across the nation</p>	<p>Pray for these important concerns</p>	<p>Board members</p>
Prayer for the May meeting	<p>Lori will offer opening prayer.</p>		<p>Lori Tormey</p>
Closing Prayer	<p>Carol DeSchepper offered closing prayer.</p>	<p>None</p>	

Respectfully,
Carol DeSchepper, Secretary