

**Nursing Education Research Interest Group  
MNRS, 2016**

Numbers present: 37

All were welcomed by chair Susan Herrington and were encouraged to sign in.

Susan introduced Diane Forsyth, the new chair for the ensuing year. Short bios will be posted for Forsyth and whoever the new chair-elect is.

Awards were presented to the following:

- Dr. Gloria Brummer, RN, DNP - Outstanding DNP Award
- Janet Levey RN PhD – Outstanding Dissertation Award
- Sherrill J. Smith RN, PhD for Advancement of Science (she also did a brief overview of her research work)

Jackie Meyer reported on needed changes for the awards review process. Application forms may be revised, and added materials or a check list. Those who volunteered to serve on this committee with Jackie Meyer as Awards Reviewers were:

- Yvonne Smith (ysmith@kent.edu)
- Lynnette L. Stamler (Lynnette.stamler@unmc.edu)
- Gloria Brummer (Gloria.brummer@hshs.org)
- Carol Reid (carolreid4708@gmail.com)
- Jean Yoclay (jean.yockey@usd.edu)

Susan Herrington gave a general RIG report –

- Communication – List serve and Linked In (at bottom of our website).  
With a guaranteed RIG, there are conference phone opportunities via MNRS.  
Other RIG communication ideas – newsletter; ideas from others – newsletter (please do not use ‘reply all’ on this).
- There are revised RIG Manual changes
- Do what we can to interest students in the Nursing Education RIG
- Possibility of using Nursing Network to highlight events
- The Emerging Scholars network is open – see MNRS website
- Application process for grants is changing – now go to MNRS and they will determine which grant is most appropriate; may apply for multiple grants

The Education Research Interest Group has a Guaranteed Symposium for next year. Ideas were solicited from the group, including: interprofessional education (using mixed methods, unique designs, tools to measure), competency based curriculum, instrument development “think tank”, technology (informatics, using technology to teach, simulation, etc.). Members who volunteered for the Symposium Planning group (for next year in Minneapolis, April 6-9) were:

- Nancy Novotny (lnovot@ilstu.edu)
- Debbie Stark (dmstark@methodistcol.edu)
- Lynnette Stamler (lynnette.stamler@unmc.edu)
- Andrea Harmelink (andrea.harmelink@usiouxfalls.edu)
- Jean Yockey (jean.yockey@usd.edu)

Dr. Forsyth will communicate with these planners regarding a theme/topical area and timeline.

Ed RIG goals for last year (from website) were reviewed. An updated goal is planning for the 2017 Nursing Education Symposium.

Other business – The names submitted for MNRS for the Nurse Educator liaison last year were: Nancy Novotny, Margaret DeBello, and Darrell Sperlock. Nancy was present and stated she had not received any communication, nor reviewed any education grants this past year. She cannot serve this year. Dr. Forsyth will work with MNRS staff to better understand the issue and will and solicit one of the other names to serve the ensuing term.

Following the meeting, Patti Varga came forward as a chair-elect candidate, since no one volunteered during the meeting.

Diane Forsyth, Note Taker