Each RIG Chair will need to submit this form to info@mnrs.org within two (2) weeks after the Annual Conference ends.

**RIG Name:** __Qualitative Methods______________________________

**Number Attended:** 23

**RIG Leadership for the past year:**

Chair-elect: Jill Peltzer

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Past-chair: Maria Yelle

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**RIG Snapshots:** Each RIG has its own web page within the MNRS website for you to highlight the section’s activities and plans for the upcoming year(s):

**Upcoming Awards**
- Outstanding Dissertation Award
- Junior Investigator Award

**Upcoming Research Snapshots**
- Will send email to coordinate calendar of highlighting RIG members
Qualitative Methods RIG
MNRS 2017 Annual Research Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota
4-7-17

Chaired by Dr. Jill Peltzer

1.) Introductions and a Sign In sheet was passed around
2.) Awards for Junior Researcher Award: Dr. Cynthia Bell
3.) Award for Outstanding Dissertation Award: Dr. Doncy Eapen
4.) Presentations of each of the awardees (10 min each)
5.) Dr. Peltzer provided summary of the Chair RIG meeting that this is a restructuring year for all RIGs. Proposal is due at the end of April.
6.) Question was asked to the group, “What is your vision for the RIG?”

Responses from the group:
- Jill and Maria introduced a possible educational component, example from feedback last year on philosophical underpinnings of phenomenology workshop.
- Meeting people with common interests.
- Survey was conducted to get feedback from RIG in Chairing past RIGS
- Collaboration
- Support for students
- Support for researchers
- Mentioned LinkedIn as a mechanism we tried in the past to connect these common interests, but little response and connection happened.
- A place where there is a need to recruit qualitative reviewers, for example, in Gerontology, there are a lot of qualitative studies, but few people who know qualitative methods to be qualified to review.
- RIG is a place to connect
- Email a simple survey to identify needs
- More time for social get together face to face during annual conference rather than via email or on-line, because 1 hour is not enough.
- Upcoming is a either guaranteed symposium or competitive symposium.
- Want a RIG for networking
- Education
- Try to work on a preconference
- A RIG to help people who feel stuck
- A place to reach out to students to help them get unstuck.
- Use spotlights to highlight experts in methodologies to create community
- New letters of accomplishments of people from our RIG

Summary moving forward
- Networking
- Support
- Education
• Mentoring
• Someone from Nursing Science Quarterly

• **Ideas for symposium:**
  • How Qualitative Research Can Inform Intervention Research
  • How do you defend or write about qualitative methods with an N of 10 to competitive journals and grants
  • Voiced interest in competitive symposium.
  • How can qualitative methods inform Big Data?

Pictures were taken of the awardees.

Minutes submitted by Maria Yelle  4-11-17