



## **Nursing Section Business Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> WCDEM**

**May 15, 2007**

### **Minutes**

**Attendance:** E Daily; KJ McGlown; P Arbon; R Powers; K Figgis; K Andress; K Qureshi; B Weiner; T Trangenstein; S Mitani; D Swan; D Brahmbhatt; S Eckert; K Davies; C Whittaker; M Kearney; L Slepiski; E Weber; T Ligthelm

#### **1.) Introductory Comments**

E Daily welcomed attendees and presented the bylaws of the section. These had been created at a workshop of the inaugural committee members held the previous week. R Powers had joined the inaugural committee as replacement for P Padjen, who was unable to continue her involvement with the group. The purposes, goals, membership, executive roles and committees were described.

The four key goals are:

- To raise the profile of the nursing section of WADEM
- To foster professional growth of nurses
- To develop disaster nursing cooperation globally
- To network/integrate nursing into WADEM activities/programs

The newly created Bylaws for the Nursing Section of the WADEM (including the Section's purposes and goals) were unanimously approved by all members present.

#### **2.) Strategic Planning/ Work Plan**

J McGlown presented the WADEM nursing section's strategic plan (attached) as developed by the inaugural committee. The plan includes key tasks and timeline targets for each activity related to the section's four key goals. These have been prioritized by the group and discussed with other WADEM groups attending the pre-conference working retreat. The Strategic Plan for the achievement of the Section's goals was unanimously approved by all members present.

*A copy of the strategic plan document will be emailed to all attendees.*

#### Publications

The role of *Nursing Insight* was emphasized. This publication will continue on a quarterly basis and also will become available in Spanish.

A nursing supplement to PDM is planned for 2008.

R Powers is editing an International Disaster Nursing text on behalf of the WADEM planned for completion in early 2008



#### Education Committee

Paul Arbon, *Australia (Chair)*

Kristine Qureshi

Kevin Davies

Robert Powers

Daksha Brahmhatt

Sue Eckert

#### Membership Committee

Knox Andress, *US*

#### Program Committee

Joanne McGlown, *US (Co-chair)*

Kristine Qureshi, *US (Co-chair)*

Theo Ligthelm

Elizabeth Weber (?)

#### Publications Committee

Margeurite Kearney, *US (Chair)*

Robert Powers

Joan Valas

#### Research Committee

Satoko Mitani, *Japan (Co-Chair)*

Daksha Brahmhatt, *US (Co-Chair)*

Paul Arbon

Koichi Shinchi

Betsy Weiner

#### Liaison Committee

Joanne McGlown, *US (Chair)*

Individual members with links to organizations will work with the chair of this group (Joanne McGlown). Robert Powers remains the link to WHO building on previous representation of the group. Knox Andress will serve as the link to ENA and Betsy Weiner will serve as the link to NEDEP.

*It was agreed that committee members' contact details be placed on the nursing web page to facilitate contact with committees.*

### **5.) Closing Comments**

Funding requests – are presented to the Board of WADEM by the executive of the nursing section. The executive of the Board has a grantsmanship committee responsible for

organization fundraising. Ideas and opportunities should be referred by nursing section members to the Executive Committee

**Meeting adjourned.**

