OPHA Nursing section  
January 10, 2022

**Present:** Tom Engle, Connie Guist, Renee’ Menkens, Katherine Bradley, Julie Plagenhoef, Angel Harris, Esther Mae Jones, Carol Elliott

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| Topic | Discussion | Action |
| Introductions | Members present introduced themselves and their role on the Nursing Section board and section. | Welcome all! |
| Spring event planning – tentative date May 12, 2022 from 11:30-1:00.  Format:  11:30 gathering  11:45-12:45 program  12:45-1:00 social gathering /closing | Julie was thanked for her assistance in leading and planning the spring event.  We have a budget of about $200 for honorarium. $50 for award. $500 for food – coupons from Laughing Planet or coupon for buying lunch on us if not in the Portland area.  Typically, have had 20-25 people attend. Since online could have up to 50 which would be remarkable. Registration will be critical.  Speaker – themes were suggested.   * A more positive theme was noted on resilience. * Oregon Center for Nursing may have some ideas for potential speakers. Future of Nursing II workforce theme or wellness. * Information about the statewide program for home visiting was suggested. * **Travis Nelson, ONA board – legislative theme (second contact)** * Possibly Deborah Riddick about policy issues – successes and failures from the 2022 legislative session. However, she is no longer in the state. * **Ruby Jason, definition of nursing and focus on public health nursing. Oregon adopted the international definition of nursing practice. She is noted as a great talker and is inspirational. (first contact)** * Attracting nurses into public health – many are leaving bedside nursing. What can we do to make public health jobs more relevant? * Public Health nursing is in every aspect of nursing. Inspiring nurses to understand how public health is part of the job and how to talk about this with other nurses. * What would Ruby Jason like to tell us about the profession of nursing as someone who is retiring within the next year?   Suggested that those present share why they became a nurse as part of the program. | The planning committee includes Julie, Esther, Renee, and Kayla.  Thursday, May 12 is international nurses’ day.  An opportunity to connect with nurses in community and public health.  **Julie will contact Ruby Jason and see if she is available and interested in speaking.**  Format suggestions (11:30-1:00):   * 10-minute breakout introduction * 20-minute presentation * 10-minute breakout following presentation * 10- minute report out/discussion * 5-minutes for Q&A * 15 social gathering/closing   Could plan time together and include break out rooms to respond to specific questions based on key note. Then come back together to share ideas.  **Invite list – need to develop flyer to go with emails about the event:**  OPHA section nurses,  OHA RNs  Local health departments statewide,  OPHA member who is a nurse,  Students – maybe forward to SON Deans  Nursing Organizations – Hispanic organization, School Health, Black Nurses of Oregon, Occupational Health, ONA  OCN send out invitation to their listserv  **Katherine will check into this with OPHA:**   * Need to talk with Dana at OPHA about registration process * Suggest giving $10 gift card to the first 50 people registering. * Or reimburse people after the fact with a check?   **Connie Guist will help with tracking money and registration for the event.**  **Esther Mae Jones will help with developing a flyer and mailing gift cards to those who attend.** |
| Next meeting | Monday, February 14, 2022 at 4:30pm via zoom | Continue planning for spring event. |

Respectfully submitted,  
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