

WCN Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes
Monday, March 5, 2018 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
WCN Offices at 1101 Andover Park West, Suite 105, Tukwila, WA 98188

Attending: Julie Samms, Victoria Fletcher, Debbie Brinker, Diane Sosne, Sally Watkins, Chris Bircham, Katie Eilers, Lena Hristova

Excused: Michelle James, Grace Yang, Cate Armstrong, Antwinett Lee, Rebecca Ainley, Tracey Kasnic

Topics	Discussion	Action Needed
Call to order	Ms. Aragon called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm. A quorum was present on the phone.	
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant Proposal (Katie Eilers)	<p>Ms. Eilers gave an overview of RWJF. Dorene Hersh, co-chair of the Leadership WA Nursing Action Coalition was invited to apply as a RWJF Public Health Nurse Leader. The grant would provide resources to support the work of the Leadership WNAC. An example is the social determinants of health toolkit developed by UW DNP student Melissa Hutchinson, which was presented at the last WCN board meeting. This work fits with our partnership in Healthier WA to advance equity.</p> <p>This grant can also support Action Now. Dorene is a member of the Clinical Experiences Workgroup, co-chaired by Debbie Brinker. WCN would be in a competitive position to hire staff to support these efforts.</p> <p>Discussion on grant terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • term of the grant – one year. Discussion about budget for grant proposal; modeled after the APIN grant. • The proposal is \$90,000 from the RWJF Grant and \$90,000 in matching funds from WCN. • The main deliverable is development of a report and dissemination. • There is partnership support, including WA State Hospital Association. 	<p>Decision - Moved/Second/Approved unanimously moving forward with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant Proposal.</p> <p>Ms. Aragon to share final grant proposal with board members prior to submission.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant awards should be announced in April • Financial questions: Ms. Aragon provided an overview spoke to our accounts and walked members thru our balance sheet. We are on track for savings we projected. There may be unforeseen projects in the future. This might limit future projects we might volunteer to support/help without the cushion we have before this grant. • Travel is included in the grant proposal • the Nursing Commission frequently makes comments about having “too much money” in our accounts. <p>Are there any limitations to how we can use these funds? More discussion about what we can't see as future opportunities.</p> <p>Board members were asked to submit letters of recommendation.</p> <p>The grant proposal is due Friday, March 9th. Ms. Hersh will submit the grant</p>	
Next Meeting		
Adjourn	Meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm.	

Submitted by: Frank Kohel

Approved: