

Minutes from the Region I INA Spring Meeting
Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 6:00 p.m.
Boz-Wellz in Storm Lake

Present: Linda Opheim, Karen Waldschmitt , Christina Peterson, Diane Anderson, and Mary Kovarna

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30.
2. Minutes of September 18, 2014 were approved.
3. Treasurer report: We currently have \$ 3,273.25 in the account. All agreed to contribute \$300 from the Region to INA for purchase of the Membership Toolkit.
4. President report: Kovarna presented at the INA Legislative Day in February that had a substantial attendance of nursing students and nurses from practice settings.
5. Unfinished business
 - a. Report of 2014 Annual Meeting: Attendance was down, feedback was satisfactory.
6. New Business
 - a. Review Region Membership and Guidelines: Changes were approved regarding the officer responsibilities. The secretary will now have a dual responsibility with the communications officer instead of the treasurer. Other changes were approved to make the language parallel with the INA Guidelines. We will do an electronic vote after the changes the document is revised. Further changes reflecting future INA State Guidelines will be made at a later date.
 - b. Responsibilities for 2015 Annual Meeting: Opheim reported on various plans for the October 14th Annual meeting to be held at the Marriot in Ankeny. We are looking for sponsorships to help fund the event. She will keep members posted via email.
 - c. Elect Nurse of the Year: Christina Peterson was selected as the 2015 Region 1 Nurse of the Year. She will send her bio to Kovarna for the program.
 - d. Planning for Region 1 meetings 2015: The next meeting will be held on September 10 at 6:30 via phone conference call. Kovarna will request the arrangements through Maggie Rice. We will also meet during the Annual Meeting at a time TBA. We will continue to hold a winter Phone conference meeting and a face-to face Spring meeting in March or April.
7. Report from Region 1 INA Board Representative-
 - a. The INA Retreat will be held on August 8 at the Marriot in Ankeny. All members are invited to attend, specifically the members of the INA committees.
 - b. INA is focused on increasing membership and looking at sources of revenue. The board is also investigating an evaluation of the board process.
8. Officer elections:

Mary Kovarna as President and Christina Petersen as secretary/communications officer were unanimously approved. The remaining officers are Diane Anderson as Treasurer and Linda Opheim as Representative to the Board.
9. Adjournment at 8:00pm.

Respectfully, Mary Kovarna