NEC REPs Interim Meeting

Saturday 13th May

National Conference, Portlaoise

<u>Agenda</u>

11.15hrs Welcome and Introductions

11.25hrs CRA Articles of Association Update

Dear Chairperson and Trustees,

The submission you made for Irish General Practice Nurses Educational Association has been returned for the following reason(s):

The Charities Regulator approves the proposed amendment(s) to the constitution. Please proceed to adopt it, then please upload a copy of the adopted version and the Special Resolution/minutes of meeting adopting same and resubmit the change purpose form - to resubmit this, log into MyAccount and go to your returned Change of Purpose, Object or other Constitution Amendment submission to upload the required documents and re-submit.

Please make the required amendments outlined above. There is no need to complete a new form. Just log into MyAccount and click My Filings, select the tab with the heading 'returned' then open the submission to make the amendments. Regards,

Meagan Gill

Registration and Reporting Team

It is required that we hold an EGM to formally adopt the approved Articles of Association.

Proposed date: Monday 29th May at 8pm via zoom.

All members to receive their invitation to the EGM no later than 7 days in advance, via email.

11.35hrs CEO Poll Result

305 members voted = 30.5% of members 292 voted in favour 13 voted against

- Job description
- CEO role to be defined
- Reporting structure
- New role description for National Chair
- New role description for administrator
- Hours required circa 2 days / 16 hours
- Rate of remuneration
- Funding of role
- Employment contract
- Interview panel proposed 2 internal (NEC officer x 1 NEC REP x 1) and 2 external (HR x 1
 Accountant x 1)
- Advertising of role must be on a public platform to comply with legislation.
- If any sitting NEC Officer or sitting NEC Rep are interested in role, they will have to step down from their role prior to role being advertised to avoid the accusation of gaining

insider knowledge. They can have no access to information on other interested candidates.

These and any other issues raised regarding the role, to be debated at EGM on Monday 29th May at 8pm via zoom. Issues in addition to those listed here to be received by administrator no later than Thursday 25th May at 4.30pm.

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11.45hrs PDCs as Association members' update

Hi Marv.

I hope this finds you well? Thanks for those dates.

I understood that the NEC were anxious to know more about what the PDCs are doing but it would be challenging to do this in the space of ten minutes? It might be more expedient if we used the journal to update everyone instead? It obviously doesn't allow for discussion but we are always happy to talk to any of your members by phone or email.

Regarding the membership issue, following discussion we have a few questions and would be grateful if you could clarify please?

- 1. The Articles of Association of the IGPNEA currently states that full membership is 'open to' PDCs. Considering the membership voted at the AGM to allow PDCs continued membership, how does the NEC propose to proceed with a change to this section? Is there a procedure and will the PDCs be given an opportunity to contribute to discussion/communication on the question to members?
- 2. Has the NEC give any consideration to our suggestion of an 'associate' type membership, which would allow us to maintain close links with the Association but perhaps allay some of your concerns around our knowledge of or involvement in the operational end of things?
- 3. As has been raised previously with the NEC, some of the PDCs cross several branch areas and it has never been clarified how this is managed in terms of membership fee and access to educational meetings. Again associate membership might allow us to attend and update our local branches without multiple memberships being asked for?

The PDCs wish to work closely with the IGPNEA, but we consider that our role is not valued by the association. We are advocates for all measures that support the GPN role in a quality driven, person-centred service for community based healthcare and we work tirelessly to promote and develop the GPN role at local, regional and national level. We wish to strengthen partnership with all agencies whose agenda is similar and would appreciate any suggestions as to how we might achieve this with the IGPNEA.

I look forward to further discussion.

Kind regards,

Marie

4 PDCs are currently in post

2 are members of the Association

11.55hrs Conference 2024

Proposed date: Friday 11th and Saturday 12th October 2024

Proposed venue: Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise

11.59hrs Meeting close

Thank you for attending.

Next NEC Reps meeting Monday 12th June at 8pm via zoom