



**World Naturopathic Federation – Board Meeting
Minutes**

Saturday 11th of November, 2015 at 1pm (Toronto time)

Attendees: Iva Lloyd, Tina Hausser, Michael Cronin, Ysu Umbalo, Tom Greenfield, Jill Dunn

August board meeting minutes were approved.

1. Membership Update

- I. Iva Lloyd clarified the terms of membership and the criteria for each category. Fatiha Lavand homme requested in an email prior to the meeting that the board reconsider the fee for educational members and that we implement a sliding scale similar to what was done for full and associate members. The proposal in principle was tabled by Iva Lloyd, seconded by Jill Dunn and approved by the board. There was discussion as to what the sliding scale should be and the criteria, but no decision was made. In a subsequent board meeting we will approve the actual change and the criteria for the sliding scale.
- II. Founding members. All members that are approved by the January board meeting will be listed as founding members of the WNF. The proposal was introduced by Iva Lloyd, proposed by Tina Hausser, seconded by Ysu Umbalo and approved by the board.
- III. Tina Hausser provided details on the potential WNF members that she met at the Uruguay conference and an update on the conference. She has provided a document with an overview of the conference which will be uploaded to the website.
- IV. Iva Lloyd provided an update on the potential WNF members that had sent in inquiries to the WNF including associations from Israel, India, Mexico and Spain.

2. Committee Updates

- I. History and Philosophy – updated provided by the Chair, Tina Hausser. The committee has changed the name to the Naturopathic Roots Committee. A survey has been sent out to 80 naturopathic schools from around the world with a naturopathic program of at least 1500 hours. Surveys are expected to be completed by the end of January and then the committee will start a more detailed analysis. For a full update, check the website. Tina recommended that the WNF board consider a Global Naturopathic Day. The date of 3rd of February was proposed by Tina as that is Gandhi's birthday. There was discussion as to the applicability of implementing this. The decision was to table it for now. Tina proposed that the board consider a colour for the profession – green. Medical doctors are associated with white lab coats, Mechanics with blue overalls, etc. The decision was to table the discussion and come back to it in the future.
- II. Professional Mapping update by Jill Dunn. The committee has had a difficult start and struggled getting adequate members, but it has its committee selected now. The update for the professional mapping committee is on the WNF website.
- III. Research update by Iva Lloyd. The new website will be the foundation for the research committee to promote naturopathic research. Once the new website is up and running the committee will begin to meet.

- IV. Fundraising update by Michael Cronin. There have been discussions with some individuals in the USA that are willing to fund 50% tuition for individuals to acquire naturopathic education. Goal is to find someone else or another organization outside of the USA to fund the other 50%.
3. Logo & Website Update by Iva Lloyd. The logo has been completed and approved. Thank you for all those that participated in the process. The website design and implementation will happen over the next few months. If you have any information or pictures that you would like included please send them to Iva.
4. 2016 General Assembly at ICNM was cancelled by ICNM via an email to the WNF. They are unable to host the WNF.
 - I. ICNM logo and supporting partner request. ICNM requested that they be able to use the WNF logo in their promotion. There was a discussion and the decision was that any WNF member would be able to use the WNF logo indicating that they were affiliated with the WNF. Motion proposed by Tina Hausser, 2nd by Michael Cronin, all approved. Iva Lloyd to send an email indicating that they could go ahead.
5. 2017 General Assembly / Conference update by Iva Lloyd. The 2017 WNF General Assembly is still planned for South Africa. The role of the WNF will be to provide support and guidance with respect to selection of presenters / speakers at the conference.
6. Administrative Updates by Iva Lloyd. An administrative assistance has been hired. Her name is Denise Yeung. You will be receiving updates from her, moving forward. We have been busy creating a foundation for the WNF. Accounts have been set up with Tech Soup, Go-to-Meeting, Survey Monkey, 1and1 hosting platform. The executive has made the decision to change from on-line quickbooks to desktop quickbooks for security reasons.
7. Financial Update by Iva Lloyd. In the January meeting that WNF budget for 2016 will be presented for approval.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.