Council on SIGs Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 28, 2015
Time: 10am HT/12am PT/1pm MT/2pm CT/3pm ET
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Present
Kristi Graves, PhD (Chair)
Claudio Nigg, PhD (Outgoing Chair)
David Ahern, PhD
James Aikens, PhD
Joanna Buscemi, PhD
Andrea Clements, PhD
Lara Dhingra, PhD
Bernard Fuemmeler, PhD, MPH
Michael Ann Glotfelter, MS
Neha Gothe, PhD
Clement Gwede, PhD, MPH, RN
Jeffrey Haibach, PhD, MPH
Alesha Hruska, MPH
Amy Janke, PhD
Andrea Kozak, PhD
Sarah Lillie, PhD
Dejan Magoc, PhD
Robin Masheb, PhD
Arlen Moller, PhD
Melissa Napolitano, PhD
Christine Rini, PhD
John Salsman, PhD
Jamila Sly, PhD
Jayson Spas, PhD
Barbara Stetson, PhD
Monica Wang, ScD, MS
Sandra Winter, PhD, MHA
Julie Wright, PhD
David Williams, PhD

Regrets
Lila Finney Rutten, PhD, MPH
Heather Gainforth, PhD
Emily Grieser, PhD
Jennifer Huberty, PhD
Kathryn E. Kanzler, PsyD, ABPP
Sara Kornfield, PhD
Beth Lewis, PhD
Erin Olson
Lori Scott-Sheldon, PhD
Jennifer St. Sauver, PhD, MPH
Jerry Suls, PhD
Julie Wright, PhD
Laura Young, MD, PhD

Staff
Amy Stone, Executive director
Erica Linc, Program manager

SIG Chair Survey Discussion
Discussion on the value of surveying SIG chairs about best practices, programs/sessions that were especially well received, and mentoring initiatives among other items. Chairs very interested in having a way to indicate that they are interested in collaborating on annual meeting events and which SIGs they would like to work with. Other suggestions included looking at which SIGs SBM members have joined and/or where they allocated their SIG fund to indicate natural collaborations.

Action items:
- Dr. Graves will create a list that includes things such as seminars, courses, etc. that SIGs could select if interested in collaborating with other SIGs. Asked that SIG chairs email her with further suggestions (Kristi.Graves@georgetown.edu).
- Dr. Rini will help edit survey.
2015 Annual Meeting Programming Highlights
Council shared thoughts and comments on San Antonio sessions. Sessions from the San Antonio meeting that people found particularly useful or interesting included:

- Networking events for students and new members;
- The Technology SIG’s “Tech Madness” morning session;
- The debate (timing, content and level of interactivity); and
- Sessions on obtaining funding.

Discussion of Engagement and Attendance Strategies
Discussion centered on strategies to boost attendance at SIG sponsored sessions at future annual meetings. Suggestions for improvement at future annual meetings included:

- Partnering with other SIGs.
- Collecting demographic data about SIG members to better tailor programming to needs or interests of SIG members.
- Highlighting sessions during annual meetings that would be of interest to SIG members. Some SIGs created lists of programming that would be of interest to their members.

Health Policy Committee Policy Brief Proposal Process
Dr. Buscemi presented the process for SIGs to propose a policy brief to the committee:

- Contact Dr. Buscemi at buscemi@uic.edu to receive more information on the process to develop a proposal.
- Dr. Buscemi would then bring proposal to committee for review and feedback.
- If approved, SIG could then work with committee to develop brief to then get final approval from SBM Executive Committee.
- The brief would be uploaded to SBM’s policy brief webpage (http://www.sbm.org/about/public-policy/statements) and could end up being published in other places.
- Briefs should be timely and in line with SBM’s mission.

Update on SIG Special Issue Project
Claudio Nigg provided an update on the SIG special issue project.

SIG Chair Orientation
Erica Linc took the new SIG chairs through an orientation which covered the SIG Program, SBM’s organizational structure, staff roles and responsibilities, chair roles, and examples of task and procedures. SIG chairs are welcome to contact Erica Linc (elinc@sbm.org) at any time with questions or concerns.

Next Meeting:
Thursday, June 25, 2015.