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Candidate for: MNRS Board President-Elect



Personal Statement:

I am completely honored to be invited as a nominee for the MNRS President-Elect position. I have been a member of MNRS since 1991 when I learned of the organization in my master's program and how important it was for advancing nursing research in the Midwestern states. I have since been a member and actively participated annually in presenting research findings, networking with other nurse researchers, assuming leadership roles in MNRS, and helping advance the mission, vision and strategic priorities. The organization has been a main source for my networking and collegial relationship development. I have attended the majority of annual conferences since my original membership given the meaningful connections and quality scientific sessions. In 2009, I became involved in the MNRS Annual Conference Planning Committee, assuming Chair in 2013. I was also active in the Research Interest Group, Research through Academic Clinical Partnerships, serving as Co-Chair, and was involved in the Awards submission for this RIG with the University of Iowa CON and Hospitals and Clinics, and The Ohio State University CON and Medical Center, both receiving awards for the great partnership work. In 2015, I was elected to the Board of Directors at Large, followed by election as Treasurer in 2017 for which I served two terms. I am currently the past-Treasurer where I serve on the Finance Committee to be a historical voice for the current Treasurer. I learned much from Dr. Marjorie Bott, who was the esteemed Treasurer before me. In my role as Treasurer, I was actively involved in the search for a new management company in 2018 under the leadership of Drs. Susan Rawl and Janean Holden; along with Drs. Lauren Aaronson and Marjorie Bott. We were steadfast in this quest and ultimately hired the Parthenon Management Group, which we could not be more pleased with. With this new management company, we have seen the MNRS

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organization turn around from financial decline and concern to financial strength and a growth model. During this timeline, we also helped the MNRS Foundation become independent. This was a big win. It has been very inspiring, rewarding and humbling to work with the amazing pioneer nurse scientists in MNRS over the years. I am very motivated about the possibility of serving as the MNRS President, should the members elect me. I will commit to building on the legacies of the prior MNRS presidents including those with whom I have served on the Board: Drs. Susan Rawl, Janine Holden, Cindy Anderson and Kitty Buckwalter. If elected, I will aim to continue their successes and advancements of the premier nursing science organization. I would also aim to partner with our members to advance the strategic plan developed by Dr. Anderson and team to ensure the engagement and success of our members along with looking into the future to develop and envision the future of nursing research.

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