

# NACADA Global Initiatives Committee

## 2019 International Conference Meeting, Hasselt

10 July 2019

### Present

Mehvash Ali – Chair (MA), Rhonda Baker (RB), Susan Corner (SC), Thea de Kluijver (TDK), Rui Geng (RG), Effie Hortis (EFH), Brett McFarlane (BM), Charlie Nutt (CN), Rubab Jafry O'Connor (RO), Penny Robinson (PR), Kathy Stockwell (KS), Harriet Wuriyeti (HW), Yisi Zhan (YZ)

MA welcomed attenders to the meeting and thanked them for coming. She explained that NACADA had an open-door policy for meetings.

### 1. Region Review

This was a NACADA initiative. At present the regions were limited to the USA and Canada. Since the beginning of Association the membership had changed and there were now many global members, so a review of the regional structure had been initiated, with a survey circulated and focus groups established. At the Town Hall meeting to be held later in the Conference, delegates would be asked for their views, which would be very important.

The Region Review Group had recently looked at the recommendations received; they wanted to complete the data collection first, before publishing them. Members of the Group would attend the Global Initiatives Committee meeting at the 2019 Annual Conference.

### 2. Updates

- **Visiting Advisor Program:** the Board and Council had approved this. It was hoped that some scholarships might be made available; CN said that the GIC needed to think about what funds would be needed, for the Finance Committee to consider. Work was being done on a website for the VAP.
- **Global Lounge at the Annual Conference:** KS, EH and SC were working on this. It was hoped that posters from the International Conference could be shown there; RB was checking how they could be displayed. Attenders from overseas would be encouraged to bring food from their countries. There would be a world map, on which people could place dots to show where they were from, and also a jigsaw. It was intended to be a fun place where people could hang out. RB would provide a list of the non-North American members coming to the Annual Conference. RB would be in the Global Lounge throughout the Conference, but it would be appreciated if other members of the GIC could

volunteer to be there for an hour as well. She would make a sign-up sheet available.

- **Inclusive Website:** work on translation was ongoing. The core competencies had now been translated into Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean and Spanish.
- **Webinars:** suggested names for webinars had been sent to Leigh Cunningham. There were plans for a 24-hour virtual conference for women.
- **Posters at the International Conference:** there were posters explaining advising structures in different countries. Some would be taken to the Annual Conference, for display there.
- **GIC Website:** this was being updated, with reports on projects.

### 3. Glossary of Terms

This was circulated. Forms had been devised on which people could suggest new entries; it was a living document, but suggestions would be reviewed before they were included. The glossary had now been moved to the K-State server. Regan was congratulated on her excellent work on this.

### 4. Friends Network

PR, TDK and RJO would work on this after the Annual Conference. A form, on which members could indicate their wish to be included, was circulated; RB would talk to Michele Holaday to establish if an online version could be devised. SC suggested that, if repeated themes emerged in the pilot project, a drop-down list might be created for the future.