ONCOLOGY NURSING SOCIETY
BLOOD & MARROW STEM CELL TRANSPLANT (BMT) SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, April 28, 2005
PLACE: Orlando Florida, Orange County Convention Center, Room 315A
TIME: 5:15 PM (ET) – 6:30 PM (ET)
RECORDER: Margaret Bevans

ATTENDEES: (List of attendees attached)

I. Agenda
Distributed to attendees. Click here to review.

II. Approval of 2004 BMT SIG Minutes
   • Motion for approval: S. Steingass
   • Seconded by Kathy Mishaw
   • Unanimously approved

III. Announcements (R. Ford)
   a. Introductions among attendees
   b. Membership increased to 1,022
   c. ONS is addressing the time of the SIG meetings at ONS Congress. Watch for changes next year
   d. E-bay auction to raise funds for ONS Foundation
   e. Consider returning the orange cards in folder to support efforts to improve nursing shortage
   f. Radiation SIG set a challenge to buy Red Bucks at ONS Foundation Booth
   g. Review specific conference offerings and abstracts representing BMT
   h. FACT sheet distributed
   i. ONS allowing a survey on-line of SIG members – to be developed

IV. BMT Tandem Meeting Review (M. Burgunder)
   Summary handout distributed to attendees. Click here to view.
   a. Held in Keystone, CO, 2/2005
   b. Approximately 300 RNs in attendance
   c. All states represented and approximately 5 different countries
   d. 34 BMT nursing posters
   e. Evaluations: 94% participants = objectives met
   f. Evaluations available for review upon request
   g. Next meeting: February 16-20, 2006 in Honolulu, HI; registration begins early June; Chairs K. Schmit-Pokorny and M. Burgunder
   h. Consider submitting abstracts according to the ONS abstract guidelines available on the ONS website.
V. Virtual Community for BMT SIG (R. Ford)
Handout distributed to attendees. Click here to review.
   a. Pathway is through membership link on ONS site
   b. Changes being considered to ease access
   c. Transplant Resource Directory available but needs to be reviewed and updated – please help!
   d. Experts have been identified to answer specific questions from on-line Virtual Community. If you are interested in receiving email responses when certain questions are posed or answered, login on the website and indicate accordingly.

VI. Review of Topics for Future BMT SIG Submissions (R. Ford)
   a. Some ideas were from email and others through the website.
   b. Additional discussion at the meeting generated the following:
      1. Care of the Elderly BMT Patient
      2. Transplant of Non-Hematologic Diseases
      3. Surgical Cases in BMT
      4. ABCs or Nuts/Bolts of BMT
      5. Hematology Day or Multiple Myeloma (IOL?)
   c. Concern that BMT Tandem meeting is too advanced for new BMT nurses
   d. Consider basic BMT education at ONS (Pre-Congress topic) and continue focus of more advanced topics for BMT Tandem meeting
   e. Consider BMT topic for IOL 2006 = as above
   f. Remember: No guarantees with submission from BMT SIG; ONS reviews all submissions based on the blueprint for the meeting; focus on information for the staff RNs
   g. If Pre-Congress submission is accepted need to consider a fit with the revision of the ONS BMT publication

VII. BMT SIG Newsletter (R. Ford)
   a. Difficulty this past year in completion of newsletter but issues have been addressed and a new issue will be out soon.
   b. Ideas for improving the pool of contributors to the newsletter: development of regional advocates for collecting articles or writing. Several members submitted their names. Consider a lead article followed by Q&A as a format.

VIII. Sub-Specialty Certification Brainstorming (J. Sanoshy – ONCC Board)
   a. This certification would follow OCN or AOCN certification
   b. Overall interest obtained with show of hands: All but 5 hands (of 30 in attendance) were raised.
   c. Discussion proceeded on: exam versus portfolio certification; requirement of time as BMT RN. What standards would drive the development of exam?
   d. Points to consider: peds vs adult; size of centers; type of transplant (autio/allo); FACT certification
   e. Understanding: long process to approve and develop the process. Help will be requested so watch for future details.
IX. Oncology Writing Opportunities (P. Buchsel – ONS Board of Directors)
   a. ONS is open and seeking ideas and questions
   b. Please visit booth while at ONS Congress
   c. Looking for writers for updated version of PBSCT; currently over 20 chapters
   d. Example topics: symptom management, current diseases, vaccine in BMT
   e. Honorarium will be offered
   f. Mentorship and editorial support will be provided
   g. Contact P. Buchsel at pbuchsel@nwlink.com for any questions

X. Adjournment
   The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. (ET)

Attendees List for BMT SIG Meeting

SIG Members
Debra Adornetto-Garcia *
Bristen Barton
Margaret Bevans
Sallie Brovitz-Palmer *
Sheila Colleen Bruch *
Mary Burgunder *
Carol Causton
Amy Coghill
April Davis *
Rosemary Ford
Pat Groff
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