



Greetings to all Members,

The Board hopes you are doing well and getting a taste of spring as we “march” on in 2021. Please see the highlights from the MN SOPHE board meeting held on March 12, 2021.

2021 MN SOPHE Health Education Summit

Mary Kramer, President-elect, will chair the upcoming summit planning process. The first meeting of the committee will be Friday, March 19. The committee is looking for interesting ideas for speakers, formats and the overall theme of the summit. Please contact MN SOPHE if you want to share your own ideas or things you have learned from other conferences that would benefit our membership. sopheminn@gmail.com

Networking Social Hour

Student representative, Sia Xiong and Kayla Rinderknecht along with Taylour Blakeman, Membership chair and Cecelia Schaefer, Communications chair have planned a member’s social hour for March 30, at 5 pm. Stay tuned for more details and ways to sign on. Additional networking events will be planned for the future to include a variety of relevant topics for students and professionals.

That’s Interesting...Committee Report Update

At the next meeting the Advocacy Committee will set the direction for steps to address the topics of specific interest for the MN SOPHE chapter, gathered from recent discussions and survey.

Membership Committee is planning a wellness challenge for the month of April. Watch for ways YOU can participate.

Communications and Membership are working on new content and photos for the chapter website. If you have stories or photos of your work in the community (especially related to the COVID-19 response), please send them along for consideration. We want to acknowledge your important work!

Contact MN SOPHE Committee chairs for questions and interest in their projects.
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Kudos and Congratulations

There is a lot of good work being done to promote health education. Here is a sample of some accomplishments from MN SOPHE:

- Mary Kramer, President-elect, was awarded the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing Outstanding Service Award. More details will be posted on the chapter website.
- Liz Heimer, Award and Recognition chair, recently testified at the MN Legislature in support of tobacco legislation.
- Cherylee Sherry, Treasurer, represents MN on both the National SOPHE Board and National Commission for Health Education Credentialing Board.
- Congratulation to all for their great work! If you have good news to share, please let us know.

MN SOPHE Board meetings are held on a monthly basis. All members are welcomed to join in the phone/teleconference calls. The next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2021. Contact Kelly Kunkel, President for more information at: sopheminn@gmail.com

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