IFSW Ambassador Update to the IFSW General Meeting 2022 - Virtual

Once again, I would like to thank the General Meeting and all member associations for providing me with the continued opportunity to serve IFSW.

During this global pandemic, the Ambassador and the Secretary General have communicated as needed.

The Ambassador works on behalf of IFSW's mission and goals. She always serves at the request of the General Meeting and within the policies and priorities set by it. The Ambassador is accountable to the General Meeting, IFSW's highest policy making body.

The appointment was established to officially make use of existing networks, expertise and in depth understanding and experience with IFSW for IFSW's benefit. Upon request, the Ambassador carries out special global assignments and representation for IFSW.

Some of the Ambassador's activities for IFSW have included: representation at meetings, seminars, conferences and events by facilitating important IFSW issues, relationships, and providing organizational presence; promoting the IFSW Friend's Program (founded during my Presidency) to position IFSW to engage in outreach and recruitment of persons and organizations to become supporters of IFSW (involving education, promotion and fund development); providing information, marketing, and public relations via media, workshops, meetings and public speaking with social workers, organizations, governmental agencies, and the public about IFSW. The Ambassador has also performed specific tasks of program and policy significance for IFSW i.e. participation in the evaluation of the Officers' Meeting, the Steering Committee, and the Secretary General, etc. Other service has included work with: the Structure and Operations Committee, Elections Committee, Non-Dues Revenue/Income Development Task Force, Friend's Advisory Committee, IFSW Archives, and other areas/programs.

The General Meeting first appointed me to the role of Ambassador in 1994. This followed a period of 8 years on the Executive Committee as Member, President for North America, and as global President of IFSW. A role description was approved by the 1996 General Meeting.

The Ambassador is committed to performing a meaningful and important role for IFSW at no expense to IFSW.

I look forward to joining you all for our General Meeting in May.

Los Angeles, April, 2022

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