



Australian Association for
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Queensland Branch Report

5 September 2019

AAIMHI activities May - September 2019

1. Improve professional and public recognition

Ewa Bodner is the new IMHAW committee representative for 2020. Thanks to Lauren Porter for her work in the prior year. It was noted that IMHAW will coincide with WAIMH in 2020 and provides a unique opportunity to raise general community membership

2. Educate members and other professionals who work with infants & their families

Sally Watson presented on her work with Mary Dozier's model on 30 August. The day was a great success for bringing local agencies together in a forum to discuss the implications for Sally's talk in supporting children in the care system. A number of recommendations were proposed from the day. Thanks to Suzie Lewis for organizing and chairing the day and for the forthcoming report on the day.

3. Promote and disseminate Research

LOC for WAIMH (Australia wide) met on 26 August to discuss the pre conference institute.

4. Advocate in the interests of infant mental health

Most of our energy looks likely to centre around preparations for WAIMH in June 2020.

5. Develop professional competencies, standards and recognition

No new information here.

6. Provide information and services to members

Suzy Lewis has worked up a budget and proposal which has the support of the committee to provide sponsored membership to two Indigenous members for two years, including attendance at WAIMH. We will look at how this links with the National strategy. AAIMH general scholarships received no nominations and the local branch is investigating the best way forward to promote membership scholarships.

Communication strategies for local members are an ongoing discussion.

7. Liaise with national affiliated and international colleagues

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Once again WAIMH is the dominate feature in this space.

8. Enhance good governance

The state AGM was held with president and treasurer reports provided.

Membership Report:

- Queensland branch currently waiting on an update after renewals but at last count was 54 members.

Financial Report:

A profit of \$3,116.41 was recorded for the year.