Here's the latest news from the WFRN.

1. Congrats to the First Slate of WFRN Officers

**President:** Ellen Ernst Kossek, Purdue University  
**Vice-President:** Laura den Dulk, Erasmus University  
**Secretary Treasurer:** Jennifer E. Swanberg, University of Kentucky  
(University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill; 7-1-2012-to 6-30-2013)

**New Executive Officers:** Michelle J. Budig, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; Susan J. Lambert, University of Chicago.

**Current Executive Officers include:** Lotte Bailyn, Kathleen Christensen, Kathleen Gerson, Heidi Hartmann, and Monique Valcour.

Thanks to Tammy Allen and Janet Gornick for their participation in the committee from 2011-2012, and to all the highly-qualified nominees for their willingness to get involved with WFRN.

The WFRN **Bylaws** were approved.

2. Weekly News & Events Feed Plus Monthly Work and Family Commons (WFC) Update

To help you stay informed on the latest work and family research, **members** now receive both a Weekly News & Events Feed as well as a Monthly update with submissions to the WFRN repository, the Work and Family Commons (WFC). Share your research by posting to the **News Feed** and **Calendar** or deposit your scholarly works (both final and in process) to the WFC.
3. Early Career Scholars Program Seeks Applicants

We are currently seeking applicants for the 2013-2014 Early Career Work and Family Scholars Program. Fifteen scholars will be selected for the program. We appreciate your assistance in getting the word out to potential applicants, or consider applying. To date, 50 scholars have benefitted from resources provided through this program.

To be eligible, candidates must have received their doctorate in 2010 or later, and have yet to progress into tenured or secure senior level positions. Those anticipating receipt of their doctoral degree by June 2013 are eligible to apply. Application is not restricted on the basis of location. Recipients of the award will be expected to become members of the WFRN. To apply for the Early Career Scholars Program, go here.

Questions about the program can be addressed to the program director, Stephen Sweet. The deadline for receipt of applications is June 1, 2013.

4. Save the Date For the 2014 WFRN Conference

The 2014 WFRN Conference will be held June 19-21, 2014 at the Millennium Hotel in New York City. More details to follow.

5. Update on WFRN Committees

The Communications Committee Chair is Nora Spinks, Vanier Institute of the Family, Ontario, Canada. See members here.

The Repository Committee Chair is Noelle Chesley, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. See members and mission.
The Membership Committee Chair has changed to Krista Lynn Minnotte, University of North Dakota. See members here.

The International Committee, chaired by Boris Ben Baltes (Wayne State University), is working with the International Community Work and Family Conference organizers to host selected July 2013 conference sessions at member universities. They have also created a list of international websites.

The Outreach/External Affairs Committee, chaired by Jennifer Swanberg (University of Kentucky, University of North Carolina: 7-1-2012-to 6-30-2013) is working on a project to increase WFRN's reach to practitioners and policy makers. See members and mission.

6. New Features on the WFRN Website

- View WFC submissions on your Personal Profile and Member Directory

Previously, members could see their own WFC submissions by clicking on a left sidebar link (My WFC Submissions) when they were logged in. Now in addition, submissions to the WFC will be seen on your Member Directory Page as well as your Personal Profile.

- Search the Member Directory

To help you network with your global colleagues, the Member Directory is searchable by state, or province; country; organization; specialty area; and discipline. The search results are returned using the information in the personal profiles created by the members. Update your profile so you are included in search results!
Want to learn more about the features of the WFRN website?

Join Judi for a 1-hour phone tutorial:

- Thursday, March 7 at 11 am EST
- Monday, March 11 at 2 pm EST

Contact us at workandfamily@sas.upenn.edu to sign up!

7. The **Fifth International Community, Work and Family Conference** Will Take Place on 17-19, July 2013 at The University of Sydney in Sydney, Australia.

We hope that you will attend our "sister" conference in 2013. The WFRN and ICWF conferences are scheduled for alternating years to maximize opportunities for participation in both meetings. To register, go [here](#). WFRN members receive a 10% discount.

[Call for abstracts](#) closes on February 28, 2013.

8. Paying 2013 WFRN Membership Dues

Thanks to many who have paid their 2013 WFRN Membership dues. If you haven't done so (especially Sponsoring and Founding members who made a 3-year commitment to WFRN), please do so immediately.

You will need a [login](#) to pay your dues. If you have a login, click on the blue login box in the top right hand corner of the home page to get started. If you've forgotten your password, click on the tab on the login page for resetting your password. The "Request new password" option is the 3rd tab to the right under User account.

Once you are logged in, you can purchase your membership [here](#).
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It's exciting to see how much the WFRN has grown since our inception in November 2010!

Sincerely,

Jerry Jacobs, Executive Officer

Judi Casey, Director