



Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

APAHC: The Voice of Psychology in Academic Health Centers

Formerly the Association of Medical School Psychologists (AMSP)

Section VIII, Society of Clinical Psychology/Division 12 of APA

Draft MINUTES of the September Phone Conference

Wednesday, September 28, 2005

Board Members Present: Jeff Baker, Barbara Cubic, Jerry Leventhal, Lynn Peterson, Rick Seime, Steve Tovian, Danny Wedding, Carl Zimet, John Linton (2006-2012 Board Member)

Absent: Barry Hong, Ron Rozensky, Cheryl King

Open Section

A. Review of Agenda

Roll call was taken and Dr. Leventhal discussed the planned agenda.

B. Treasurer's Report and Update on Membership

Prior to the teleconference Dr. Tovian informed the Board that from September 1 to the present, he received 13 checks for 2006 Dues totaling \$735.00 (1 student). No donations have been received in the month of September. The current status of the treasury was as follows:

\$8,834.00 in our checking account;

\$1,298.81 in our donations/savings;

All bills to present have been paid.

Dr. Tovian indicated that he is preparing to complete tax forms for Division 12 and to contact our new Treasurer to transfer books before 12/31/05. Dr. Leventhal requested that Dr. Tovian also prepare a 2006 budget in concert with the incoming Treasurer.

Ms. Peterson indicated that she has received numerous 2006 dues electronically but could not report the official numbers at this time.

C. Awards

The Board agreed that the awards for teaching and research should be named as follows:

Ivan Mensch Award for Distinguished Contributions to Teaching

Bud Orgel Award for Distinguished Contributions to Research

Drs. Leventhal, Wedding, and Zimet are working with Dr. Paul Nelson of APA to set up a tribute for Ivan Mensch to occur at the 2006 APA convention. The tribute would be entitled "Ivan Mensch: The Man and His Work" and would be chaired by Joe Matarrazo. Drs. Jack Carr and Paul Nelson have also agreed to speak and efforts are being made to contact Dr. Annette Brodsky to ask her to speak as well.

D. Name Change

As the official name of the organization was changed to the Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers (APAHC) Drs. Baker and Leventhal have finalized new letterhead

for the organization and Dr. Wedding's staff created new logos. Dr. Leventhal will distribute the new letterhead within a day or two.

E. Banking Arrangements

The Board discussed whether the organization should establish a stable, physical banking location rather than having the bank location change with each change in treasurer. Discussion ensued about whether the most logical location for a physical bank would be Colorado, which is the location of our Administrative Officer, Ms. Lynn Peterson. This would be a further step to assure greater stability, less work, and reduced confusion for APAHC. The Treasurer would still write checks, track income and expenses, prepare the budget and other reports for the Board, receive bank statements, and maintain oversight of the Administrative Director's banking activities, but the Treasurer would no longer be responsible for finding a bank, setting up bank accounts, etc. Dr. Tovian, Ms. Peterson, and the incoming Treasurer will work on details for this change.

As in the past, the Treasurer will maintain a checking account for general activities and a savings account for memorial funds. While the association currently has two memorial funds (one named for Bud Orgel and one for Ivan Mensh), and others may be added in the future given the graying of psychology, for the current time, the money donated to memorial funds will be placed in one savings account and tracked manually to make life easier for the Treasurer.

F. JCPMS

Dr. Leventhal forwarded to the Board a revised letter of agreement with Springer for final review and the Board approved it. He reminded the Board that Springer wants our input regarding identifying a new editor as Dr. Rozensky wants a replacement in place by June 2006. An 6-member Editor Search Committee is being formed which will be chaired by Dr. Jack Carr. Other individuals already identified to serve on the committee are Drs. Ron Rozensky and Jerry Leventhal. Other possibly committee members might be Drs. Cynthia Belar, Suzanne Bennett-Johnson, Sharon Berry, Nadine Kaslow, John Linton, John Robinson, Ann Streisguth, Danny Wedding or other individuals currently on the JCPMS editorial board. Three will be chosen with effort being made to assure a Committee with appropriate gender balance.

G. National Conference Planning

While Dr. Seime reported that he has received a draft timeline from Ms. Peterson regarding tasks associated with a national conference he has not been able to take active steps to move forward on conference planning and implementation as of this date. Again, the Board discussed the obstacles faced, especially a lack of one or more identified individuals who are able to take a strong leadership role in organizing the conference. Dr. Seime and Ms. Peterson plan to talk after this Board conference call and write. Dr. Seime will draft an e-mail to be sent to the membership calling for volunteers to take lead roles in organizing the conference, e.g. an individual to review abstracts, an individual to solicit exhibitors, an on-site person, etc.

H. Survey on Physicians in Medical School

Dr. Leventhal indicated that individuals from APA, once again, approached him regarding the viability of developing a survey of how physicians view psychologists in medical school settings. Dr. Leventhal spoke with Dr. Tony Mazzaschi, AAMC, regarding the idea who suggested that the survey be sent to a sample of chairs from clinical departments within medical school (e.g. pediatrics, neurology, psychiatry). Dr. Mazzaschi also indicated that he would be able to provide names and addresses if the project moved forward. Dr. Leventhal has spoken with Jessica Kohut who likes the plan. Dr. Hong has agreed to work on the project. Dr. Leventhal will head a committee that will focus on constructing the survey.

The next phone conference will be Wednesday, October 26, 2005 at 5 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted:

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