



Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

BOARD CONFERENCE CALL

Wednesday, May 10, 2006, 5:00-6:00 PM, EST

Minutes

Board Members Present: Jeff Baker, Barbara Cubic, Barry Hong, Cheryl King, Jerry Leventhal, John Linton, Ron Rozensky, Patrick Smith, Danny Wedding **Other Individuals Present:** Bill Robiner (2007 APAHC National Conference, Local Arrangements Chair), Rick Seime (2007 APAHC National Conference) **Absent:** Lisa Opiari-Arrigan, Lynn Peterson

Open Section

A. Review of Agenda

Prior to the meeting role call was taken and Dr. King discussed the planned agenda.

B. Publication Committee/JCPMS Editor Update

Dr. Rozensky provided an update regarding the transition in JCPMS editors. He will continue to serve as the editor through December of 2006 but indicated that the new editor, Dr. Cubic, and her team would need to begin working diligently on reviews and establishing an editorial board to have Volume 14 delivered on time. Dr. Rozensky indicated that the March 2006 issue was late because of type setting problems but the June issue will be on time. He indicated that Springer has the manuscripts for the September issue and he is waiting on three articles detailing the APAHC APA presentations from 2005 to finalize the December 2006 issue. Dr. Rozensky also explained to the Board that manuscripts go on-line immediately after they are accepted and that the publication date is the date they become available on the internet.

Dr. Leventhal is working with Springer to make sure that members are able to access JCPMS on-line. Janice Stern from Springer is supposed to prepare a letter to APAHC members highlighting the benefits of on-line access as members will be able to access back issues on-line. Dr. Cubic emphasized the importance of explaining this effectively to members to avoid frustration about losing a hard copy of the journal. Dr. Cubic also expressed a concern that these steps should have already been taken because members have not received hard copies of the March issue and don't yet know how to access JCPMS on-line. Drs. Leventhal and Baker will expedite this matter.

C. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Smith reported that as of today we have 131 members for 2006. Since April 24, 2006 he has received payments for 15 renewals and Ms. Peterson has received 18 on-line payments. He indicated that 6 previous members stated that they never received a first notice. The Board discussed the importance of doing a hard copy dues notice to avoid these types of concerns. The Board also discussed the importance of establishing a dues process with a timeline that matches APA to be more effective. Therefore, in September of 2006 members will receive a "First Notice" regarding dues for 2007.

D. Membership

Dr. King discussed the fact that APAHC has no formal process for marketing our organization to obtain new members. She thanked Dr. Wedding for a recent write-up he included for APAHC in the Division 12 newsletter. The Board discussed the importance of increasing the organization's visibility at APA and with Divisions 12, 38, 53 and 54.

E. Elections

Dr. King indicated that nominations for the open Board positions have been slow. To date Dr. Ron Brown has been nominated for the position of Division 12 representative and Dr. John Robinson has been nominated for the member-at-large position. No nominations to date have been made for the secretary position. Dr. King indicated that Dr. Lisa Opiari-Arrigan has officially stepped down from her position as member-at-large. Dr. King plans to ask Dr. Rick Handel to fill the recently vacated member-at-large position and will work diligently to try to establish a slate for the upcoming elections.

F. Award Committee

Dr. King asked Dr. Cubic to forward an e-mail to the board about the progress of the Awards Committee as time limits did not allow for this to be discussed today.

G. 2007 APAHC National Conference

Dr. Seime is the 2007 APAHC National Conference Chair and Dr. Robiner is the 2007 APAHC National Conference Local Arrangements Chair. Both have been contact a number of influential AHC psychologists to determine their availability to speak at the conference. Dr. Seime has also talked with Pearsons Assessment to see if they would consider providing some funding for the conference.

Dr. Hong discussed assisting with fund raising and will also explore whether there are some speakers from AAMC which might fit the conference theme. Dr. Baker discussed the possibility of asking Susan Zlotlow from APA about a pre-conference site visitors training day to encourage additional attendance.

The next phone conference will be on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at 5 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted:

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