



Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

The Voice of Psychology in Academic Health Centers

APAHC Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 4, 2013 5:00 P.M. EST

Present on the call: Drs. Cynthia Belar, Cheryl Brosig-Soto, Ron Brown, Barbara Cubic, Kim Dixon, Kelly Foran-Tuller, Donna LaPaglia, Melissa Moore, William Robiner, Catherine Schuman, Amit Shahane, Amanda Whited

1. Welcome and Call to order

2. President Report

- A. Dr. Cubic thanked Dr. Amanda Whited, our Early Career Representative, for her service over the past year. Since this is not an *elected* position Dr. Cubic asked board members for ideas regarding a search for the next Trainee Representative. A decision was made to send an announcement to the APAHC listserv asking for recommendations for the position. A CV and letter of interest will be requested, and Dr. Brown, incoming APAHC president, will review the final candidate's material, along with calling the candidate's advisor for verification.
- B. Drs. Foran and Whited discussed details related to the 1st Early Career Conference Call. Dr. Zeeshan Butt delivered a dynamic talk on *Leadership Engagement at Your Institution at Large*. There were 18 RSVPs and seven actual attendees on the call. Initial feedback from attendees was positive. Drs. Foran and Whited are looking at ways to increase attendee interaction with the presenter and the material on future calls. The second call in the series will be on January 27th, 2014 with Dr. Jeannie Sperry discussing *Mentorship*.
- C. Drs. Cubic and Robiner reviewed an outline submitted by Dr. Butt for web page resources on teaching, writing, conducting research, and grant writing in the Behavioral Sciences. The aim is to post 2-3 resources per topic area. Research resources are being collected by Dr. Zeeshan Butt.
- D. Dr. Schuman reported on APA Programming for the 2014 conference. Due to poor attendee turnout APA is cutting the hours allotted for section/division sessions and asking the Divisions to cross reference speakers and topics in an effort to increase audience turnout. Dr. Brown suggested collaboration between APAHC and Division 38 for possible co-sponsorship of programming. Dr. Belar mentioned that APAHC should consult with Ellen Garrison, APA senior policy officer, regarding other possible sessions that we might co-sponsor with APA. Dr. Schuman will get more information regarding section programming given that the deadline for turning in session topic/presenters is December 10th. On a personal note, Dr. Schuman thanked the board for their support during her recent loss.
- E. Dr. Cubic reported that she received a Social Media draft strategy from Dr. Kristine Diaz. This topic will be discussed on the December 2013 call.
- F. Dr. Belar is asking for APAHC contributions for the **MedEdPORTAL** the goal is for 50 submissions in a year. She reported that they have an editor and are now looking for peer reviewers. If APAHC members are interested they should forward their CV's. Dr. Belar also asked the board for input regarding whether the call for material should be an open or a targeted call? Members indicated that to increase visibility an announcement regarding the MedEdPortal is put on the APAHC webpage. Dr. Brosig-Soto was asked to write an article for the GrandRounds regarding the portal. It was suggested that she speak with the new editor for the MedEdPORTAL prior to writing her piece.
- G. Dr. Cubic indicated that it's time to start thinking about next year's APAHC Award Nominees.

3. **Treasurer Report and Financial Matters** (Dr. Dixon)

There will be a budget for 2014 presented on the December or January call.

The financial report is as follows:

Total: \$43,631.57

4. **Division 12:** Dr. Berry/Lynn Peterson

No updates

5. **CAS:** Drs. Belar and Smith

Dr. Cubic suggested that we cross reference unfilled CFAS representative positions with APAHC members at those institutions as a way to fill these important leadership positions.

6. **Committee Reports/Discussion**

- A. **Bylaws:** Dr. Schuman Dr. Cubic reported that Dr. Schuman has completed an update of the Bylaws and sent them for review/track changes to Drs. Wryobeck, Dixon, and LaPaglia, as their board positions are heavily influenced by the changes. Once this 1st step is complete, the Bylaws will be sent to the board for final review.

B. **Publications and Communications.**

1. Grand Rounds: Dr. Moore just returned from maternity leave and is looking to take a fresh approach to the newsletter by asking for guest editors to participate and to consider new themes which would allow for a broader pool of authors. She is planning to contact Dr. Zeeshan Butt to participate as a guest editor.

2. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*: No updates

C. **Conference Committee: Drs. Shaffer and Shahane**

1. Dr. Shahane reported the new title for the 2015 conference:
Academic Health Centers in the Era of Interprofessionalism: Multifaceted Contributions of Psychology. The conference committee is focused on programming, specifically topics and speaker selection. In addition, the committee is working on fundraising.

7. **No New Business**

Next APAHC Board Conference Call: **December 2, 2013**

Respectfully submitted by: Donna LaPaglia, Psy.D.