



Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

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APAHC Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 6th, 2015 5:00 P.M. EST

Present at APAHC Conference Board Meeting: Drs. Sharon Berry, Alfiee Breland-Noble, Ron Brown, Zeeshan Butt, Barbara Cubic, Laura Daniels, Kelly Foran-Tuller, Cesar Gonzalez, Donna LaPaglia, Laura Shaffer, Amit Shahane, Cathy Schuman, and John Wryobeck

1. **Call to Order and Approval of the Minutes** –February minutes were approved
2. **President's Report:** (Dr. Brown)
 - A. **Membership chair responsibilities and Officer's Handbook:** Dr. Schuman reported that the APAHC Officer's Handbook will be completed and distributed to board members for review by May 4th, 2015.
 - B. **Elections:** Dr. Schuman nominated Dr. Wryobeck for the position of president-elect. Dr. Brown will contact several other recommended psychologists to determine if they are also interested in running for president-elect (as there has to be at least two candidates on the ballot for each position). Once the slate is complete for the president-elect position Dr. LaPaglia will initiate the APAHC election via an online survey, with an election end date of June 11th, 2015.
 - C. **CFAS Representation:** After attending the Spring CFAS meeting Dr. Cubic reported the challenging nature of giving input as a psychologist. In addition, she shared the high cost of the registration fee for these meetings-- \$2,200 and that she covered her fee from her own professional development funds. The board agreed to cover the cost of attending the meeting for our junior CFAS Rep-Dr. Shaffer.
 - D. **Early Career Representative-** Dr. Brown announced that APAHC's newest Early Career Representative is Dr. Leila Isla, from the University of Maryland. Drs. Butt and Foran-Tuller shared their strong endorsement of Dr. Isla based on her participation at this year's APAHC Boot camp, and based on knowledge of her skills during her postdoctoral training experience at the VA CT Healthcare System.
 - E. **Student Representative-**Laura Daniels shared the following updates: there will be a student focused article in the upcoming Grand Rounds; a student survey will be coming out in mid-April designed to elicit student feedback about the APAHC organization; and there is a plan to share survey data with the board in June.
3. **Treasurer's report:** (Dr. Shahane's update via email)

Dr. Shahane reported that all the APAHC conference fees were paid. The CE's are being paid this week.

The financial report is as follows:

Checking Account:	\$38,140.00
Savings Account:	\$10,052.07
Tribute Fund:	\$2,200.90
Total -	\$50,392.99

Updates from our committees:

- A. **Publications and Communications:** (Drs. Gonzalez and Leventhal)
 - i. **Grand Rounds:** Dr. Gonzalez shared some ideas for future newsletters: a possible interview with the new Early Career Representative-Dr. Isla; "Randomly Selected Spotlight" feature; having a postdoc guest editor which could be a rotating position (Laura will advertise this position to the student membership); having a "Curbside Consults" feature which would be brief Q & A on a specific topic or question; utilizing technology by having the newsletter be more interactive—links, real time polling, surveys, etc.

- ii. *JCPMS*: Nothing new to report.
- B. **Research Committee:** (Dr. Leventhal) Dr. Cubic shared that the committee's poster was accepted for the AAMC Workforce Conference and that Dr. Yozwiak will present the poster in Washington DC at the May conference. In addition, Academic Psychiatry will publish the committee's paper on residency shortages.
- C. **Membership Committee:** (Dr. Wryobeck) Dr. Wryobeck reported that we have 268 members, 64 of which are student members. On the subject of the APAHC website-Dr. Wryobeck shared that we currently have three websites-*the general site*, the *private site*, and the *wild apricot site*, which are not connected to one another. At the end of December Division 12 changed their server for a second time without notifying APAHC, resulting in a lack of access to our APAHC files, and overall disruption to our *member's only* site. Drs. Wryobeck and Berry will draft an email communication to the admin person and the new president of Division 12 to prevent this from reoccurring.
- D. **Health Disparities Committee:** (Dr. Breland-Noble)
Dr. Breland-Noble reported that the committee is working on a webinar on research funding with the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) focused on Addressing Disparities. The committee is also initiating collaboration with AAMC Gov't Relations and the Chief Scientific Officer's Office to support initiatives for increasing the diversity of biomedical workforce.
- E. **Awards Committee:** (Dr. Cubic) Dr. Cubic announced that the APAHC award nominations will be going out to APAHC membership via the listserv.

New Business: None

Next APAHC Board Conference Call: **June 1st, 2015 5:00 pm E.S.T.**