



# Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

*The Voice of Psychology in Academic Health Centers*

## **APAHC Board Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, May 6, 2013, 5:00 – 6:00 P.M. EST**

Present on the call: Drs. Cynthia Belar, Alfiee Breland-Noble, Ron Brown, Barbara Cubic, Kim Dixon, Kelly Foran-Tuller, Donna LaPaglia, Gerald Leventhal, William Robiner, Laura Shaffer, Cathy Schuman, Amit Shahane, Patrick Smith, Amanda Whited, John Wryobeck

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes for April 1, 2013
3. **President's Report** (Dr. Cubic)
  - A. Dr. Cubic thanked the awards committees for their work in selecting this year's APAHC Award winners. The awards will be given out at the APA convention in Hawaii, with each winner receiving a plaque. Dr. Robiner did the honors of announcing the winners:
    - **The Bud Orgel Award for Research :**  
Dr. Cheryl King
    - **The Ivan Mensh Award for Teaching:**  
Dr. Steve Tovian
    - **The Joseph D. Matarazzo Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in Academic Health Centers:**  
Dr. Barry Hong
  - B. Dr. Cubic informed the board that she submitted the AAMC Society Request Form for our CFAS representatives-Drs. Belar and Smith.
  - C. Dr. Cubic is actively working on solidifying a meeting space for the board at the APA Convention. Please stay tuned.
  - D. Dr. Wryobeck reported that the APAHC website is up and running for public access; the site is taking new applications and processing payments. However, the member's only side is not up to date. Dr. Wryobeck will be recreating changes to the site as these files are unrecoverable due to legal action between APA and the former website developers.
4. **APAHC Programming at APA** (Dr. Brown)

Dr. Cubic sent the final APAHC Programming for the APA convention in Hawaii to the APAHC listserv. Dr. Brown asked for input from Drs. Cubic and Robiner regarding the symposium at the convention. Dr. Cubic will survey stakeholders to set up a meeting time to discuss symposium planning.
5. **Treasurer's Report** (Dr. Dixon)
  - A. Financial update including Endowment/tribute fund  
The financial report is as follows:

Checking:	\$37,170.17
Savings:	\$10,043.53
Tribute Fund:	<u>\$2,199.05</u>
Total:	\$49,412.75
  - B. Profit/loss from the Nashville Conference  
Profit: \$1,595.15

In addition, tips will be sent to the Hutton staff for the excellent customer service during the conference.

## 6. AAMC

Drs. Robiner, Leventhal, and LaPaglia reported that both posters were well received at the 9th Annual AAMC Workforce Conference. Dr. Cubic thanked APA for its support for travel and registration expenses. Many valuable connections were made with professionals from medicine and other disciplines. Clese Erikson welcomed our participation in the conference and encouraged psychology to join these national discussions on workforce development. Dr. Shipman informed us that he sees a place for us at the *Primary Care Workgroup* that meets a few times a year. Drs. Leventhal, Robiner, and LaPaglia all felt that the APAHC research committee should plan to attend this conference yearly, continuing to present research in an effort to raise our visibility within medical settings. Dr. Leventhal indicated that APAHC should consider sending junior level, for learning and exposure purposes, and *top* senior APAHC talent, for visibility and strength to this meeting. Dr. Belar asked the group of attendees to write a summary for the APAHC newsletter as well as possibly writing a piece for the monitor.

## 7. Committee Reports/Discussion

- A. Conference Committee (Drs. Shaffer and Shahane)
  - i. Dr. Shahane solicited board members for speaker suggestions for the Atlanta 2015 conference. He indicated that they are increasing the size of the conference committee to increase efficiency. The committee is in the process of finalizing the contract with the hotel in Atlanta. This will be sent to Drs. Cubic and Brown for review. Dr. Shaffer asked board member to email them with topic/speaker ideas.
- B. Research Committee (Dr. Leventhal)
  - i. Dr. Leventhal reported that he would like to meet with Dr. Breckler's APA Workforce Studies group while at the convention, as this was helpful in the past. He will communicate directly with Dr. Breckler to set this up.
- C. Membership Committee (Dr. Wryobeck)
  - i. Dr. Wryobeck suggested ways to increase efficiency and to strengthen the infrastructure and the relationship between two APAHC work groups: the *website/communications group* and the *membership committee*. Dr. Cubic will convene a small group discussion to plan for organizational change with Drs. Robiner, Brown, and Wryobeck.
  - ii. Dr. Wryobeck reported on active membership:

Total Members	211
Students	21

(Of note: 52% of nonstudent members are also registered members of Div 12)
  - iii. It was agreed that we need a systematic plan for recruiting psychologists from other countries to join APAHC. Dr. Wryobeck indicated that once the Membership Committee reorganization is complete, he will be in a better position to focus on the issue of recruiting foreign psychologists for APAHC membership. The previous proposal to recruit international members by inviting authors who publish in *JCPMS* remains on hold until a plan is in place.
- D. Trainee and Early Career Initiatives (Drs. Foran and Whited)
  - i. Dr. Whited reported that there was a minor road block to securing a list of names of early career members. Dr. Wryobeck suggested sending out the early career conference information and member could self select. In addition, it was suggested that the CV Review at the APA Convention be held immediately after the APAHC presentations in the same room for convenience.
- E. Publications and Communication: Drs. Leventhal, Moore, Wryobeck
  - i. Journal/*JCPMS*: Nothing to report.
  - ii. *Grand Rounds* Newsletter Spring issue will be distributed for review.

## 8. Updates from Task Force on Diversity and Health Disparities (Dr. Breland-Noble)

- A. Dr. Breland-Noble indicated that the Task Force will be offering programming at the APA convention- a conversation hour jointly sponsored by Division 12 Sections 6 and 8 and Division 35 entitled, "Navigating the Academy: A Conversation hour for Women of Color Trainees"

- B. Dr. Breland-Noble's group developed a Tip Sheet for Racially Diverse Women Psychology Trainees and Early Career Psychologists
- C. Dr. Breland-Noble has been asked by The Social Aetiology of Mental Illness [SAMI] Program at the Center for Addiction and Mental Health at the University of Toronto to plan a webinar for their series on diversity issues.

**9. New Business**

No new business

Next APAHC Board Conference Call: **June 3, 2013; 5-6 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by: Donna LaPaglia, Psy.D.