

## Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers

The Voice of Psychology in Academic Health Centers

APAHC Board Meeting Minutes Monday, September 8th, 2014 5:00 P.M. EST

Present on the call: Drs. Alfiee Breland-Noble, Cheryl Brosig-Soto, Ron Brown, Zeeshan Butt, Laura Daniels, Kelly Foran-Tuller, Donna LaPaglia, Gerald Leventhal, Melisa Moore, Amit Shahane, Laura Shaffer, Catherine Schuman, Patrick Smith

- 1. Call to Order and Approval of the Minutes –August minutes were approved
- 2. President's Report: (Dr. Brown)
  - A. **APAHC Mentoring Program-** Drs. Brosig-Soto and Butt are interested in resurrecting the APAHC Mentoring Program. Student Rep Laura Daniels gathered information about the program from past Student Rep Dr. Amanda Whited and from Dr. Cheryl King, past chair of the Mentoring program, and will pass this along to Drs. Brosig-Soto and Butt to determine: *What is the program?* and *What does the program need to run?* The Plan is for Drs. Brosig-Soto and Butt to get back to the board on an upcoming call regarding their thoughts about the program.
  - B. *Officer Handbook*-Dr.Schuman reported that it is being worked on with input from Drs. Wryobeck and Shahane regarding APAHC positions-*webmaster, membership chair, treasurer.* Once this step is complete the draft will be circulated to board members for review, and voted on by the end of the calendar year.
  - C. Lynn Peterson leaving Division 12- Dr. Sharon Berry is working with Central Office, and Drs Amit Shahane (Treasurer) and John Wryobeck (Membership) to determine the best plan for collecting dues as part of a succession plan when current administrator, Lynn Peterson, ends her tenure with Div. 12 in early 2015. The proposal will be circulated to board members for review and discussion as soon as information is available (October/November).
  - D. Potential appointment of Dr. Gonzalez as Newsletter Editor: Dr. Brown asked the board for their input regarding Dr. Gonzalez filling the Editor's position. Dr. Shahane endorsed the candidate stating that he is a dynamic psychologist and would be a good fit with the organization. The board voted unanimously in favor of his appointment. Dr. Brown will send Dr. Gonzalez an official letter regarding the appointment and will invite him to join us for the October conference call.
- 3. Treasurer's report: (Dr. Shahane's update via email)

The financial report	t is as follows:
Checking Account:	\$37,668.94
Savings Account:	\$10,050.25
Tribute Fund:	\$2,200.52
Total -	\$49,919.71

- 4. Student Rep Planning: (Laura Daniels):
  - A. Laura indicated that there is a student rep for the webinar series. She will send an email to the students regarding all upcoming APAHC opportunities. Also, on the *JCPMS Student Reviewer Program*: Dr. Leventhal shared that a student reviewer completed the first article review with a mentor. Also, a student reviewer collaborated on a written piece for the APAHC newsletter on this program.

## Updates from our committees:

- A. Publications and Communications: (Drs. Moore and Leventhal)
  - i. Grand Rounds: Dr. Moore will help facilitate Dr. Gonzalez's transition into his new role following notification from Dr. Brown.

- ii. *JCPMS:* Dr. Leventhal reported that he is recruiting for an associate editor for the journal. The ideal candidate will have experience in manuscript reviewing and in training. In addition, Dr. Leventhal spoke about contacting APAHC award winners and presenters at the upcoming APAHC conference to request submissions *JCPMS* following the conference.
- B. **Conference Committee**: (Drs. Shaffer and Shahane)
  - i. Dr. Shaffer consulted with the board regarding inviting the former US Surgeon General-Dr. Satcher to the conference as a keynote speaker. Dr. Shaffer shared that Dr. Satcher's work and expertise align well with our Interprofessionalism Conference Theme that his national presence serves to broaden our conference beyond psychology and APA in a positive way. Dr. Breland-Noble also shared that Dr. Satcher is well respected in the Atlanta area and that his participation in a past panel demonstrated his expertise and passion for issues regarding health disparities and issues around diversity in the health workforce. Dr. Brown asked board members to vote privately via email to secretary Dr. LaPaglia regarding their feelings regarding paying a stipend for Dr. Satcher to present at the APAHC Conference. Dr. LaPaglia will share the outcome of this vote promptly with Dr.Brown and Dr. Shaffer. Other conference report outs included: all the ads have gone out; there is one conference registrant at the time of this call (and it's not a board member); and that there is a stellar line-up of speakers.

## C. Research Committee: (Dr. Leventhal)

- i. Dr. Leventhal reported that the research committee's meeting at the APA Convention with the Center for Workforce Studies went very well. Dr. Cathy Grus, from APA's education directorate, was present for this meeting and shared information regarding Health Services. In addition, APAHC's involvement in the workforce study survey project was discussed.
- D. Membership Committee: (Dr. Wryobeck) No new report
- E. Awards Committee: (Dr. Cubic) No new report

## **New Business:**

Next APAHC Board Conference Call: October 6, 2014 5:00 pm E.S.T.