

**CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE PSYCHOLOGIE**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 15, 2003

Sheraton Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario

Present : Patrick O'Neill, President
Abraham Ross, Past-President
John Arnett, President-Elect
Lorraine Breault, Director
Doris Hanigan, Director
Ian Nicholson, Director
Bob Robinson, Director
Sean Rourke, Director
Jennifer Stolz, Director

Present Without a Vote: John Service, Executive Director
Karen Cohen, Associate Executive Director
Marie-Christine Pearson, Executive Assistant and
Recording Secretary

Regret: Sandra Pyke, Director (Dr. Pyke attended the CCDP meeting)

Procedural Note: Vote recorded as CARRIED or DEFEATED do not imply
unanimity. The results are minuted when requested.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

The President welcomed the new Board.

1. Approval of Agenda

2.1 Consent Agenda

The President received the Consent Agenda and asked the Board to identify those motions to be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Working Agenda.

Motions 1, 2a, 2b, 2c, and 3 were left on the Consent Agenda.

MOVED (Breault/Hanigan) and **CARRIED** that the Consent Agenda be adopted.

Motion 1 – Section on Disaster and Trauma By-Laws

Adopted Motion 1 – That the Board of Directors of the CPA approve the By-laws of the Section on Disaster and Trauma as circulated.

*****ACTION*****

**Chair of the Committee on Sections to write a letter to the
Chair of the CPA Section on Disaster and Trauma.**

Motion 2 – Accreditation Panel Appointments

a) Chair Accreditation Panel

Adopted Motion 2 – That the Board of Directors of the Canadian Psychological Association reappoint panel member, Sam Mikail, to a second term as Chair of the Accreditation Panel.

Adopted Motion 2b – That the Board of Directors of the Canadian Psychological Association appoint Dr. Robert McIlwraith from the University of Manitoba as a member of the Accreditation Panel.

Adopted Motion 2c – That the Board of Directors of the Canadian Psychological Association appoint Dr. Teréz Rétfalvi from the Université de Moncton as a member of the Accreditation Panel.

Motion 3 – Membership of Committee on Ethics

Adopted Motion 3 – That the Board of Directors approve the membership of the Committee on Ethics for 2003 and 2004 as follows :

Dr. Carole Sinclair – Chair

Lee Handy

Ivan Zinger

Pierre L.J. Ritchie

Denise Lawson

Tom Strong

Jean Pettifor

Cannie Stark

Ian Nicholson (ex-officio)

2.2 Working Agenda

MOVED (Hanigan/Ross) and **CARRIED** that the working agenda be approved with additions.

3. STRATEGIC PLANNING

Following the pre-convention Board meeting discussion regarding strategic planning, a new mission statement and objectives were circulated to the Board for discussion.

The need to better integrate and redistribute the duties entailed in the science, practice and education portfolios was noted.

4. MISSION STATEMENT AND OBJECTIVES

The Canadian Psychological Association advances and promotes psychology for the benefit of all.

Objectives :

- 1) Improve the psychological health and welfare of all Canadians;
- 2) Promote excellence and innovation in psychological research, education and practice;
- 3) Promote the advancement, development, dissemination and application of psychological knowledge;
- 4) Provide high quality services to members.

MOVED (Breault/Rourke) and **CARRIED** that CPA have a theme on health promotion for 2003-2004.

*******ACTION******* **John Arnett, Lorraine Breault and Sean Rourke to develop a proposal for the 2004 CPA theme “Health Promotion” to be presented to the October Board meeting in Saskatoon.**

5. VACANT SEAT ON THE BOARD

The President reported that due to the resignation of Board Member Theresa Kline , the Board was required to decide whether to appoint someone to fill the seat.

The Board agreed to fill the position until the next election and that the person be an I/O psychologist. The President suggested three possibilities. These were discussed, and it was agreed that all were suitable.

*******ACTION******* **Dr. O’Neill was asked to approach potential candidates, beginning with Dr. Wendy Josephson, and to bring recommendations to the Board as soon as possible.**

6. CPAP ADVOCACY FUND

Dr. Breault reported that a proposal will be submitted to the CPAP meeting of June 15, 2003, to hire someone for two days a week to work on the promotion of psychology in Canada through the following projects: Psychology Canada Leadership Forum, January 2004, Psychology Month to begin in February, 2004 and the co-ordination of advocacy materials from across the provinces to be shared through a web site with all CPAP members. The Board agreed to support the project.

The importance of psychology month including the three pillars of science, education and practice was stressed.

7. CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Robinson briefly reported on the Convention Committee meeting. The need to have a policy on scheduling and specific instructions from the Board regarding deadlines of submissions was noted.

*******ACTION******* **The Convention Committee develop a scheduling policy and specific instructions regarding submission deadlines.**

*******ACTION***** Welcoming ceremony : no reading of names of newly elected fellows who do not attend the welcoming ceremony.**

*******ACTION***** The Executive Assistant to contact newly elected Fellows prior to the Convention to confirm their attendance at the Welcoming Ceremony.**

There was discussion regarding the relationship with sections and the need to find a creative way to rebuild this relationship. The Convention Coordinator was encouraged to direct any problems from any sections to the Chair of the Committee on Sections.

8. SECTIONS MEETING REPORT

Dr. Robinson briefly reported on the meeting with Sections and the Sections Business Meeting.

It was suggested that the Sections' Business Meeting be held before their meeting with the Board of Directors. This will allow Section Chairs to discuss issues between themselves before they meet with the Board. The formation of a Council of Sections was discussed.

*******ACTION***** Board Committee reports to be circulated to Section Chairs.**

*******ACTION***** Drs. Arnett, Rourke and Robinson to develop a strategic plan regarding better communication with sections and submit it to the October 2003 Board meeting in Saskatoon.**

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Publications

9.1.1 Controversial Papers

Dr. Hanigan reported from the Publications Committee meeting. She noted that there is a possibility of a controversy regarding an article to be published in CP. Dr. Hannigan underlined the importance that the Board know about this issue and the Association be prepared to respond to the media. The President indicated he was aware of the paper, and at the editor's request had written a commentary to be published at the same time.

9.2 Publications Policy

Dr. Hanigan reported that CP has a backlog of 900 pages. She posed several important questions such as how to handle a backlog created when there is a change of editors; whether award recipients' presentations should be published in a separate issue of CP or in Synopsis; whether such presentations should be peer reviewed; and.

whether CPA should publish all citations for award winners instead of the four main awards?

Following discussion, the Board agreed to consider a special allocation of pages for the particular backlog situation that CP now faces. The Board felt that invited addresses of award winners should continue to be published in regular issues of CP, since it is our journal of record, and that normally they would not be subject to peer review. It was noted that award winners' views have already been deemed worthy of publication by virtue of the honours bestowed on them.

*******ACTION***** Dr. Service to consider the financial implications of a possible one-time allocation of pages.**

*******ACTION***** Dr. O'Neill and Dr. Service to report the Board's view to the editor, and to examine this issue further and report back to the Board.**

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 25-26, 2003 in Saskatoon at the Bessborough Hotel. The Ambassador Program will be on Friday, October 24.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was **MOVED** (Stolz/Hanigan) and **CARRIED** that the meeting be adjourned at 12 :00 noon.