

## **BOARD MINUTES**

### **February 2, 2017**

Attendance: Dr. Kelley was absent.

**President's Comments:** **Jim Dahmann** shared the Bylaws Review Subcommittees report and discussed the attached Recommendations for Changes. The language will be made clearer with this revision since most of the confusion/interpretation comes from the vague language contained. Dr. Role-Warren made Motion to include the suggested recommendations and Dr. Schneider seconded, the Motion carried without opposition.

Admin Title – Dr. Yaeger shared suggested titles with the group via email. Dr. Yaeger tallied said results and the title of Executive Coordinator will be used for the admin position since that more closely describes the duties of said position.

**Treasurer's Report:** **Cori Yaeger** shared the attached report, along with a comparison between past years and the proposed 2017 Budget. Dr. Schneider made Motion that we accept the proposed budget and Dr. Gutzwiller seconded the Motion. The Motion carried with no opposition. Dr. Yaeger shared NAMI's thank you note for our \$100 donation. We need to upgrade Quicken and the Board agreed with that expense as on-going business maintenance.

As part of the Treasurer's report, a discussion on advertising occurred. Since we'd received a sponsor for the March workshop of \$1000 and that was generated from the ad in our Directory, work will begin on soliciting ads so that we have the money ahead of time to print the Directory in 2018. Printed Directories will be mailed to businesses (attorneys, physicians, etc. who use it for referral purposes). Insurance companies, investment people, were thought to be good contacts to solicit ads from.

**Programs:** **Gary Schneider** shared the following:

CSWMFT Provider Status – We have received some leads on a potential LISW but none for a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) to assist in the application process to obtain provider status with the Ohio Counselor Social Worker Marriage and Family Therapist Board (CSWMFT). Requirements for these would be input based on program content and their resume would be included in application packet. Free or discounted CE opportunities will be offered as incentive. Dr. Yaeger is reaching out to the contact at Lindner and will keep us posted.

2/6/17 – Dr. Erika Pearl Messer. We have 40 people registered.

3/31/17 – Eating Disorder Workshop – Wagner & Bloch sponsorship of \$1000 received to offset workshop costs. We will reach out to the speakers to see if they'd like to have a table w/ brochures, etc. Attendees would welcome the resources.

5/3/17 – Dr. Richard Sears on ACT is all lined up.

9/11/17 – Dr. Cori Yaeger on gender update has been confirmed.

10/13/17 – Dr. Renairdy's expenses will be covered by CAPP + her speaker fee.

12/4 or 12/6 – December dinner meeting w/ ? New speakers/topics were discussed as Dr. Shatz has not confirmed availability.

Dr. Greenwell suggested something on Diversity and even possibly collaborating with the Association of Black Psychologists in the area. Dr. Schneider mentioned a connection with Roland West. Other topics: autism/life span, sleep/CBT insomnia, Tom Sullivan on concussion (Dr. Gutzwiller will mention to him to gauge his interest).

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Dr. Schneider requested the Board be thinking of topics for 2018 programs. A spring ethics workshop will be pursued as well as Dr. Chard's two day workshop in the Fall. It was thought advertising and save the dates would be key to promote Dr. Chard's workshop.

**OPA: Sarah Greenwell** shared:

- Thank you to all who helped stop SB366. She warned that it is going to be coming back around this legislative year. Dr. Dahmann shared an example from KY that Dr. Greenwell asked him to document to help others understand the issues.
- The medical marijuana bill went through. It contains language saying that it is appropriate treatment for PTSD and TBI. OPA is working on a response as they are extremely concerned when legislation dictates treatment that they should definitely consult literature and professional community. OPA has huge concerns with the conditions of this bill.
- OPA Diversity Committee working on a statement on Islamophobia.
- Death Penalty Bill – never made it to Senate floor. (If you are deemed mentally ill at the time of your crime you cannot get the death penalty (SB162). It is back and going up in the House.
- The LGBT Committee is working on a trans bill – businesses can enforce own restroom rules. Public schools and governments force persons into the restroom that they biologically identify with. The Senate in TX has passed this bill. The TX psychological association did not oppose. NC was not successful in squashing it.
- OPA news: membership # is at 1,381. Revolving membership @ renewal date. Convention is going live this week. Brochures are out next week. Psychological Board going live online as well. MCE data on line and updating now. Only 2 failed the oral exam. It is thought there is better information on how to study, how much to study and what to study. 3 main bills OPA worked on passed! SB129 (prior authorization); SB240 (extend the age of federal foster care from 18 to 21); and SB332 (infant mortality).

**Website: Joanne Gutzwiller** reported that updates continue as needed. Changes will be made for those members who have not renewed their membership dropping their listings. Ticket sales are now live for the March 31 workshop. It has been advertised on Facebook and Twitter. We are offering a \$70 student rate and will prepare flyers to the programs. Dr. Greenwell offered to get emails so we can advertise this. More conversation around having a student board member and reaching out to area programs occurred.

**Insurance Managed Care: Teri Role-Warren** provided issues discussed on the most recent Insurance Committee call:

- Health panels – difficulty of getting on them. Medical Mutual for example not keeping psychologists on their plans. Huge deductibles and no in network providers. In effect this denies access.
- Audits – lots of concern about the # of audits increasing. Audits are around what it costs to provide care. Lot more of those coming up to set costs for people to buy the insurance plans. They request the entire chart. Can't violate HIPAA so keeping 2 sets of records is key. Redact if necessary. They are requesting a 3 day turnaround. They are looking at medical necessity, looking for progress. APA has a good article on what to do.

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- Audit toolkit update. This toolkit is being designed to help psychologists have documentation forms to prepare them for potential audits. The committee's intent is to make the toolkit very practical and usable, while fulfilling the requirements of all insurance companies, including Medicare and Medicaid. The purpose of most audits is to ensure medical necessity for treatment. The forms to be provided in the event of an audit should only provide the minimal information required, so as to not violate HIPAA privacy guidelines. These records should have no psychotherapy content other than diagnosis, symptom and treatment plans. Psychotherapy notes should be kept separate, and not be released in these audits to preserve patient confidentiality. The insurance committee's consensus is that for an audit, recordkeeping should document only start/stop times, diagnosis, treatment plan, symptoms, functional status, medication, and frequency of visits. Further study will continue to properly prepare the toolkit.

**Membership Marketing:** Dr. Kelley was absent.

**Social Committee: Tom Heitkemper** talked about April 7 coffee at the Sleepy Bee in Blue Ash from 7 to 9 a.m. There is a private room reserved. Regarding the picnic, Dr. Heitkemper looked into the park in Newtown but insurance requirements were off putting. Dr. Heitkemper will return looking at Hamilton County parks. Laura will have some flyers at the February dinner meeting about the coffee.

**Membership: Patty Eiler-Sims** – Discussion occurred around getting our new members to return a phone call so we can learn more about them than what is on their applications. Dr. Eiler-Sims has tried calling, emailing etc. Tells them we want to do a spotlight in the Newsletter to highlight their practice but does not get return calls.

**New Business:**

Website contact regarding a program at Springer School – we will respond that they can advertise their workshop on our website for the fee of \$50.

The next Board meeting is **March 9 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Children's location.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Wilson, Administrative Assistant