

## **Minutes**

### **AMERICAN PSYCHOANALYTIC ASSOCIATION**

**Meeting of the Executive Council  
Thursday, February 7, 2019  
New York Hilton Hotel, New York, NY**

Lee Jaffe, Ph.D., President & Chair  
Ralph Fishkin, D.O., Secretary

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### **REPRESENTATIVE COUNCILORS**

American Institute for Psychoanalysis  
No representative

Association for Psychoanalytic Medicine  
No representative present

Atlanta Psychoanalytic Society  
M. Jane Yates, Ph.D.

Austin/San Antonio Psychoanalytic Society  
JoAnn Ponder, Ph.D.

Berkshire Psychoanalytic Society for Psychoanalysis  
Lyn Yonack, MSW

Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute  
Michael Dvorkin, Ed.D.

Chicago Psychoanalytic Society  
Ellen Rosenberg, Ph.D.

Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Society and Institute  
Peter Kotcher, M.D.

Cleveland Psychoanalytic Center  
Laura Steinberg, M.D. (alt.)

Contemporary Freudians in APsaA  
Fonya Helm, Ph.D.

Dallas Psychoanalytic Center  
Marc Litle, M.D.

Denver Psychoanalytic Society  
Benjamin P. Green, M.D.

Florida Psychoanalytic Society  
Julio Calderon, M.D.

Greater Kansas City-Topeka Psychoanalytic Center  
Bonnie J. Buchele, Ph.D.

Houston Psychoanalytic Society  
Felecia Powell-Williams, Ed.D., LPC-S, RPT/S

Long Island Psychoanalytic Society  
No representative

Michigan Psychoanalytic Society  
Margaret Walsh, Ph.D.

Minnesota Psychoanalytic Society and Institute  
Harold J. Steiger, Ph.D.

New Center for Psychoanalysis  
Elena Bezzubova, Ph.D.

New Orleans-Birmingham Psychoanalytic Center  
Gunther Perdigao, M.D.

New York Psychoanalytic Society and Institute  
Maxine Fenton Gann, Ph.D.

Oregon Psychoanalytic Center  
Constance Jackson, M.D. (alt)

PINE Psychoanalytic Center  
Alexandra K. Rolde, M.D. (alt.)

Pittsburgh Psychoanalytic Center  
Stuart D. Hirsch, M.D.

Psychoanalytic Association of New York  
Arthur Lew, M.D.

Psychoanalytic Center of Philadelphia  
Lana Fishkin, M.D. (alt.)

Psychoanalytic Center of the Carolinas  
David Moore, Ph.D.

Saint Louis Psychoanalytic Society  
Phoebe Cirio, MSW.

San Diego Psychoanalytic Center  
Timothy Rayner, M.D.

San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis  
No representative present

Seattle Psychoanalytic Society and Institute  
Sandra Walker, M.D.

Southwest Psychoanalytic Society  
Richard Gottlieb, M.D., Ph.D.

Tampa Bay Psychoanalytic Society  
Elise W. Snyder, M.D.

Virginia Psychoanalytic Society  
No representative present

Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis  
David Cooper, Ph.D.

Western New England Psychoanalytic Society  
No representative

William Alanson White Psychoanalytic Society  
Seth Aronson, Psy.D.

Wisconsin Psychoanalytic Society  
Valerie Laabs-Siemon, M.S.

Professional Registered Parliamentarian  
Rod G. Davidson, PRP

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks – Dr. Jaffe

The meeting was called to order at 8:18 am. Dr. Jaffe welcomed everyone and introduced the officers including the new Councilors elected to the Executive Committee, Tom Newman (Executive Director), Tina Faison (Recorder) and the Parliamentarian, Rod Davidson.

2. Secretary's Report – Dr. Fishkin

A. Roll Call

Dr. Fishkin called the roll. 44 members of the Executive Council were present who are entitled to vote, thus establishing a quorum.

B. Approval of Agenda

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the agenda for the meeting was approved.

C. Notice of Proxies

The Secretary reported that 398 proxy ballots were received for the Meeting of Members on Friday, February 8, 2019.

D. Approval of Minutes of June 21, 2018 Executive Council Meetings

The chair asked for corrections to the minutes of the Executive Council meeting on June 21, 2018 which were posted online on September 6, 2018 and were also posted in the back of the meeting room. Since there were no corrections, the minutes were approved as circulated.

E. Consent Calendar

1. Disaffiliation of the Birmingham Psychoanalytic Study Group.

The Executive Council voted to disaffiliate the Birmingham Psychoanalytic Study Group as the Study Group does not exist anymore. The activities of the Study Group have been incorporated into New Orleans-Birmingham Psychoanalytic Center.

2. Sunsetting of the Budget Advisory Committee

The members of the Executive Council Budget Advisory Committee recommended sunsetting their Committee. The original purpose of the Committee was to improve the flow of information regarding APsaA's budget development and the members of the Executive Council. The new structure of the Executive Committee, with four of the 8 members elected directly by the Executive Council, appears to make the Advisory Committee redundant.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Council Budget Advisory Committee was sunset.

F. Membership Update

Currently the Association has 2,904 members. By category, there are:

- 1,198 Active Members
- 1,232 Senior / Life Members
- 423 Candidate Members
- 18 Academic Associate Candidates
- 33 Academic Associates

Over the course of the year since the February 2018 Meeting, the following changes in membership have occurred:

- 95 Active Members became Senior Members
- 42 members have died
- 84 members have resigned
- 19 members reinstated their membership
- 15 Candidate Members and 4 Academic Associate Candidates were dropped because they are no longer candidates in training.
- We gained 65 new Active Members and 76 new Candidate Members over the February & June 2018 meetings.

Effective at this meeting, we will have the following new members:

- 62 New Candidate Members
- 17 New Academic Associate Candidates
- 34 Candidate Members graduated and will become Active Members
- 4 Non-member APsaA institute graduates will become Active Members
- 3 IPA members of IPA graduates will become Active members
- 4 analysts trained outside of APsaA or the IPA will become Active Members

The 2018 year-end totals of Associates are:

- Educator Associates: 55
- Psychotherapist Associates: 255
- Research Associates: 28
- Student/Resident Associates: 55

Total of 393

#### G. Summary of Actions of Executive Committee Meetings

During the period between the June 2018 Executive Council meeting and this meeting of the Executive Council, the Executive Committee took the following actions:

1. Request from Dr, Gil Kliman concerning Immigrant Children separated from their Parents  
The Executive Committee approved the following motion: APsaA supports all efforts to find, assist, and reunite immigrant children with their parents.
2. Executive Committee Retreat  
The Executive Committee approved a motion to hold an Executive Committee retreat in the fall of 2018 in Las Vegas as part of its continued efforts to develop the next phase of APsaA's reorganizational plan.
3. Candidate Admission Policy to APsaA  
The Executive Committee unanimously endorsed the bylaw amendment proposal from the Membership Committee, which would allow candidates to become APsaA members immediately upon graduation, instead of waiting until the next national meeting. The Bylaws Committee will be asked to draft language that can be presented to the Executive Council in February.
4. Pension Plan 2018 Contribution  
The Executive Committee unanimously endorsed the recommendations of the Association's actuary (who oversees the APsaA pension plan) and APsaA Treasurer, Bill Myerson, to continue using the same calculations that has been used for the previous 7 years to determine the funding level for 2018.
5. Auxiliary Functions at APsaA Meetings  
The Executive Committee agreed to continue with the current policy regarding the allotment of meeting space to Auxiliary groups during APsaA meetings. The policy also includes a proviso that meetings of Auxiliary groups will not be scheduled at times where there are direct conflicts with APsaA's program, departmental activities or administrative meetings.
6. Amicus Brief Sign-on  
Dr. Jaffe signed on to an amicus brief on behalf of APsaA in support of discontinuation, by the state of Virginia, of the investigation into people who they consider immigrants, collecting and confining them and then separating them from their children.
7. Immigration Separation Trauma Sign-on Letter  
The Executive Committee approved Dr. Jaffe's request for APsaA to sign on to an immigration separation trauma sign-on letter. As part of this discussion, the Executive Committee also discussed the desire to communicate with more of the membership, and how to interest and invite our members who have never subscribed, or who have opted-out of our Members' listserv, to opt-in. Participation in the Members' listserv will be brought to the attention of the Listserv Committee for their recommendations.
8. Proposed Changes to the Tuition Support Program for Academics

The Executive Committee considered a request from Dr. Peter Rudnytsky, Head of the Academic and Professional Affairs Department, to broaden the eligibility criteria for the tuition support program offered to academics (to include candidates) through the Psychoanalysis and the Academy Committee. The Executive Committee, though recognizing the problem of the cost of psychoanalytic education, thought it best to make no change to the tuition support program at this time, but to address the problem through more comprehensive means.

9. Request from ACPE

ACPE is applying to the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) for federal recognition as an accrediting body. In the spring of 2018, ACPE requested a pledge from each of the Consortium member organizations for contingency funds, which it did not have, and that are required by the DOE, to cover the cost of operations should ACPE cease to exist. The Executive Committee, at that time, deferred making a decision until more information was made available regarding the ACPE business plan and the status of DOE credentialing. The Executive Committee again continued to defer consideration after receiving a follow-up request for funding until after the meeting of the Consortium on October 27, 2018, when clarification of the ACPE's business plan and a report on the status of the DOE credential will be available.

10. Pension Plan Review

The Executive Committee unanimously approved a proposed change to the employee pension plan that would allow employees the additional option to receive a lump sum distribution upon retiring. The proposal will be presented to the Executive Council for approval.

11. New Streams of Revenue

The Executive Committee, at several of its meetings, discussed ideas aimed at developing new sources of revenue. A task force to consider the various approaches in generating new revenue sources will be established. Further information will be provided in January for discussion at the Executive Council meeting in February 2019. The Executive Committee approved a motion to have an information packet, regarding a multi-faceted approach towards enhancing existing and developing new sources of revenue, which includes a bylaw amendment proposal, distributed to Council for review prior to discussion at February 2019 meeting.

12. PEP Sigourney Award

The Executive Committee discussed a proposal from Dr. Mosher, a PEP Director. PEP is a recipient of this year's Sigourney Award. He and the other Directors have requested the opportunity for continued recognition of Sigourney awardees at the APsaA National Meeting along with the other recipients of the Sigourney Award, because the Sigourney Trust has moved the presentation of its awards to the IPA Congress. The Executive Committee unanimously endorsed the proposal. Drs. Jaffe and Glover will work with Carolyn Gatto on staff to determine the time and place for recognizing the recipients during the February meeting.

13. Membership Categories and Dues Structure.

The Executive Committee continued discussion of the various initiatives that emerged during its recent retreat and began formulating plans to accomplish those goals.

14. Proposed Surveys on Training Issues

The Executive Committee discussed the status of surveying the membership regarding matters that are considered controversial as directed by the Executive Council. A Task Force to develop this survey will be appointed. The DPE is working on a separate comprehensive survey for gathering information from local institutes.

15. Online Community

In June 2018, the Executive Council approved the Online Community Guidelines to ensure that online communications were in line with the vision of the Association that was approved by the Executive Council in 2017. In an effort to improve dialogue on the Association's listservs, the Executive Committee began initial discussions about the need to review and possibly revise the Guidelines.

3. Lead Councilor Report

Dr. Rayner updated the Council on the activities of the Governance Committee. Since June 2018, the Committee has put in place new structures and functions to keep Council more informed, involved and effective including a revision of the Executive Council Briefing Book with orientation via Zoom to new Councilors, and assigned points of contacts for Councilors to the Governance Committee. A liaison between the Lead Councilor and Council committee chairs was also established.

4. Online Communities

Dr. Glover gave an update on the status of the Online Community Guidelines approved by Council last year. The guidelines were established to provide friendly collegial communications on the listservs. The ease of carrying out the guidelines has benefited APsaA in many ways, but they have also been prone to flame wars and have led to ad-hominem reactions. He gave a brief history of how the guidelines came to exist, and acknowledged the hurt feelings from a recent incident. Dr. Maxine Gann outlined the committee's current process for addressing online complaints. The Executive Committee is working along with the Online Community Committee to revise the guidelines to make them more respectful and collegial. Comments and suggestions for improving the function of the listservs should be sent to Tom Newman, Executive Director for exploration. A future Zoom call will be scheduled to discuss this further.

5. Council Survey of Members



In June 2018, the Executive Council asked for a survey of the membership concerning what was then labeled controversial issues which included issues regarding distance learning, training analysts system. Since then, it has been suggested to call them “important issues”.

In response to Council's request for a survey, a task force is being formed. The following members have agreed to serve on that Task Force:

David Cooper

Ralph Fishkin

Catherine Kimble

Alan Sugarman

There are also plans to explore the hiring of a consultant with expertise on completing surveys to ensure that that facilitation of the survey is properly administered to yield a good return rate.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report – Dr. Myerson

Dr. Myerson asked Mr. Kenneth Pritzker to present an overview of the finances including investment funds for FY 2018.

At the meeting in June 2018, the Executive Council approved a motion to have monthly financial reports to forecast what was happening given the financial decline. With the hiring of Tom Newman the new Executive Director with deep financial experience, it is now recommended that quarterly reports be provided.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Council unanimously approved a motion to have the APsaA staff provide the Executive Council with quarterly reports.

#### 7. Audit Committee Report – Dr. Kotcher

Dr. Kotcher reported that Lutz & Carr, the Association's auditing firm, had completed its audit of the Association's FY 2018 books. The firm has issued an unqualified opinion on our financial statements. This type of opinion is issued by an auditor when the financial statements presented are free from material misstatements and are represented fairly in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Lutz & Carr also reported to the Audit Committee that it encountered no difficulties with the audit. Dr. Kotcher reported no new notes in the audit. Areas of improvement were advised. Selection of a new auditing firm is being explored.

A review of the Association's pension plan is being considered.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Council voted unanimously to authorize the auditors to prepare the final FY 2018 audit.

#### 8. PEP Report – Dr. Levinson

Dr. Nadine Levinson reminded the Executive Council that PEP is a membership corporation with two members – APsaA and the British Psychoanalytic Society. Each member nominates its own members to the PEP Board of Directors. Four APsaA members have been nominated to the PEP board. Nadine Levinson, Paul Mosher, Alice Brand Bartlett, and

Andrew Gerber were unanimously appointed for three year terms as directors of PEP last year.

Dr. Levinson, one of PEP's two Managing Directors, reported that sales were up. \$120,000 was paid in royalties in 2018. For the past four years, APsaA and the British Psychoanalytic Society each received \$380,000, with an additional \$40,000 last year. Money is also given to the journals to support publication. \$12,000 is given to an author prize.

PEP received the Sigourney Award in 2019. Its long term Directors, who will receive the award for PEP, include: Nadine Levinson, Paul Mosher, Alice Brand Bartlett, David Tuckett, Peter Fonagy and Nasir Ilahi. Dr. Levinson also acknowledged Judith Schachter, APsaA President at the time, and also an original PEP Director, for her support of PEP at its inception.

Dr. Levinson briefly outlined PEP's succession plan, which includes a rotation of Directors.

#### 9. Department of Psychoanalytic Education (DPE) – Dr. Schiller

The DPE held a regional conference on supervision in Los Angeles, CA. It will be offered twice a year. The next regional conference will be held in Detroit on the usefulness of child curricula for adult psychoanalytic training. Sara Lusk will be the coordinator.

DPE held a Strategic Vision Retreat in the fall of 2018, and fine-tuned its vision and mission to be a creative scholarly open and student-centered approach to psychoanalytic education.

Dr. Schiller highlighted the various activities being developed by the DPE including looking into how institutes approach its TA appointments, developing a library resource, and publishing articles that highlight the missions, activities and plans of the various DPE Sections.

She gave a brief update on the Task Force on Distance Education, Co-chaired by Drs. Ralph Fishkin and Dennis Shelby.

The DPE will collaborate with the Executive Committee in the development of a survey on the training analysis.

#### 10. Membership Committee Report – Dr. Prezant

Dr. Dan Prezant assumed the chairmanship of the Membership Committee in October 2018 following Dr. Myerson. Membership numbers are discouraging at present. In the last seven years, APsaA lost 20% of its Active members, and almost 20% of its Candidate members with only half of the eligible candidates joining APsaA. Senior membership has grown with there now being more Senior/Life members than Active.

Four subcommittees have been created to address bylaws, diversity, candidate engagement and psychotherapists. Through all of these subcommittees as well as the Community Vision and making changes to the listserv, we are trying to change the culture of the Association.

It's becoming increasingly important to be more engaged with our Candidate Members, early career analysts and psychotherapist associates.

APsaA has to show its interest in, and the value of, diversity.

#### 11. Membership Requirements & Review Committee Report (MRRC) – Dr. Jaffe

The Membership Requirements & Review Committee (the MRRC) met on Tuesday and approved a number of new membership applications. The Committee approved 5 Expanded Pathway Membership applications received from analysts who did not train at an APsaA institute or an IPA institute but who have met the substantial equivalence requirements.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Council approved the following new Active Members via MMRC:

Johanna C. Malone, Ph.D. (Cambridge, MA)  
Angelika Rapaport, Ph.D. Dipl. Psych. (Munich, Germany)  
Yael Shenhav Sharoni, MA (Mattan, Israel)  
Joyce Slochower, Ph.D., ABPP (New York, NY)

Since the Expanded Pathway membership route was established, APsaA has welcomed 67 new members.

The MRRC also approved:

- 3 applications from analysts trained at an IPA institute
- 4 applications from graduates of APsaA-approved institutes who never joined APsaA

#### 12. Institute Requirements & Review Committee Report (IRRC) – Dr. Fishkin

Dr. Fishkin reported that the IRRC met on multiple occasions. It has drafted, revised and adopted several documents for use in studying independent institutes that are interested in gaining approved institute status.

The IRRC is currently evaluating four institutes. Consultation with the DPE is now contemplated according to the IRRC bylaw concerning possible revisions of the existing Standards.

The IRRC hopes to have some recommendations for consideration at the June 2019 meeting.

He thanked members of the committee including Debbie Steinke Wardell for their hard work and support. Members of the committee: Lee Jaffe, Bill Glover, Ralph Fishkin, David Cooper, Michael Dvorkin, David Moore, Ira Moses, Sally Rosenberg, Lynn Yonack, Arthur Lew and Seth Aronson.

#### 13. IPA Officer's Report

Drs. Virginia Unger and Sergio Nick, President and Vice President of the IPA reported.

APsaA is the largest psychoanalytic organization in the United States; the IPA is the largest in the world. We share a vital partnership in the development and advancement of psychoanalysis. We are aware that the IPA could still be seen as a distant organization that is difficult to reach. We ask that you convey an invitation to APsaA affiliates and members to explore more of what the IPA has to offer. Visit the webpage. Send questions, comments –communications to IPA.

The IPA has started several new initiatives, including organizing webinars to explore how analysts from different cultures think and work. The IPA has about 13,000 members all over the world, with more than 6,000 candidates which are a vital part of the IPA (though not IPA members). A new program in collaboration with IPSO to build on an existing candidate program was started. Grants will be developed to help candidates in attending regional and international programs.

Last year, the IPA in the Community was created and has several subcommittees. Psychoanalysis can help in serious situations in the world by focusing on the cultural impact of mental health.

The IPA launched a new set of IPA awards for analysts who are making contributions to their communities. 130 applications have been received for review to date.

This an election year for the North American President and Vice President.

Dr. Sergio Nick thanked Lee Jaffe and the Council for the invitation to address the group. He reminded everyone of the upcoming Congress in July 2019 as well as the Asia Pacific Conference in May 2020.

There's an ethical obligation to convey to the younger generation our passion and the psychoanalytic attitude taught to us. We need to work together, we are partners.

#### 14. Public Advocacy Department Report

Dr. Smaller spoke of the various activities the Department in recent months. The reduction in funds to support lobbying efforts has made it more challenging to participate fully in furthering our goals on Capitol Hill. However, Dr. Smaller continues to develop stronger relationships with several Congressional legislative aides. He stated that we were in initial discussions to promote the idea of creating a pilot project to make mental health services available via video treatment to Wyoming, a state of 750,000 with one of the highest rates of suicide, depression and opioid addiction, and with few mental health professionals to treat patients.

In the fall, Dr. Reid Meloy, a member from San Diego, and an expert in threat assessment and prevention with regards to profiling potential violent shooters was contacted by Congressman Brian Babin from Texas in the hopes of coming up with some kind of bi-partisan bill to create a task force to assess and intervene prior to the occurrence of a violent event. APsaA is working to provide content for the bill. They are working on a draft in support of the bill that will be circulated to the Council. This Federal task force combines expertise of Federal, local and state law enforcement and psychodynamic mental health professionals.

APsaA lobbyist, Peggy Tighe brings these great opportunities our way. This is one of the most important of APsaA member benefits, having representation on Capitol Hill. Because of current funding, Ms. Tighe is working almost pro bono on behalf of The Association, right at a time that we might be having the biggest impact on policy development on Capitol Hill. It is important to note that the priorities that Public Advocacy is addressing were voted on by the Executive Council back in 2017, in Austin.

The Executive Council voted its support in this effort.

#### 15. Executive Session

At the recommendation of the Governance Committee, the Executive Council ratified the election of David Cooper and Kerry Kelly Novick as additional members to the Governance Committee.

At the recommendation of the Honorary Membership & Awards Committee, the Executive Council approved the nomination to Honorary Membership of Carol Gilligan, Ph.D.

#### 16. Bylaw Amendment, Dues

Dr. Glover presented a report and a proposed bylaw amendment regarding dues.

Since budget challenges became apparent last spring, a multifaceted approach to increase revenue, enhance existing revenue sources and develop new ones, which includes the revision of the dues reduction and exemption policy is in the works. As a first step, it is recommended that the Executive Council be given authority to set dues structure and amounts.

We are looking at ways to restructure membership dues to reflect the reality of our changing demographics without unduly burdening either younger or older members.

As an operational procedure we propose that dues be periodically reviewed by the Finance Committee and, after consultation with the Membership Committee, recommendations be made to the Executive Committee and then to the Executive Council for decision. The Executive Committee will consult with these bodies on proposals to Council assuming the Bylaw is adopted.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Council approved a proposed Bylaw Amendment to clarify the Executive Council's exclusive authority to revise dues and dues structures henceforth and removal of specific dues reduction and exemption clauses from the Bylaws.

The relevant section of the Bylaws would be changed as follows.

*Article III – Members. Section 3 – Dues.*

*A. Annual Dues. The Annual Dues of every member category shall be set by the Executive Council.*

A specific plan for revising the Association's dues reduction and exemption policy will be developed for Council's consideration if and when the bylaw amendment is approved.

A vote by the membership will be held at the Annual Meeting in June 2019.

## 17. Science Department Report

Dr. Solms reported as the Head of the Science Department. He thanked Dr. Charles Fisher for his support.

The College of Research Fellows of APsaA has been initiated. The first round of invitations have gone out and many have accepted.

A collaborative multicenter approach involving APsaA and the IPA has been established. A project was initiated during the presidency of Harriet Wolfe. The study is a proposed multi-center, multi-methods project, *The Multilevel Outcome Study of Psychoanalyses of Chronically Depressed Patients with Early Trauma (MODE)*. MODE will examine outcomes of psychoanalysis (frequent sessions) versus psychoanalytic therapy (less frequent sessions) for a specific patient population. Patients are to be randomly assigned to one of the two treatment conditions. The patient population consists of chronically depressed individuals who have experienced childhood trauma. The APsaA Fund for Psychoanalytic Research has awarded \$20,000 for the initial phase of the project with matching funds from the IPA. The point person for the work to be done is Marianne Leuzinger-Bohleber, from Germany.

The Department is thinking of ways to communicate to the world, and how to collaborate with the DPE to include science and research in the training curriculum. There is interest, but few members who could teach this.

## 18. Report from JAPA Publisher – Sage Publications

Danielle Bath, the Psychology Journals Editor at Sage Publications, presented the *JAPA* report. She reminded the Council that SAGE began publishing *JAPA* with the 2008 volume. Ms. Bath reported on *JAPA*'s circulation, online downloads and usage activity, the Journal's financial performance, and plans for the coming year.

2017 was an exceptional year with Sage-wide promotions around its new journals website platform. There was a subsequent decrease in the number of download for 2018. The top downloaded article is still Eric Erikson's, "The Problem of Ego Identity"

*JAPA*'s circulation has maintained its widespread distribution with total circulation remaining over the 10,000 benchmark. There has been a standard rate of attrition and reclassification of individuals and single traditional institutions in favor of the industry-wide trend towards consortia and bundled journal packages. *JAPA* is a part of 3,525 subscriptions by consortia, which are collectives of subscribing university libraries.

There was an increase in *JAPA*'s Impact Factor Score, which measures a journal's number of articles, citations against other similar journals in the field. *JAPA* is ranked 130 out of 142 journals in the psychiatry category, and fourth out of twelve journals in the psychoanalysis category.

Email campaigns are particularly effective as well as newsletters, social media, and free trials as marketing tactics to reach the widest possible audience for *JAPA* content.

The result of *JAPA*'s strong circulation and online usage is another year of financial growth. Overall, 2018 was a great fiscal and performance year for *JAPA* with a 6.5% increase in total revenue over 2017.

#### 19. Bylaw Amendment, Candidate Members

Dr. Rayner reported as Chair of the Bylaws Committee. In an effort to remove the barrier for candidate members to join APsaA upon graduation, the Executive Committee recommends the following proposed bylaw amendment:

#### ARTICLE III. MEMBERS.

##### Section 1. Membership Classes.

- E. Candidate Members – A person who has been accepted for clinical training or who is receiving clinical training in psychoanalysis at an approved or provisionally approved institute or new training facility of the Association or at an institute of a component society or provisionally approved society of the IPA shall be eligible to become a Candidate Member.
1. The Secretary shall extend an invitation in writing on receipt of documentation from an approved or provisionally approved institute or new training facility of the Association confirming the candidate's status. A person who has accepted the invitation shall become a Candidate Member. ~~at the next meeting of the members.~~
  2. A candidate of an institute of a component society or provisionally approved component society of the IPA may apply for membership in the association by presenting documentation from that IPA institute a) that the applicant is a candidate in good standing and b) that the IPA institute will inform the association if the candidate has graduated or is no longer in training. That candidate shall then become a candidate member. ~~at the next meeting of members.~~

Upon duly made and seconded, the Executive Council approved the proposed bylaw amendment that would allow automatic Candidate membership in APsaA with documentation of being accepted by their training facility.

A vote by the membership will be held at the Annual Meeting in June 2019.

#### 20. Report from the Candidates' Council – Dr. Golden

The Candidates' Council President, Valerie Golden, reported that the Candidates' Council meeting in February 2018 was attended by 82 candidates representing 22 institutes. She didn't have the figures for this meeting as yet. She also reported on the activities of the Candidates' Council, noting details of offerings designed for candidates scheduled for this National Meeting. 33 travel grants (\$500 each) were awarded to offset expenses of Candidate Members attending their first APsaA meeting.

There are 14 committees within the Candidates' Council. Many candidates also serve on APsaA Committees.

This is Valerie Golden's last year as President. She was presented with a certificate of recognition for her service as President of the Candidates' Council from 2017-2019. The new officers are Holly Crisp (President), Sumru Tufekcioglu, Ph.D. (President-elect), President-Elect Alex Barends (Treasurer), and Sandra Landen (Secretary).

## 21. New Business – Dr. Gross

### A. Strategic Planning Process

Dr. Herb Gross suggested that the strategic planning process be based on solutions developed by committees of the BOD, not by a survey of the members. Options should then be presented to Council followed by informing the membership of the options available. The membership should be involved, but the options should be developed by those who are committed and informed about the business of the Association – Executive Councilors. He encouraged everyone to use the Council listserv to discuss options developed in committee.

### B. Revision of the Ethics Code

Dr. Peter Kotcher presented a brief report of the Ethics Committee. He will complete his term on the Ethics Committee, after 10 years, in June 2019. Dr. Rion Hart has agreed to chair the committee. He has also agreed to chair the task force that is revising the Ethics Code.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Council approved a motion to empower the Executive Committee to appoint a task force to review the Ethics Code in liaison with the Chair of the Ethics Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 3:07pm

Ralph Fishkin  
Secretary