

## **AVAPL Minutes**

**June 14,, 2012**

**Present:** Dr. Fischer, Dr. Levenson, Dr. Shorter, Dr. Landes, Dr. Cavicchia, Dr. Burk, Dr. Graves, Dr. Hinterthuer, Dr. Kenney, Dr. Klocek, Dr. Lemle, and Dr. Rubenstein

**Minutes** – Minutes of 5/10/2012 were approved

### **Treasurer's Report**

Membership – 336

Conference Cost - \$28,580

Balance in Account: \$38,552

### **Old Business** (Advisory Board):

1. **Chief Survey** – It was reported that the Directory portion of the Survey Group's efforts was given to Dr. Levenson for follow-up. She reported that the Directory is 85% completed. It is expected to be completed by the end of the month or early July after which time it will be posted.
2. **Medical Staff Guidelines** – Deferred
3. **Early Career Psychologist Committee** – Deferred
4. **Membership Update** - Dr. Klocek indicated there was nothing new to report. Completion of the Directory will aid the effort to increase communication with Psychology leaders in the field. Consideration is being given to creating a Special Interest Group for research. Also being explored are other ways to formally communicate with the field.
5. **EBP's** - Dr. Fischer reported Dr. Zeiss agreed to forward to the Executive Committee an advance copy of the changes in the guidelines for EBPs.
6. **Pay Bill** – Deferred
7. **Legal counsel** – Nothing new to report.
8. **Newsletter Status** - Dr. Graves discussed the status of the Summer AVAPL Newsletter. Articles and newsworthy information are still needed. Several members volunteered to contribute articles. The schedule for meetings at APA will be included. It was agreed that the Newsletter should be published at least a week prior to APA for maximum dissemination prior to the Convention.

### **New Business** (Executive Board):

1. **Request for a C&P SIG** - A request to start a Compensation and Pension Special Interest Group was discussed. It was the consensus of the Executive Committee that a list serve already exists and a SIG for C&Ps would be redundant.

2. **Nominations for President-Elect** – Dr. Shorter reported that there were two candidates for the office of President-Elect. It was agreed that Dr. Fischer would contact one psychologist who had previously expressed interest to determine if they remained interested. The Executive Committee agreed that the election can proceed with two candidates if no other psychologists expressed interest. The deadline date is 6/15/12.
3. **Award Nominations** – Dr. Shorter reported there were four nominees for three awards. There were no nominees for the Early Career Psychologist Award. Discussion occurred regarding the Leadership Award which is very similar to the Antonette Zeiss Distinguished Leadership Award. Consideration will be given to modifying the list of possible awards to reduce redundancy. The deadline date for nominations is 6/15/12.
4. **APA**
  - A. Scheduling agenda for the Business meeting – Dr. Fischer reported that the schedule is still being confirmed along with the meeting rooms.
  - B. AVAPL Suite is now booked at the **Peabody Hotel** and not The Hilton as announced last month
5. **Other Issues**
  - A. Dr. Zeiss requested input from AVAPL regarding an Interprofessional Training Initiative and how such an initiative would be implemented at the national level. Of particular interest is training related to treatment/services for families and couples. Dr. Levenson will coordinate recommendations and AVAPL's response.

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Secretary