

Minutes of the Psychoanalytic Society Board Meeting: Dec. 22, 1998

Present: Judith Belner, Paul Feinberg, Bruce Grellong, Susan Herman, Lynn Leibowitz, Dolores Morris, Marsha Silverton, Pat Vitacco

Absent: B.J. Cling, Ann D'Ercole, Seymour Moscovitz, Helen Silverman, Carol Zeits

- 1. Minutes:** A motion was made to accept the minutes with the following corrections or additions:
Membership: "Many members are not paying their dues and are not notified about it."
Mission Statement: "Board members will give further input on the statement via E-Mail."
Standing Committees: "Motion was made and passed to reappoint all the current chairpersons for the next two year period."
Death / Illness Statement: "Basically good, but additional issues need to be addressed."
- 2. Senate:** Lynn, Marsha, and Pat discussed the Dec. Senate meeting, which focused on the following issues: The title of "Adjunct" needs to be used for faculty and only those who are currently teaching; a committee of faculty will have to be formed in order to approve future appointments and promotions; recent \$25,000 grant acquisition to subsidize training fellowships. Concerns were expressed by some Board members about changes occurring in the Senate and within the Program.
- 3. International Conference:** to be held in Toronto in the year 2000 in collaboration with White and Adelphi. Judit Jung is contacting Swedish colleagues to set up the following Internat'l Conf. She will report at the next Board meeting.
- 4. Continuing Ed.:** There was a good turn-out for the Jonathan Lear presentation. The question had been raised by Steven Axelrod about whether the Society should pay for speakers' dinners. After discussion, the motion was made and approved to reaffirm the Society's prior policy of not paying for speakers' dinners.
- 5. Colloquium Committee:** Marcia Pollak, Chair of that committee, asked for a representative from the Society to participate on the committee. Seymour Moscovitz was appointed by Dolores to do so. The issue of having speakers who are not only track-affiliated was discussed. Sue raised the question of how the Indep. Track might join with the Society to meet the needs of Independent graduates. It was proposed that a representative from the Indep. Track come to a Board meeting to discuss this.
- 6. Clinic Committee:** Judith met with Ron Balamuth and reported on that. In order to work out a more mutually beneficial relationship between the Clinic and the Society Referral Service, Ron suggested that Dolores and Judith write a letter to Lew emphasizing that we could help to absorb the referrals that the Clinic might not be able to handle.
- 7. Donation to Postdoc Program:** B.J. suggested that a committee be formed to look into this issue. After some discussion, it was decided that the Board as a whole, rather than a committee, should address this issue.
- 8. The Budget:** Sue presented a summary of the 1998 budget and an estimate of the 1999 budget. The idea of donating income from the Biennial Conference to the

Kalinkowitz Memorial Fund was raised. It was decided that priorities for spending will be discussed at the next meeting in Feb.

9. **Service to Graduates:** In order to determine how the Society can best serve the graduates, Pat and Paul were appointed to create a survey to be mailed to grad's.
10. **Referral Service:** Judith presented the Society's new initiative to advertize the Referral Service to the business community at large. The campaign involves newly designed letters and fliers targetted toward corporations and professional schools. The Yellow Pages ad will continue to run but has been reduced in size to cut costs.

Respectfully submitted,

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