

# the PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY

of the Postdoctoral Program, Inc.

## MINUTES (APPROVED)

### BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 24, 2009 | 8:15 - 10:15 PM

At the home of Dr. Joan Yager  
165 West End Ave #25N, NYC

**Present:** Joan Yager, President; Helen Silverman, Treasurer; Sharon Brennan, Corresponding Secretary; Maureen O'Reilly-Landry, Recording Secretary; David Beyda, Representative to Senate & Member-at-Large; Eileen Setzman, Member-at-Large.

**Absent:** Pat Vitacco, Vice President; Members-at-large: Roanne Barnett, Paul Carroll, Mary Sue Richardson, Judy Warren, Ann Steiner.

I. **CALL TO ORDER - Joan Yager**

The meeting was called to order at 8:20PM when a quorum was reached.

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Joan Yager**

- ☞ **MOTION #1:** Approve the draft minutes of the January 27, 2009 board meeting.  
☞ **MOTION #1:** Approved unanimously.

III. **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

A. **PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS - Joan Yager**

Joan reminded everyone that Zarin Mody would no longer be able to serve and she resigned from the board. It was happily noted that Zarin will continue as a member of the Scholars' Grants Committee as well as continue to oversee the Society's ongoing literary contribution to the PD News Column.

B. **TREASURER'S REPORT - Helen Silverman**

Helen will begin research on securing insurance for the board by consulting with Sharon Brennan about this who will secure and then report back with information from NYSPA on how they handle insurance for their board. Helen reported that the IRS requested a copy of our non-profit information and noted that it was not an audit. The request was made because Fidelity needed it with regard to one of our accounts.

- ☞ **MOTION #2:** To research and eventually purchase insurance for the Board.  
☞ **MOTION #2:** Approved unanimously.

IV. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE -- Sharon Brennan**

It was noted that reservations for this year's party were greater than those from previous years. David Beyda and Maureen O'Reilly-Landry volunteered to monitor the door the night of the party and more will be expected to volunteer, since Sharon Brennan will not be able to be there at the beginning of evening. Addie Levine, who had been asked to come and speak about Patrick Lane, is unable to attend, so Ruth Jaffe will be the sole person speaking about Patrick that night. As usual, Pat Vitacco will speak about the Scholar's Grants for this year and in general, but also announce the addition of the First Annual Candidate's Scholar's Grant which has been named in Patrick's memory since he was so supportive of the

grant for candidates.

**B. MEMORIAL LECTURE – *Maureen O'Reilly-Landry***

It was decided that the budget will depend on where the lecture is held, how many come for lunch and the fee for the speaker. Maureen O'Reilly-Landry will speak to Spyros Orfanos, do fact finding and present a budget.

**C. NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – *Eileen Setzman***

A call for nominations will go out on March 25 with replies to Eileen Setzman, chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee. The nominations deadline will be April 17. Eileen will call nominees who are not self-nominated to confirm their willingness to serve. The time line for the election is predicated on the bylaw that the new board's terms of office begin on June 30<sup>th</sup>. In order to allow a 30-day turnaround for ballots to be received by mid-June, the ballots need to be snail-mailed to the membership no later than in mid-May. The ballots will be mailed to the membership once the nominations slate is made.

It was agreed that the current board members will do what they can to encourage people who have not previously served to take an interest in serving on the new Board for the Society.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

Eileen Setzman noted that there was a letter from Lew Aron thanking the Society for their financial contributions, which have served to enhance the Postdoctoral Program. The letter accompanied the latest Postdoc directory which was recently distributed.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT - *Joan Yager***

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 10:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maureen O'Reilly-Landry, Ph.D.  
Recording Secretary