

**International Association of Chiefs of Police -  
Police Psychological Services Section  
Section Meeting Minutes  
October 22, 2017**

**I. Call to Order**

Gary Fischler, General Chair, called to order the annual business meeting of the Section at 8:00 a.m. on October 22, 2017, in Philadelphia, PA. The General Chair announced that the parliamentary procedure used in this meeting would be Keesey's Modern Parliamentary Procedure.

Group picture was taken.

**II. Roll Call**

Jocelyn Roland made the motion to waive the official roll call. No roll call was conducted. Sixty members were counted as present.

**III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes from the 2016 business meeting in San Diego were distributed by email prior to the meeting. General Chair offered that the reading of the minutes be waived, and this was supported by the membership. John Nicoletti made a motion to accept the minutes. The minutes were then approved without dissent. Amended: Jocelyn Roland made a correction regarding the vicarious trauma toolkit being funded for two years.

**IV. Reports of Officers, Board & Standing Committee**

**A. General Chair Report**

- Gary Fischler, General Chair, recognized past chairs of the IACP-PPSS that were present in the room.
- The General Chair introduced information regarding collaboration with the Physician's Section
- The General Chair introduced ongoing efforts to revise the IACP Employee Mental Health Model Policy and provided certificates to Nancy Bohl-Penrod and Jaime Brower. Nancy recognized members of the committee with certificates.
- The General Chair reported on the revision to the Discover Policing website explaining the preemployment psychological testing, chaired by Rick Wihera. Rick Wihera introduced the committee members involved and provided certificates.

- The General Chair reported on the Officer Suicide Prevention with the assistance of Mark Kamena and Joel Fay.
- The General Chair recognized the Ethics Consultation Committee and members. Committee Chair Mark Kamena discussed low volume of requests for guidance from the Committee and encouraged Section members to utilize the services of the Committee. Mark discussed most common referrals and issues, along with ideas for future promotion of the Committee. Jeni McCutcheon was identified as the incoming Chair of the Ethics Consultation Committee. Mark identified members rotating off the Committee and three new members joining Committee. Mark provided certificates to Committee members in attendance.
- The General Chair introduced Education Chair Evan Axelrod. Education Committee members were recognized with certificates. Elizabeth White was recognized for continued guidance to the Education Committee.
- The General Chair introduced the Diversity Committee. Ray Turner was introduced as the Diversity Committee Chair. Ray provided the mission statement of the committee, along with key activities during development period. Committee members were introduced.
- The General Chair introduced John Nicoletti to discuss the Wellness Resiliency Project.
- Elizabeth White was recognized for her continued efforts in overseeing the Section's APA accreditation and ability to offer CEU's for Section workshops.
- The General Chair thanked the Section for allowing him to serve on the Board and the opportunities it has afforded him.

#### B) Vice Chair Report

- Mark Kirschner, Vice Chair, thanked and recognized all sponsors who donated to the social event. Mark provided special thanks to Jennifer Kelly for her assistance with planning the event.
- The Vice Chair recognized Elizabeth White and her contributions to the Section as the liaison ensuring that our conference is awarded APA continuing education credit.

#### C) Member-at-Large: Membership Chair Report

- Brian Mangan, Membership Chair, noted that twenty-three new Section members were approved during the year along with one new student member. Daniel Sager and Krista Dettle, the Early Career Scholarship winners, were introduced to the

section. Brian thanked the members of the welcoming committee who were instrumental in welcoming new members to this year's conference.

#### D) Member-at-Large: Education Chair Report

- Evan Axelrod, Education Chair, recognized and thanked the Education Committee members for their dedication and commitment. Special thanks given to Lew Schlosser, conference vice-chair.
- The Education Chair noted that we had fewer presentations spots due to IACP scheduling restrictions; however, the tracks represented all four domains of practice. There were 31 proposals for 11 slots. 50% of the time was spent as a large group and 50% of the time was spent in break out sections.
- It was noted that the numbers of attendees to Section sessions has increased, rooms were arranged in a manner to maximize seats.
- Evan reminded members to sign-in and complete the Survey Monkey survey form to obtain CE credits and noted which classes were approved for California POST credit.
- Evan announced the presentations that various members will be giving to the general IACP membership during this year's conference.

#### E) Immediate Past Chair

- Heather McElroy, Immediate Past Chair, thanked the membership for their participation at the conference.
- Heather thanked the Section for allowing her to be of service on the Executive Board.

#### F) Treasurer's Report

- Kim Kohlhepp reported that the Section is financially healthy. \$22k in revenue, \$17k in expenses are reported so far in the 2016-17 fiscal year to date. The expenditures largely consisted of the Social Event cost. Kim thanked sponsors for their generous contributions. Kim offered assistance to all Section members as IACP Liaison.
- The General Chair thanked Kim Kohlhepp for his tireless service to the Section.

### V. Reports of Special Committees

- General Chair introduced Dave Corey and he identified APA issues affecting Police Psychologists. He reported the Statement on Third Party Observers in

Psychological Testing and Assessment is currently under revision and he is the Chair of the Committee. Please feel free to contact him with any input.

- Dave introduced a new APA policy effective February through Council of Representatives. The Professional Practice Guidelines for Occupationally Mandated Psychological Evaluations are thirteen aspirational guidelines, which cite IACP guidelines eight times. This is good visibility for IACP and our Section.
- Dave reported the Society for Police and Criminal Psychology annual conference in 2018 will be held in Sarasota, Florida just prior to IACP annual conference in Orlando.
- In Memory and Honor: The General Chair recognized Marty Mayer and his contributions to the field and our Section over the years. Dave Corey spoke in memory of Marty.
- In Memory and Honor: The General Chair recognized James Turner and his contributions to the field of police psychology. Mike Gelles spoke in memory of James.

## **VI. Unfinished business**

- None

## **VII. New business**

- The General Chair, Gary Fischler, identified Lew Schlosser as candidate for incoming Education Chair. Gary solicited interest or nominations from other Section members as candidates. No additional interest or nominations
- Candidate Lew Schlosser provided statement of interest. Vote was taken, and Lew Schlosser was elected.
- Mark Kirschner assumed role of General Chair and recognized Heather McElroy and Gary Fischler for guidance and assistance on the Board. Mark provided plaque to Gary for his contribution to board.
- Mark reported the OIS and FFDE Guidelines are up for revision this year. He will be identifying Chairs, who will then select committee members. Mark discussed and encouraged concept of having Co-Chairs on the committees to continue mentoring future Chairs.
- Mark introduced Elizabeth White and thanked her for her service. Elizabeth identified tasks of the APA liaison and requested interest for a successor, noting that she will act as a mentor through the transition process.

- Mark reported on General Section Concerns, identifying commercial posting as a topic of concern. The Executive Board will review the Commercial Posting Policy and solicit input from the Section via listserv.
- Mark opened the floor to members.
- Robin Inwald solicited interest for involvement in collecting data for traumatized first responders and resiliency. Contact Robin with interest.
- Mark Kamena discussed program at Wright Institute, including curriculum for each of the four domains. The program offers a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology with major area of interest in Police and Public Safety Psychology. Mark solicited interest for involvement as instructors or guest lecturers regarding Operational domain.
- Kimberly Miller discussed the Sheriff's Organization and services that we can provide to the organization, similar to IACP. She provided the website for resource for organization and member information.
- Joel Fay requested geographic breakdown of the Section roster to make the referral process more efficient. Kim discussed options and roster availability. Kim reported the Section roster is updated monthly.
- The General Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:00 A.M. The next business meeting will be in Orlando, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Minutes submitted by: Brian Mangan, General Vice Chair, on August 21, 2018.