



## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 13, 2008 – Halifax, Nova Scotia

The Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Psychological Association was held in Halifax, Nova Scotia, at the Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, on Friday June 13, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, President, acted as Chair of the Meeting and Ms. Marie-Christine Pearson as Recording Secretary.

### 1.0 Adoption of the Agenda

It was **MOVED and CARRIED** (Snyder/Aubé) that the Agenda be adopted.

### 2.0 Approval of Minutes

It was **MOVED and CARRIED** (Gauthier/Craig) that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Ottawa, Ontario, on June 8, 2007, be adopted.

### 3.0 Report of the President

#### 3.1 Overview of activities 2007-2008

Much has happened over the last year. We have accomplished longstanding specific CPA strategic goals (hopefully, I was able to contribute to their realization), goals that I set for my year as President, and goals that developed as the year progressed. Perhaps the latter should be characterized as responding to opportunity, or crisis management. Of course, it is not possible to list all of CPA's recent accomplishments in this brief report but here are some highlights.

One of the most significant events of the last year has been our change in Executive Directors, following Dr. John Service's departure in order to assume the eminent position of Executive Director of the Mental Health Commission of Canada. As a Board, we decided to maximize our fiduciary responsibility to the membership and conduct an open national search for a new Executive Director. Following a national search, the Board of CPA selected Dr. Karen Cohen as the most outstanding and best qualified applicant. It gives me great pleasure to welcome Dr. Cohen in her new role as Executive Director of CPA.

Since much of what I set out to accomplish, in collaboration with my colleagues on the Board of CPA and CPA staff, related to the ultimate goal of increasing representation of diverse pockets of groups of psychologists who were underrepresented within our organisation, I was delighted that the Board approved a significant motion I made as President-Elect last year. The motion was that the CPA Board designate a Member-At-Large seat for a scientist working within the NSERC mandate. Dr. Peter Graf was recently elected to this position. This designation of the member-at-large seat improves the representation of NSERC researchers within the governance of CPA and, since Dr. Graf (who is a Fellow of CPA) is also an active member of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive and Science (BBCS), his appointment creates a

unique opportunity to increase the links and collaboration between the two organisations. Through initiatives facilitated by Dr. Graf's presence on the Board, we might also be able to increase the number of NSERC scientists within our membership and lobby more substantially for increased NSERC funding for psychological science.

Over the last couple of years, we also have increased the profile of our membership board portfolio. This was the result of the work conducted by President-Elect Dr. Catherine Lee (who chairs the membership committee this year), the Student Section of CPA and last year's membership committee. Specifically, we have been able to increase the number of campus representatives, with a special emphasis on departments that did not tend to have representatives in the past (e.g., Educational Psychology and Counselling Psychology Departments). Moreover, among other initiatives, we have made efforts to increase membership among psychologists whose primary language is French. Our membership numbers hit a record high last fall when we reached the landmark of 6,000 CPA members and trainees. In addition, we continued to devote increased resources to our conventions (following the footsteps of CPA Past President, Dr. Robert J. Vallerand) which have been expanding (both in attendance numbers and outstanding presentations) at an unprecedented rate over the last few years.

Members of the Board have taken initiatives concerning private practice. This includes a survey (Dr. Nicole Aubé) to collect information on the state of psychological private practice in Canada and a task force to examine the issue of the pursuit of prescription privileges by psychologists (Dr. Ian Nicholson).

I am especially pleased that our goal to establish a CPA Section on Aboriginal Psychology has been accomplished. I thank all of those who worked to make this a reality and especially Dr. Mary Hampton, graduate student Kim McNabb and Dr. Dana Bova.

Other significant accomplishments over the last year include the completion and approval of a five year strategic plan for board portfolios, our journal publication agreement with the American Psychological Association (this agreement had been in the works for a few years—see article by past board member Dr. Wendy Josephson [Winter 2008 issue of *Psynopsis*] who worked hard on this issue), and the completion of the most significant steps necessary for the launching of a CPA book press (I thank Dr. Peter Bieling for working on this initiative). Last but not least, it is important to point out that the organisation remains healthy from a fiscal perspective.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the important contributions of the CPA board members who are leaving the board following the completion of their terms. I thank Dr. Robert J. Vallerand, Dr. Ian Nicholson and Dr. Elizabeth Church for their hard work and many contributions to CPA. I am also grateful to all of the remaining board members and staff of CPA for their work and the tangible results that it produces. My family, Heather, Dimitri, and Nicholas, also deserve enormous thanks for allowing me to devote so much to CPA.

From a personal standpoint, being President of CPA involved way more work than I had ever expected but, even if I knew then what I know now, I would still do it in a heart beat. The rewards are tremendous and the honour of serving Canadian psychology in this capacity is immeasurable. At the end of our next Annual General Meeting in Halifax, I will be passing the presidential gavel to Dr. Catherine Lee, content with the work that we have done together over the last year and with confidence about the future of our organisation.

To all friends and colleagues at CPA: Thank you!

It was **MOVED and CARRIED** (Veitch/McIlwraith) that the report of the President be received.

#### **4.0 Reports of the Executive Director**

##### 4.1 Overview of activities 2007-2008

#### **INTRODUCTION**

2007-08 was a year of considerable change for CPA. In September 2007, after 14 years as the Executive Director of CPA, Dr. John Service, resigned and went on to become the Executive Director of the **Mental Health Commission of Canada**. The CPA had greatly benefited from John's direction and stewardship and his departure was keenly felt. His senior role on the Mental Health Commission is a testament to his skill and expertise but also to how far psychology has come on the mental health landscape in Canada. In addition to John's key role on the Commission, two psychologists were appointed to the Commission's Board of Directors (Drs. Lorraine Breault and Fern Stockdale-Winder) in addition to many more named to the Commission's advisory committees. The launch of the Mental Health Commission under the chairship of former Senator Michael Kirby is a tremendous development for mental health in Canada. The mandates of the Commission are to:

- Develop public policy on mental health and mental illness
- Increase public awareness about mental health and addictions and mental illness in order to reduce stigma
- Facilitate the exchange of research findings and best practices between governments and stakeholders
- Reduce the fragmentation of mental health and mental illness policies and programmes in Canada

With John's departure in October, Dr. Karen Cohen was appointed the Acting Executive Director of CPA while the CPA Board of Directors undertook a national search for its Director. Karen had been the Associate Executive Director (AED) of CPA since 2001 and since October of 2007 she has been managing the responsibilities of both the AED and ED roles. At the end of March 2008, Karen was appointed the Executive Director of CPA. The challenges of managing both the AED and ED roles during the transition were made possible with the support of the CPA Board and Head Office staff.

#### **HEAD OFFICE**

##### **Finances**

Please see the 2007 Auditor's report. The financial base of the Association continues to be solid. Revenue related items for 2007-08 include the

- implementation of a new publication agreement with the American Psychological Association for CPA's journals which we expect may decrease journal revenue in the short term but yield increases through greater market penetration of the journals in the long term,
- need to adopt a new accounting practice as concerns investment income in which market rather than book values are used (resulting in an unrealized investment loss in 2007), and
- the 2007 grant from the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) for \$125,000.

As mentioned in the 2007 report, forecasts about the impact of the “baby boom” retirements on membership recruitment and retention will be ongoing over the next number of years. CPA is beginning to turn its focus to the development of a business continuity plan for the Association which has begun with some changes to the safeguarding and backup of electronic data to support membership in the event of a technological or environmental disaster.

### **Staff Complement**

There have been several changes to our staff complement in 2007-08. In addition to the change in Executive Directorship as mentioned above, Cara Bernard resigned as Executive Assistant. Cara had been on maternity leave since June 2007 and opted not to return to work at the end of her leave so that she could stay home with her son.

It had long been forecasted that with the move to APA publication of CPA journals, the position of Communications and Membership Coordinator, held by Dan Berman, would be significantly impacted because .5FTE of this position was devoted to journals. The Board of Directors voted to abolish this position in February 2008. As mentioned, this was a decision that had been previewed with Dan in 2007 and he left CPA’s employ at the end of March 2008. The few residual Head Office journal functions that remain are now handled by Raymond Leveille who had been a contractor of CPA for some time involved in the layout of the journals and Psynopsis. Our plan had been for Marie Christine to assume oversight for the website and for Psynopsis until Cara’s return from maternity leave. Since the recent news of Cara’s decision not to return, we will be revisiting our overall communication and publication needs with a view to further staff recruitment in the area of communications and public and government relations. Marie Christine will oversee membership services, the latter which continue to be ably managed by Sylvia Spallin.

The CPA historian, Katalin Dzinás, resigned as of January 2008. CPA is very committed to recruiting a new historian and has been consulting with the community to determine the best way to scope out and recruit for this position. Recruitment for a historian will become a priority following the convention.

The CPA appreciates the important contributions made by Cara, Dan, and Katalin and wishes them well in their future endeavours.

The CPA has advertised widely within the psychological community for an Associate Executive Director. Advertisements of the position have been placed on the CPA website, sent out via CPA news, placed in Psynopsis, as well as sent out electronically to our many psychological association partners (e.g. CCDP, CCPPP, CRHSPP, CPAP, ACPRO, BBCS). The application deadline for this position closes May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and we are hopeful that we will be able to recruit a psychologist into this important role.

### **Web Site**

Head Office continues to review and update the website. We have launched a new webpage for the Canadian Psychological Association Press and plan the launch of two other new pages shortly; the first page which provides the titles and links to governmental and other agency reports that are relevant to the science and practice of psychology both in Canada and, wherever possible, internationally. We are also hoping to launch a new page, as a member service that will allow researchers to post descriptions of any ongoing research projects for

which they are recruiting participants. We will develop some brief procedure to allow us to vet proposed postings to ensure that each project posted has received appropriate institutional ethics approval.

### **The Head Office Space**

Head Office staff continues to enjoy their Laurier Avenue quarters and the common use of two Board rooms affords us efficiencies and economies in convening meetings of the CPA Board and Accreditation Panel. We have replaced some long overdue capital equipment this year with the retirement of our 23 year old photocopier and the replacement of several computer monitors. In the event that our 2008 mental health surveillance proposal to the Public Health Agency of Canada (see Mental Health Research below) is accepted, we will have to add at least two staff to our complement for whom two new office spaces will have to be developed.

### **ADVOCACY**

CPA undertakes ongoing and many activities to support the discipline of psychology. The following are some examples under science, practice, and training.

### **SCIENCE**

#### **Funding for Research: Federal Budget 2008/09**

The Federal Government's 2008/09 budget announced an additional 80 million dollars for the granting councils: 34 million for CIHR, 34 million for NSERC and 12 million for SSHRC. There has been criticism that these increases, targeted to government research priorities, were effected without sufficient consultation with the research community. Budget benefits for students include the establishment of a mean's tested Canada Student Grant Program (350 million in 2009 with an increase to 430 million by 2012) and 25 million for new Canada Graduate Scholarships for PhD students. In addition, 21 million over 2 years will be used to establish up to 20 Canada Global Excellence Research Chairs.

CPA advocates for research unilaterally and in concert with other associations with membership in groups such as the Canadian Consortium for Research (CCR), the Canadian Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental health and the Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada. The Executive Director has a May 2008 meeting with the outgoing Chair of the CCR to discuss issues and directions as she takes over as CPA's representative to this consortium.

### **Mental Health Research**

One hundred and ten million dollars has been promised to the Mental Health Commission of Canada for research into mental illness and homelessness.

In 2008, as mentioned, CPA authored its final report on the development of a web-based sentinel surveillance system in mental health for which we had received a \$125,000 grant from the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) in 2007. PHAC was particularly interested in the mental health activities of psychologists since increasingly psychological service is provided outside of the public health system. PHAC realized that in an effort to understand as much as it could about the mental health problems of Canadians and about the services provided to them, they would need to collect data from psychologists – the single largest, regulated, specialized provider group of mental health services in Canada. With the 2007 grant, the CPA was able to

develop and administer a web-based surveillance survey using a real-time sampling methodology adapted in consultation with the Practice Directorate of APA. Through this set of surveys, we were able to begin collecting data on the demographic and practice characteristics of a sample of licensed psychologists and psychological associates and collect demographic, clinical and treatment characteristics of randomly selected clients (psychologists' reports were anonymous and they reported on clients without identifiers). In 2008, the PHAC advised the CPA of a targeted solicitation to further develop this sentinel work and we have applied for approximately \$600,000 to be used for sentinel surveillance of psychologists over the course of two years. We hope to hear of our success in securing this contribution by July 2008.

**SSHRC:** CPA's Incoming President, Dr. Catherine Lee, the President of the CCDP, Dr. Keith Dobson and CPA's Executive Director met SSHRC in April 2008 to discuss SSHRC funding for master's level students in psychology who are admitted into doctoral programmes post-baccalaureate. In the absence of a formally designated master's programme or degree, these students, who are one-year post baccalaureate, must compete with doctoral students for SSHRC funding. We had an opportunity to discuss the varying models of training in psychology and received assurances from SSHRC that they are willing to further address this issue with us. Drs. Lee and Cohen plan to followup with SSHRC following the June convention.

**Consultations:** CPA was invited to participate in an initiative of the Centre for Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), to contribute to the development of an inventory of established and emerging **chronic disease modifiable risk factors and determinants**. CPA has been able to contribute to this work in presenting work and introducing researchers that speak to risk factors in chronic psychological conditions but also to psychological factors as determinants of health and disease. Dr. Cohen participated as a member of the **Experts Committee for Human Research Protection in Canada**, appointed through Health Canada, to look at the development of oversight mechanisms and systems for Research Ethics Boards in Canada as concerns research with humans – this to contribute to the safety of research and the efficiency of ethical review in the service of research. The final report of this Committee is due imminently.

## **PRACTICE**

**Emergency Preparedness and Response:** The CPA continues its participation in several activities at the invitation of the Public Health Agency of Canada in the area of emergency preparedness. These include train the trainer workshops for emergency response, surveys of emergency responders in the public sector, emergency response with vulnerable populations (e.g. seniors), and psychosocial research into emergency response and preparedness.

**Practice Tools: The Canadian Collaborative Mental Health Initiative (CCMHI)**, an interdisciplinary initiative initially funded through the Primary Health Care Transition Fund, is pursuing further funding in order to develop and implement collaborative care training programmes for health professionals in mental health and to revise and disseminate collaborative practice toolkits across a variety of sectors and client populations. CPA continues to sit on the Steering and Management Committees of the CCMHI.

**Advocacy for access to psychological services:** CPA plans to partner with CPAP in the engagement of a public relations firm to develop and implement a national advocacy strategy for psychology – this to promote public and government awareness of psychological services as a prerequisite to advocating for access. Though this is a practice rather than science advocacy initiative, it is CPA's position that good science informs practice and good practice informs

science in mental health.

**Consultations:** CPA continues to consult to the Canadian Revenue Agency (Canadian IRS) on the **fair assessment of the eligibility of persons with disabilities** related to mental functions for disability tax credits. CPA authored an article for practitioners (psychologists, physicians) deemed qualified to attest to eligibility in the area of mental functions in which we offered some guidance in interpreting the eligibility criteria for the Disability Tax Credit (DTC). <http://www.cpa.ca/cpaweb/userfiles/Documents/advocacy/tax%20credit.pdf>

**G7:** CPA is a member of this group of national health care associations outside of medicine and nursing organized to advocate for the needs of this important health human resource that operates both within and outside of the public health sector. The G7 recently met with the Director General of the Health Care Policy Directorate of Health Canada and had a fruitful discussion about health human resource, interprofessional education and collaboration, and barriers to inter-professional collaboration and access to service.

**Health Action Lobby (HEAL):** This a large group of health care providers and organizations plans to approach Health Canada for funding for a National Health Human Resources Fund the objectives of which are to address training, infrastructure, and improve data management capacity among health care providers.

## TRAINING

**Accreditation:** In January 2008, the APA stopped accepting new applications for accreditation from Canadian programmes and as of September 2015 all APA terms of accreditation in Canada will cease. As mentioned in 2007, this decision was supported by the CPA Accreditation Panel, its Board of Directors and 78% of all CPA-accredited programmes.

The CPA is very pleased that at our request the ASPPB adopted a public statement asking its member regulators that they treat CPA accreditation equivalently to APA accreditation and, if this is not possible (due to legislation for example), that a graduate from a CPA accredited programme not be considered ineligible for licensure in any North American jurisdiction on the basis of the accreditation status of their training alone.

<http://www.asppb.org/licensure/license/general.aspx>

The CPA has been working to identifying the few barriers to hire and licensure for graduates of CPA accredited programmes and has met with the Florida Board of Psychology as well as with representatives of the U.S. Veteran's Administration Hospitals on this topic.

CPA is very interested in resuming discussions with international colleagues about developing international mechanisms of accreditation in professional psychology.

**Recruitment and funding:** Although supply generally meets demand in terms of internship training in Canada, that is not so within certain jurisdictions. One jurisdiction has only half the number of internship spots for the number of doctoral students who need them annually and another has no funding for internship training. CPA has had some preliminary discussions about funding for internship training and plans to pursue this issue in 2008-09. Internship training is an important vehicle for staff recruitment – also a challenge in some jurisdictions where it has become increasingly difficult to attract qualified applicants.

It was **MOVED** (Pyke/Cole) and **CARRIED** that the report of the Executive Director be received.

## 4.2 Finance

### 4.2.1 Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ending December 31, 2007

Dr. Cohen presented and received questions on the 2007 audited financial statements as examined by KPMG.

It was **MOVED and CARRIED** (Church/Gauthier) that the 2007 Audited Financial Statements be received.

### 4.2.2 Appointment of Auditors

It was **MOVED** (Dobson/Ritchie) that KPMG be reappointed auditors of the Canadian Psychological Association for the current year. **CARRIED**

## 5.0 Committee Reports

### 5.1 By-Laws, Rules and Procedures

The Chair of the Committee on By-Law, Rules and Procedures, Dr. Robert J. Vallerand reviewed the rationale of the proposed amendments.

#### 5.1.1 By-Law Amendments

##### 5.1.1.1 By-Law I.1. Fellows

**Be it resolved that By-Law I.1 Fellows be amended to read as follows:**

Fellows shall be Members of the Association who have made a distinguished contribution to the advancement of the science or profession of psychology or who have given exceptional service to their national or provincial associations.

The Committee on Fellows shall review nominations for the status of Fellow in CPA and make recommendations for election to Fellow status to the Board of Directors, which ultimately shall elect the nominees to Fellow status.

- a) The Committee on Fellows shall consist of the Chair and six members.
- b) The Chair of the Committee on Fellows shall be the most immediate Past-President of the Association, whether or not a Fellow himself or herself;
- c) Only CPA Fellows shall be eligible to serve as members on this committee.
- d) All Fellows shall be invited by the Chair to nominate Fellows to

serve on the Committee on Fellows.

- e) The Chair and the Members of the Committee on Fellows shall not be nominators or proposers of nominees during their term.
- f) Appointments to the Committee on Fellows shall be made by the Board of Directors from the nominations submitted by the Chair of the Committee.
- g) The Committee on Fellows shall, as far as practicable, be formed with due regard to gender balance, linguistics balance, geographical balance, academic and practitioner balance, and degree level balance (Masters and doctoral), so as to have representatives from three constituencies: 1) Practice, 2) Science, and 3) Education and Training.
- h) Members shall serve for terms of three years, rotating so that one-third of the membership is reconstituted each year. Terms of members shall be renewable, but only after a hiatus of at least three years following the end of one's term.

It was **MOVED** (Gauthier/Veitch) that the amendment be adopted.

#### 5.1.1.2 By-Law IV - Directors

**Be it resolved that By-law IV.1. f) be amended as follows:**

##### 1. Board of Directors

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of:

- a) The immediate Past-President;
- b) The President;
- c) The President-Elect;
- d) Three Directors, one of which to represent each of: Scientists, Scientist-Practitioners, Practitioners, and one being elected each year for a term of three years by the Fellows and Members of the Association as hereinafter provided.
- e) Three Directors-at-large, one being elected each year for a term of three years by the Fellows and Members of the Association as hereinafter provided.
- f) A presidential officer or other designated elected officer of the Council of Professional Associations of Psychologists (CPAP).
- g) A presidential officer or other designated elected officer of the Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology (CCDP).
- h) A presidential officer or other designated elected officer of the Canadian Psychological Association's Section on Students.

It was **MOVED** (Frain/Snyder) that the amendment be adopted.

## **CARRIED**

### 5.2 Elections

#### 5.2.1 2008 Election Results

Dr. Karen Cohen, Chair of the Elections Committee, announced the results of the recent election:

Dr. Martin Antony was duly elected President-elect; Dr. David Dozois was elected by acclamation for the seat of Scientist; Dr. Peter Graf was elected by acclamation for the seat of Director-at-large reserved for a scientist working within the NSERC mandate; and Dr. Lorne Sexton was elected by acclamation for the seat of Practitioner.

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** (Pyke/Aubé) that the report from the Chair of the Elections Committee be received.

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** (Nicholson/Mcillwraith) that the 2008 ballots be destroyed.

### 5.3 Membership

The President noted that the membership report is available in the Annual Report circulated at the meeting and was also available on the CPA website.

#### 5.3.1 Recognition of deceased members since June 2007

The President called for a moment of silence in recognition of those members who had passed away in the past year:

Dr. Barry Beyerstein, Louise M. Campagna, Dr. Mary M. Chase, Dr. Clifford M. Christensen, Dr. Tad (Theodore) Crohn, Dr. Terrence P. Hogan, Dr. Robert M. Knights, Dr. Dorothy Mandel, Dr. W. Anthony Norton, Dr. Rudolph L. Philipp, and Dr. Kenneth Wiebe.

### 5.4 Other Committees

The President noted that the Annual Reports of the Committees have been circulated and they were also available on the CPA website.

He then introduced the Chairs of the Standing Committees for 2007-2008:

- By-Laws, Rules and Procedures: Dr. Robert J. Vallerand
- Convention: Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos
- Education and Training: Dr. Elizabeth Church
- Elections: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Ethics: Dr. Carole Sinclair
- Fellows and Awards: Dr. Robert J. Vallerand
- Membership: Dr. Catherine Lee
- Nominating: Dr. Robert J. Vallerand

- Professional Affairs: Dr. Ian Nicholson
- Publications: Dr. Peter Bieling
- Scientific Affairs: Dr. David Dozois
- Sections: Ms. Juanita Mureika

#### AD HOC COMMITTEES:

- Accreditation Panel: Dr. Jeffrey Derevensky
- International Relations: Dr. Janel Gauthier
- Past Presidents: Dr. Robert J. Vallerand
- Public Policy: Dr. Elizabeth Church and Ms. Juanita Mureika
- Task Force on the Supply and Demand of Psychologists in Canada: Dr. Elizabeth Church and Dr. Catherine Lee
- Task Force on Prescriptive Authority for Psychologists in Canada: Dr. Ian Nicholson
- Mission Congo: Dr. Nicole Aubé

#### 5.5 Journals

The President noted that journal reports had been circulated and introduced the current editors:

- *Canadian Psychology*: Dr. John Hunsley
- *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology*: Dr. Simon Grondin
- *Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science*: Dr. Greg Irving

#### 5.6 Sections

The President introduced the 2007-2008 Section Chairs:

- Aboriginal Psychology: Dr. Dana Bova
- Adult Development and Aging: Dr. Yves Turgeon
- Brain & Behaviour: Dr. Robert St. John
- Clinical: Dr. Deborah Dobson
- Clinical Neuropsychology: Dr. Grant Iverson
- Community Psychology: Dr. Cyndi Brannen
- Counselling: Dr. Vivian Lalande
- Criminal Justice: Dr. Jean Folsom
- Developmental: Dr. Jennifer Sullivan
- Environmental: Dr. Frederick Grouzet
- Family: Dr. Ranjana Jha
- Health: Dr. Tavis Campbell
- History & Philosophy: Dr. Angelina Baydala
- Industrial/Organisational: Dr. Steve Harvey
- International and Cross-Cultural: Dr. Saba Safdar
- Psychology in the Military: Dr. Peter Bradley
- Perception, Learning and Cognition: Dr. James M. Clark
- Psychoanalytic and Psychodynamic: Dr. Jon Mills
- Psychologists in Education: Dr. Joseph Snyder

- Psychopharmacology: Dr. David Nussbaum
- Psychology & Religion: Dr. Marvin McDonald
- Rural and Northern Psychology: Dr. Karen G. Dyck
- Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues: Kevin Alderson
- Sport Psychology and Exercise: Dr. Tricia Orzeck
- Social and Personality: Dr. Michael Wohl
- Students in Psychology: Ms. Lindsay Uman
- Substance Abuse/Dependence: Dr. David Teplin
- Teaching: Dr. Nicholas F. Skinner
- Traumatic Stress : Dr. Anne Dietrich
- Women and Psychology: Dr. Charlene Y. Senn

CPA Special Interest Groups:

- Psychophysiology: Dr. Alex Vincent

## 6.0 Affiliations

The President noted the major groups and agencies with which the Association has affiliations and the persons who represented CPA to these groups in 2007-2008:

- Canadian Consortium for Research: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Canadian Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology: Dr. Ian Nicholson
- Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science: Dr. David Dozois
- Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs: Dr. Elizabeth Church
- Correctional Service Canada: Ms. Yvette Thériault
- Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology: Dr. Keith Dobson
- Council of Provincial Associations of Psychologists: Dr. Jennifer Frain
- Canadian Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental Health: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Health Action Lobby: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences: Dr. Pat O'Neill
- International Union of Psychological Science: Dr. Janel Gauthier
- National Associations Active in Criminal Justice: Dr. Steve Wormith
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Canadian Collaborative Mental Health Initiative: Dr. Lorraine Breault/Dr. Karen Cohen
- Group of 7 Health Professions: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Chronic Disease Prevention Alliance of Canada: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Mental Health Support Network of Canada: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Public Health in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Canadian Coalition for Seniors Mental Health: Dr. Maggie Gibson
- Canadian Association of School Health: Dr. Karen Cohen
- Association of Accreditation Agencies of Canada: Dr. Karen Cohen

## 7.0 Annual Meetings 2009 and 2010

The President reports that the Annual General Meeting of 2009 will be held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 in Montréal, Québec and in Winnipeg, Manitoba, on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

## 8.0 Other Business

The President presented certificates to outgoing members of the Board:

- Dr. Elizabeth Church, member of the Board of Directors 2005-2008
- Dr. Ian Nicholson, member of Board of Directors 2002-2008
- Dr. Robert J. Vallerand, member of the Board of Directors, 2005-2008 and president 2006-2007

The President, Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, introduced the new President and passed the gavel onto the new President, Dr. Catherine Lee.

The new President presented the Past-President lapel pin to Dr. Hadjistavropoulos.

Dr. Lee expressed appreciation to Dr. Hadjistavropoulos for all his work during his term as President of CPA.

Dr. Lee said a few words and then requested the motion to adjourn the meeting.

## 9.0 Adjournment

It was **MOVED and CARRIED** (Snyder/Gauthier) that the 2008 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Psychological Association be adjourned.