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President's Report

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!

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, CPA President



Executive Director's Report

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 Dzinan, 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 20th, 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 a 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/cpsite/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 difficulty to attract qualified applicants.

Karen Cohen, Executive Director



Committee Reports

Administration

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COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS, RULES AND PROCEDURES

The members of the Committee for 2007-2008 were Chair, Robert J. Vallerand (Past-President) and Karen R. Cohen (Executive Director).

The proposed By-Law amendments to be presented to the June, 2008 Annual General Meeting are : By-Law I.1 - Fellows, and By-law IV – Directors.

Robert J. Vallerand, Chair.

COMMITTEE ON FELLOWS AND AWARDS

The members of the Committee for 2007-2008 were Past-President Robert J. Vallerand (Chair); Education & Training representatives: Janet Stoppard and Lorraine Radtke; Practice representatives: Olga Heath and Beth Mitchell; Science representatives: Richard Neufeld and David Dozois; Masters Degree representative: Juanita Mureika.

The following CPA members were nominated by the Committee and approved by the Board of Directors for the status of Fellow of the Association:

Jennifer A. Connolly
Dorothy Cotton
Wendy M. Craig
J. Thomas Dalby
Arla L. Day
Leendert P. Mos
John W. Pearce
Carl L. von Baeyer

The following CPA members and non-members were nominated by the Committee and approved by the Board of Directors for the 2008 CPA Awards:

- CPA Gold Medal Award for Distinguished Lifetime Contributions to Canadian Psychology:
Kenneth D. Craig



- CPA Award for Distinguished Lifetime Service to the Canadian Psychological Association: **Sandra W. Pyke**
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology: **David C. Zuroff**
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology as a Profession: **Debbie S. Moskowitz**
- CPA Donald O. Hebb Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology as a Science: **Vernon L. Quinsey**
- CPA Member of the Year Award: **John C. Service**
- CPA Distinguished Practitioner Award: **Randolph J. Paterson**
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Public or Community Service: **Wendy M. Craig and Debra J. Pepler**
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology: **Hank J. Stam**
- CPA Humanitarian Award: **Lieutenant-General the Honourable Roméo Dallaire**

In addition, the Committee had a number of discussions on the number of votes needed to be elected a Fellow. It was decided unanimously that the vote should be 6/8 (or 75%). Additional discussions focused on the procedures to be taken to elect Fellows. The following procedures were unanimously voted: Everyone submits an initial vote for each nominee via email (private) to the Chair. The summary of the votes are then forwarded to all committee members. A teleconference is then arranged to discuss the borderline or problematic cases. Following the teleconference, each person then decides to keep his or her rating for each candidate or to change it and send it to the Chair. Then the final votes get tallied by the Chair and the 6/8 (or 75%) criterion for deciding who is elected Fellow. Finally, discussions also took place with respect to naming awards after individuals. However, no clear recommendations came from these discussions.

Robert J. Vallerand, Chair

2008 President's New Researcher Award Recipients:

The members of the President's New Researcher Awards Review Committee for 2007-2008 were Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, CPA President and Committee Chair, Robert J. Vallerand, Past President, Catherine Lee, Present-elect, and David Dozois, Chair of Scientific Affairs Committee.

The following CPA members were recommended by the Committee and approved by the Board of Directors for the 2008 President's New Researcher Awards:

Martin Drapeau
Judy Eaton
Marie-Christine Ouellet

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Members of the Committee for 2007-2008 were Karen R. Cohen (Chair), Juanita Mureika and Robert J. Vallerand. Ballots were counted at Head Office on March 14th with the assistance of Marie-Christine Pearson (delegated on behalf of the Past-President), Ann-Marie Plante (delegated on behalf of the Chair of Sections), and Renée Bertrand.



- Dr. **Martin Antony** was duly elected President-elect;

The following members were elected by acclamation

- Dr. **David Dozois** for the seat of Scientist;
- Dr. **Peter Graf** for the seat of Director-at-large reserved for a scientist working within the NSERC mandate;
- Dr. **Lorne Sexton** for the seat of Practitioner.

Karen R. Cohen, Chair

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The members of the committee were Robert J. Vallerand (Chair), Gaétan Losier, Luc Pelletier and Kim Noels (Sub-Committee on At-Large Board Seats), Deb Dobson, David Nussbaum and Steve Harvey (Sub-Committee on Designated Board Seats).

This year, nominations were required for President-Elect, one Director at-large Reserved for a scientist working within the NSERC mandate, one director Scientist and one Practitioner.

The call for nominations appeared in the summer and fall issues of Psynopsis and was also circulated to CPA section chairs, the chairs of departments of psychology and to the CPA membership through e-mail.

In accordance with By-Law IX, the Sub-committee on At-large Board Seats, the Sub-committee on Designated Board Seats and the Nominations Committee sitting as a Committee of the Whole reviewed nominees and confirmed that all candidates were properly nominated, were CPA members in good standing and were eligible for nomination in their respective categories. The Executive Director, in her capacity as Chair of the Elections Committee, was so informed.

The Nomination Committee expresses its appreciation to those members who allowed their names to stand for nomination and its congratulations to those who will join the Board.

As Chair, I offer my thanks to the members of the Committee and to Marie-Christine Pearson for her assistance.

Robert J. Vallerand, Chair

COMMITTEE OF PAST-PRESIDENTS

The role of the Committee of Past-Presidents is to advise and assist the Board of Directors and the Presidential Officers whenever appropriate. The Committee met at the 2007 Convention to discuss various issues of interest to the Association.

Robert J. Vallerand, Chair



Membership

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Peter Bieling (Hamilton), Christine Chambers (Dalhousie), S. Hélène-Deacon (Dalhousie), Catherine M. Lee (Ottawa), Amanda Lints-Martindale (Regina), Martin Provencher (Laval), Kelly Smith (Queens), Bill Whelton, (Alberta).

During 2007-2008, the Membership committee worked on implementation of initiatives from the Strategic plan that was drawn up in 2006 with the goal of increasing the proportion of Canadian psychologists and psychology trainees who are members of CPA. In addition to the meeting at the 2007 conference, the committee held a teleconference and communicated via email.

Campus representatives. Letters were sent to universities that did not have faculty representatives known as *Friends of CPA*, targeting individuals who are already involved in some capacity in CPA. Response to the letters was positive: 42 Canadian universities now have campus student representatives; 1 US university now has a CPA campus representative; 31 Canadian universities have 'Friends of CPA'.

Conference workshop on graduate school applications. This workshop is designed to appeal to students in all areas of Psychology who are considering applying to graduate school. It will be presented at the Halifax conference by representatives of the student section (Annie Drouin, University of Ottawa and Roxanne Sterniczuk, University of Calgary) and Catherine M. Lee (University of Ottawa).

Student recruitment poster. The student section worked with the membership committee on a bilingual recruitment poster that has been sent to campus representatives.

Membership benefits: The committee discussed a variety of member benefits that could be offered. We agreed that it is most consistent with CPA's mission of *advancing psychology for all*, to offer information as widely as possible, rather than restricting it to members. The website has been modified to highlight some of the financial benefits of membership.

The Table below shows the membership numbers for December 31, 2007 with the 2006 numbers presented for comparison purposes.

	December 2007 Closing Statistics	December 2006 Closing Statistics
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	6313	5921
CPA Member	4045	3994
CPA Fellow	205	201
Honourary Life Member/Fellow	235	238
Student	1703	1361
International Affiliate	27	29
International Student Affiliate	7	7
Retired Fellow	8	6
Retired member	42	48
Special Affiliate	41	37



	December 2007 Closing Statistics	December 2006 Closing Statistics
Demographic Information*		
Male	2297	2253
Female	4016	3637
Primary Language English	5765	5439
Primary Language French	548	488
Journal/Newspaper Distribution		
CP	5969	5615
CJBS	4735	4507
CJEP	769	738
Psynopsis	6055	5682

The data indicate that the trend for increased membership is continuing, with an increase of 392 members over the 2006 figures. The greatest increase in membership is among students—suggesting that the enthusiastic campus recruitment is bearing fruit. As today's student members represent the future for psychology, this is excellent news. There has also been a 12% increase in the numbers of francophone members.

Catherine M. Lee, Chair



Communications

Committee on Sections
Committee on Public Policy
Committee on International Relations
Canadian National Committee

COMMITTEE ON SECTIONS

The Committee on Sections launched the past year with an afternoon meeting of Chairs focused on the Sections' role in supporting the CPA Strategic Plan, and a dinner meeting with the CPA Board at the 2007 Convention. The Chairs' dinner with the Board has become an annual event, and offers a special opportunity for dialogue and camaraderie among those who offer so much to the activities of CPA.

Two new Sections have been created since June 2007. The **Section on Substance Abuse/Dependence** was approved by e-mail in August, and the **Section of Aboriginal Psychologists** was approved by the Board at the November meeting. In working through the process of gaining approval for these Sections, several things were identified as needing clarification in the Section Chairs' Manual; specifically, the parameters of the role of the student member of the Section executive. Our intention is to review the Operations Manual and clarify this role.

Petitions have been received for Section by-law update approvals from the **Clinical Section, Rural and Northern Psychology, Sports and Exercise Section**, and the **Student Section**. The new **Section on Substance Abuse/ Dependence** and the **Aboriginal Psychology Section** have proceeded to develop their bylaws for approval by the Board.

As an outcome of the Ambassador Program of the Board at their meeting in London, Ontario in March, the question was raised as to whether there might be interest among the membership of developing a new **Section of Psychologists with Disabilities**. Anyone wishing to pursue the development of such a Section is welcome to discuss the steps to be taken with CPA Head Office.

The Student Section has established an Executive position for Communications. The responsibilities of this position include translation of documents and e-mails sent to members on the listserve. This creative solution addresses a frequently raised need for document translation by Sections. At this time, there is no provision for this service by CPA, however Head Office is willing to look at requests on a case by case basis to see what might be arranged. It has been my pleasure to serve as Board Liaison to the Sections this year.

Juanita Mureika, Chair



COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY

Members: Juanita Mureika and Elizabeth Church (Co-Chairs), Karen Cohen, Jennifer Frain, Wendy Josephson, Linda McMullen, Cameron Norman, Patrick O'Neill, Daniel Perlman, Sandra Pyke, Lisa Serbin, Don Sharpe, Bob Vallerand, Steve Wright

The Committee continues to work towards determining the scope of its mandate. There is general agreement that the focus for the Committee will be issues related to violence. There has been extensive discussion about how best to move this forward, and the Committee is in the process of formulating specific goals and a timetable.

Sherri Torjman, Vice-President of the Caledon Institute of Social Policy, has been invited by the Committee to give a keynote talk at the 2008 convention in Halifax. She will speak about the impact psychology can have upon the development of social policy. There will also be a panel discussion by Canadian psychologists about their work in public policy development.

Juanita Mureika & Elizabeth Church, Co-Chairs

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The International Relations Committee (IRC) for 2007-2008 consisted of Janel Gauthier (Chair), John Berry (Secretary), John Adair, Ozge Akcali, Gira Bhatt, Anthony Dugbartey, Gary Latham, Soosan Latham, Kimberly Noels, Pierre Ritchie, Michel Sabourin, Saba Sadfar, Sonia Singh, Peter Suedfeld, Randal Tonks, Robert Vallerand (CPA Board Representative) and Marta Young.

The Committee oversees and makes recommendations on matters pertaining to CPA's representation and activities in international psychology.

A work plan involving clearly identified actions for 2007-2008 was adopted by the Committee at its meeting in Ottawa on June 7, 2007. I am pleased to report that most of it has been realised. First, a series of four articles drafted under the auspices of the Committee has been published in *Psynopsis* to inform CPA members about major activities in international psychology (research, service, congress, etc.). Second, the Committee has submitted a proposal for an invited speaker jointly with some CPA sections (namely, the International and Cross-Cultural section and the Social and Personality) for the 2008 CPA Convention. The purpose of the proposal was to bring international psychology to CPA members who will have the opportunity to interact with international leaders. For 2008, the Committee has suggested inviting Shalom Schwartz, a former president of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology, and the proposal was accepted by the CPA Board of Directors. Third, thanks to Randal Tonks, a new web page has been created in the IRC section of the CPA web site in order to provide expanded versions of articles on international affairs published in *Psynopsis*, documents such as the statement of the International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU) on the free circulation of scientists, information about the involvement of CPA members in international psychology, and links from our web page to other web sites providing information about activities in international psychology. All members are invited to forward their suggestions to the International Relations Committee for improving the web page on international affairs in the coming year. Fourth, actions were taken to address issues related to the free circulation of scientists because some researchers whose paper had been accepted by CPA for presentation were denied entry to Canada by Canadian authorities in 2006 and 2007.



Other activities for 2007-2008 included representations on international associations:

- **International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS):** See the report of the Canadian National Committee (CNC) of the National Research Council for the International Union of Psychological Science. The CNC is the body responsible for Canada's membership and representation within the IUPsyS (see www.iupsys.org for further details).
- **International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP):** The objectives of the IAAP are to promote the advancement of applied psychology around the world, chiefly through its quadrennial International Congresses of Applied Psychology and the journal *Applied Psychology: An International Review* (see www.iaapsy.org for further details). The IAAP has only individual members. Canada is represented on the IAAP Board of Directors by John Berry (Member-at-Large), Janel Gauthier (Secretary-General), Robert Gifford (President of Division on Environmental Psychology), Esther Greenglass (President of Division on Health Psychology), and Richard Young (President of Division on Counselling Psychology). The IAAP Board of Directors will meet in Berlin on July 25 & 26, 2008. The next International Congresses of Applied Psychology will be held in Melbourne, Australia (July 11-16, 2010) and Paris, France (2014).
- **International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP):** The IACCP promotes research and communication within cross-cultural psychology through its biennial congresses and its publications: *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, the *Cross-Cultural Psychology Bulletin*, and biennial congress proceedings volumes (see www.iaccp.org for further details). Kimberly Noels serves on the IACCP Executive Council as Regional Representative for North America. The next IACCP congress will be held in Bremen, Germany, July 27-31, 2008.
- **InterAmerican Society of Psychology (ISP/SIP):** The membership of SIP (the Spanish-language acronym) is made up of individual psychologists. The organization coordinates activities on behalf of psychology in the Americas, publishes the *Interamerican Journal of Psychology*, and organizes Interamerican congresses every two years (see www.sipsych.org for further details). Janel Gauthier represents Canada and the United States on the SIP Board of Directors. The next SIP congress will be held in Guatemala, June 28-July 2, 2009.
- **Other International Psychology Organizations.** CPA Members/Fellows are encouraged to bring to the attention of the Committee their involvement in other international societies and associations.

Janel Gauthier, Chair

CANADIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA FOR THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE

The Canadian National Committee (CNC) for 2007-2008 consisted of Janel Gauthier (Chair), John Berry (*ex-officio*, Secretary), Kenneth Craig (member-at-large – health science), Franco Lepore (member-at-large – neuro/bio/behavioral science), Pierre Ritchie (*ex-officio*) and Michel Sabourin (*ex-officio*), Robert Vallerand (CPA Board representative) and Jennifer Veitch (member-at-large – social science).

The Canadian National Committee (CNC) is the body responsible for Canada's membership and representation within the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS). It was created through an agreement between the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA), and the National Research Council of Canada (NRC), which jointly with CPA supports Canada's affiliation with



IUPsyS. It is tied through its membership to the CPA Board of Directors and the CPA International Relations Committee (IRC). The IUPsyS is an international organization of national associations of psychology that promotes psychology's presence and involvement in international arenas. It sponsors the quadrennial International Congress of Psychology and publishes the *International Journal of Psychology* and a CD-ROM *Psychology: IUPsyS Global Resource* (see www.iupsys.org for further details). The General Assembly meets biennially.

The most important activity of the CNC over the past year has involved completing and submitting the Annual Performance Review Questionnaire for the renewal of support of Canada's affiliation with IUPsyS within the NRC International Affiliation Grant Transfer Program. The Annual Performance Review is used by the NRC ICSU Secretariat and the Committee on International Science, Technology, and Engineering (CISSET) to assess the impact of Canada's International Affiliations. Only the strongest candidates are considered for continued support. It gives me great pleasure to report that the CNC was successful in obtaining the renewal of NRC support to IUPsyS. Thanks to everyone for their contributions and special thanks to Jennifer Veitch for her help. She did a sterling job under exceptional and unforeseen circumstances.

Another important activity has involved the development of criteria for nominating Canadian invited speakers and symposia conveners for the International Congress of Psychology. A draft proposal prepared by John Berry was discussed. A revised proposal and a nomination form will be considered for adoption later this year. This work is being done in preparation for the nominations that will be made in 2009 for the 2012 International Congress of Psychology in Cape Town, South Africa.

Still another important activity has involved calling nominations and conducting an election to fill in a vacant position on the CNC. I am pleased to report that Franco Lepore was elected to represent neuro/bio/behavioral science on the Committee for a term of three years (2007-2010). He follows Douglas Mewhort whose term ended in 2007. CPA Members/Fellows will be invited in the fall issue of *Psynopsis* to nominate for a member-at-large position on the CNC representing health science. Health scientists interested in international affairs are strongly encouraged to run for the position.

The next IUPsyS General Assembly will be held during the International Congress of Psychology in Berlin, July 21-25, 2008. Canada is entitled to two delegates and two votes at the General Assembly. John Berry and I will attend the meeting as Canadian delegates appointed by the CPA Board of Directors to represent Canada. Pierre Ritchie and Michel Sabourin will attend the 2008 General Assembly as Secretary-General and Treasurer of IUPsyS, respectively. The General Assembly will elect new Officers and new Members of the Executive Committee in Berlin. The CNC has nominated Michel Sabourin for the position of Treasurer. As Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee for the Development of a Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists, which is under the auspices of the IUPsyS as well as the International Association of Applied Psychology and the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology, I will present a progress report to the General Assembly and submit for adoption the third draft of the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists*.

In 2005, the NRC decided unilaterally to contribute to the reimbursement of travel expenses of only one delegate to the IUPsyS General Assembly. I regret to report the CNC has not changed its position in spite of repeated protests. However, I am pleased to report that the CPA Board of Directors has agreed to support one Canadian delegate to the 2008 General Assembly. It follows that both delegates will have financial support to attend the General Assembly in Berlin. This is an improvement over 2006. The CNC hopes that the CPA Board of Directors will continue to support Canadian delegation to the IUPsyS General Assembly.

Janel Gauthier, Chair



Dissemination

Publications Committee
Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science
Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology
Canadian Psychology

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Committee Members: John Hunsley, Editor, CP, Greg Irving, Editor, CJBS, Simon Grondin, Editor, CJEP, Christine Chambers, Member at Large, Wendy Josephson, Member at Large, Jo-Anne Lefevre, Member at Large, Hank Stam, Member at Large, Peter Graf (CSBBCS representative)

During 2007-2008, the Publications committee focused on the implementation of the publication agreement with APA, the relationship between BBCS and CPA in the publication domain, and the establishment of a CPA Press.

CPA Press

The committee has continued to discuss and formalize the formation of the Canadian Psychological Association Press/Les Presses de la Société Canadienne de Psychologie. Various legal and logistical issues have been resolved including the establishment of appropriate intellectual property protections, registration of name and trademark, contracts language, and submission guidelines/procedures. An announcement concerning the press and a call for submissions were also placed on the CPA website. There have also been preliminary discussions with potential authors for an “inaugural” project.

The aim of Canadian Psychological Association Press/Les Presses de la Société Canadienne de Psychologie is to publish books in either French or English that are in keeping with the CPA mission statement; improving the health and welfare of all Canadians and promoting excellence and innovation in psychological research, education, and practice. Canadian Psychological Association Press/Les Presses de la Société Canadienne de Psychologie is especially interested in work promoting excellence and innovation in psychological research, education, and practice, and topics of special relevance to Canadian psychologists.

CPA and CSBBCS

In October Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS) membership voted to increase dues and make an electronic subscription to CJEP part of every member's right. The agreement also resulted in a new masthead for CJEP, and the introduction of a CSBBCS member on the publication committee. Finally, in collaboration with CSBBCS there is an active search for the next editor of CJEP in progress.

CPA-APA Publication Agreement

The final contract between CPA and APA was signed at a meeting at CPA offices on July 20th, 2007. This marked the culmination of a great deal of hard work by the publication committee, but especially past-chair of the committee Wendy Josephson. The ensuing months involved a considerable level of detail to successfully implement the agreement so that in early 2008 the “new” process for submission, review, translation, proofing, assignment of copyright, and printing could be up and running. At this point in time, the new process has been in place for an issue of each journal. As might be expected with such a complex operation, there have been a number of issues involving both content and style that have arisen and discussed extensively



with APA. The feedback of editors, the committee, and members of CPA has been well received by APA and a number of changes will be made going forward. Similar issues were also resolved at a progress meeting between representatives from CPA and APA in Washington, D.C. From a marketing perspective the agreement with APA will allow our journals to be much more visible. This is true both nationally (CPA journals have already increased institutional penetration by 76% *within Canada* from 79 institutions to 130) and a potential 900% increase in worldwide institutional reach.

Peter J. Bieling, Chair

CANADIAN JOURNAL OF BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE

Editorial Details. This past year I served as Editor of CJBS. Dr. Michel Claes continued serving as the Associate Editor for French manuscripts.

Editorial Assistant. Amanda Nosko served as the Editorial Assistant for 2007.

Manuscripts. A total of 54 English manuscripts were received in 2007. This total represents an increase from the 42 English manuscripts received in 2006. Eighty-two percent of the manuscripts originated from Canada, and 36% were first-authored by a female. As of April 15, 2008, 11% of the manuscripts were accepted for publication, 61% were rejected, and the remaining manuscripts are in various stages of review.

There were 65 French manuscripts received in 2007 of which 39 were new and 26 revisions of manuscripts submitted in previous years. Approximately 60% of these manuscripts originated from within Canada and 60% had a female as first author. Of the 65 manuscripts, 25% were accepted for publication and 25% were rejected. The remaining manuscripts are in various stages of review.

Production for 2007. A total of 4 journal issues (Volume 39) were published in 2007. The volume was 338 pages long and consisted of 26 articles.

Timelines. For manuscripts received in 2007, the mean interval between receipt of a manuscript and the mailing of a decision letter (editorial interval) is 3.15 months.

Budget. The editorial budget was maintained at the same levels compared to the previous year.

Summary. Overall, journal operations went well this past year. As of January 1, 2008, we made the transition to APA's Journal Back Office (JBO) system whereby all manuscripts and reviews are now processed electronically via the internet. The transition is going quite smoothly and is resulting in reduced turnaround times for manuscript reviews. I expect that the new system will create significant efficiencies for the journal. My goal for 2008 will be to continue reducing the average time to a first editorial decision to between 2-3 months. I thank the Editorial Board members and the many anonymous reviewers for their support and contributions to the editorial process.

Greg Irving, Editor



CANADIAN JOURNAL OF EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

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The main highlight for 2007 was that the *CJEP* became the official journal for the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS). Here is what Wendy Josephson, Chair of the CPA Publications Committee, had to say in her letter which was published in the March 2008 issue of the journal: "Under this agreement, CSBBCS has named *CJEP* as its representative publication, and will provide an electronic subscription to *CJEP* as a benefit of members to CSBBCS. It will encourage its members to submit work to *CJEP* as the Canadian journal representative of the research supported by NSERC's GSC 12 Committee. A seat on the CPA Publications Committee will be added for a representative of CSBBCS. The abstracts from the CSBBCS annual conference will be published in an expanded issue of *CJEP*, and the CSBBCS Hebb Award address will be published annually in *CJEP*. This agreement formalizes and strengthens the longstanding contributions that CSBBCS members have made to *CJEP* as authors, reviewers, editorial board members, editors and associate editors." As I did last year, I would like to point out the exceptional work that Wendy has accomplished on this project, as well as the work of Carolyn Harley as CSBBCS President who spoke on behalf of that organization's board.

As well, 2007 marked the beginning of the partnership between CPA and APA. The agreement included *CJEP*'s use of JBO as well as APA's publishing services. Since the current *CJEP* editorial board would accept new manuscripts for one year only (2008) following implementation of the system, it was agreed that JBO would not be used by *CJEP* to receive new proposals for 2008. However, JBO would be used to prepare each issue of the journal starting in 2008 to facilitate the work of APA's publishing service.

Also, in 2007 Bruce Milliken had to leave his position as associate editor. Bruce was so busy that it was difficult for him to render his decisions to the authors within a reasonable time-frame. University of Toronto professor Steve Joordens took on this challenge, and in March he became an associate editor. Steve as well as Peter Graf performed excellent work in 2007 as associate editors.

This past year, a special issue was published. Susan Lederman, from Queens, partnered with Roberta Klatzky as guest editors for the September edition which was entitled ***New Directions in Touch***.



During 2007, the *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology* received 76 new manuscripts (including a letter from Wendy Josephson). This rate of submissions was slightly higher than in 2006. We received the highest number of manuscripts in May and September, and the lowest number in July. All manuscripts were submitted electronically.

Of the 76 manuscripts, only 16 were written in French; 37 (including 2 in French) were from Canada, and 12 (including 4 in English) came from France. The other manuscripts originated from about one dozen other countries. Steve Joordens was responsible for evaluating 16 manuscripts, including two that had been previously assigned to Bruce Milliken. Peter Graf also evaluated 16 manuscripts.

In 2007, in addition to nine articles, and a preface that appeared in the September special issue on touch, the Journal had 15 regular articles, a reading abstract, three short communications, three articles from the *Canadian Laboratories* series, and finally, abstracts of the presentations to the 2007 CCBSCC annual conference.

Simon Grondin, Editor

CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGY

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Editorial Assistant for 2007: Robin Westmacott (University of Ottawa)

2007 Issues: In 2007, an editorial (which appeared in both English and French), 17 articles (plus an abbreviated French translation of the President's address), and 26 book reviews were published in the journal. Of articles, 41% were published in French; of the book reviews, 19% were published in French.

Manuscripts: During 2007, a total of 60 manuscripts were received and processed. Of these, 33 (55%) were in English and 27 (45%) were in French. Of the English manuscripts, 28 (85%) had first authors from within Canada; among the French manuscripts, 21 (78%) had first authors from within Canada.



Of the total of 60 manuscripts, 13 (22%) were rejected as inappropriate by the editors (primarily manuscripts that did not fall within the mandate of the journal), 10 (17%) were rejected after editorial review, and 37 (62%) were recommended for revision or were conditionally accepted (this included the award addresses from the 2007 CPA convention). Finally, 25 (42%) were eventually accepted for publication.

For initial submissions, the mean period between submission of the manuscript and informing authors of the editorial decision was 56 days (SD = 45 days). The review process was relatively long for some manuscripts because of challenges in obtaining reviews, due to the specialized content and/or the language of the manuscript. For those manuscripts that were revised and resubmitted, the mean period between resubmission and informing authors of the editorial decision was 16 days (SD = 18 days).

John Hunsley, Editor



Education

Accreditation
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ACCREDITATION PANEL

The members of the CPA Accreditation Panel in 2007 – 2008 were:

- Dr. Jeffrey Derevensky, Dept. of Educational & Counselling Psychology, McGill U. (Chair of the Panel)
- Dr. Peter Henderson, Dept. of Psychology, The Ottawa Hospital
- Dr. Anthony Dugbartey, Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission, U. of Victoria
- Dr. Tézéz Rétfalvi, École de psychologie, Université de Moncton
- Dr. Patrick Baillie, Psychology, Peter Lougheed Centre, Calgary General Hospital
- Dr. Mary Ann Mountain, Community Mental Health Services, St. Joseph's Care Group, Lakehead Psychiatric Hospital
- Dr. Marc-André Bouchard, Département de psychologie, Université de Montréal
- Ms. Darlene Walker (Student Member), Clinical Developmental Programme, York U.

The Panel was ably assisted by Dr. Angelo Caputo, Registrar, and Ms. Ann Marie Plante, Accreditation Assistant. The Chair-Elect of the Accreditation Panel (effective September 1, 2008) is Dr. Peter Henderson.

At its fall 2007 meeting, the Panel was pleased to grant re-accreditation to the Internship Programme in Clinical Psychology at the CDHA Nova Scotia and the Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Center, and to the Doctoral Programme in Clinical Psychology at the University of Waterloo, the University of Manitoba, and Queen's University.

The Panel was also pleased to grant re-accreditation to the Internship Programme in Clinical Psychology at Hamilton Health Sciences Center and in Clinical Neuropsychology at Hamilton Health Sciences Center – both were deferred decisions, retroactive to the 2005-06 academic year.

At its spring 2008 meeting, the Panel was pleased to grant re-accreditation to the Doctoral Programme in Clinical Psychology at the University of Victoria, Dalhousie University, and the University of Ottawa, and to the Internship Programme in Clinical Psychology at the Centre for Psychological Services - University of Ottawa, the Centre for Addiction & Mental Health, and the Kingston Consortium - Ongwanada.

As of May 5, 2007, the number of programmes by category accredited by CPA is as follows:

	Doctoral Programmes	Internship Programmes
Clinical Psychology	23	22
Counselling Psychology	4	3
School Psychology	0	0
Clinical Neuropsychology	1	2
TOTAL	28	27



The revision of the CPA Accreditation Standards and Procedures are ongoing. Dr. Karen Cohen has graciously undertaken the revision and we expect to have it completed by the conclusion of the 2008-09 academic year.

A site visitor training workshop is planned for the CPA Convention in Halifax (June, 2008). Accreditation will also be conducting its customary Conversation Session. We have also added another Conversation Session designed specifically to consult and gather feedback from the training community on the draft revision of the Accreditation Standards and Procedures manual.

Accreditation completed a survey of its accredited programmes and site visitors regarding a proposal to evaluate the site visit experience from the programme's perspective and provide feedback to site visitors on their performance. The data was analyzed and the Panel decided to pilot a procedure in which the Panel would provide individual feedback in the form of a narrative to the site visit team regarding their performance on a particular site visit. Accreditation is also planning to undertake a survey of its accredited programmes regarding the feasibility of creating a one-day per week rotation in a private practice setting as an option for the intern training year.

On September 30, 2007, a revision of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the CPA and the APA for concurrent accreditation of doctoral and internship training programmes in professional psychology received assent. Both accrediting bodies have agreed to continue with concurrent accreditation until September 1, 2015, at which point all APA terms of accreditation in Canada will expire. As of January 1, 2008, the APA no longer accepts new applications for accreditation of Canadian programmes. Only Canadian programmes accredited by the APA prior to January 1, 2008 have the option of applying to renew their CPA/APA accreditation up to September 1, 2015. As well, as of January 1, 2008, programmes that are being considered for concurrent re-accreditation will be accorded two separate terms of accreditation, one from each accrediting body. The term of accreditation accorded by APA, however, will terminate no later than September 1, 2015.

The Accreditation Panel has encouraged our accredited programmes to disseminate information about the revised MoU to all of its students and interns. We have also encouraged the programme directors to inform their students, interns, and prospective applicants about the programme's intentions regarding continued concurrent accreditation, the programme's current term of accreditation, and that accreditation is never guaranteed throughout the term of students' studies. Moreover, a programme must be accredited at the time the student completes the programme in order for the student to be able to declare that he/she graduated from an accredited programme.

CPA has strongly advocated for the quality of teaching and training provided by CPA-accredited doctoral and internship programmes with the U.S. regulators. It has always been our recommendation that members of ASPPB treat CPA and APA accreditation equivalently. At a minimum, however, we believe that graduates from CPA-accredited programmes should be eligible for licensure and not be precluded from licensure simply on the basis of having completed a CPA-accredited programme. We have successfully lobbied ASPPB to adopt a more explicit policy statement including a recommendation to its members that, to the extent that a regulator confers advantage to applicants who graduate from an APA-accredited programme, this advantage be equivalently accorded to graduates from CPA-accredited programmes. This statement can be found at: <https://www.asppb.org/licensure/license/general.aspx>

CPA is appreciative that the ASPPB has agreed to formally adopt an explicit policy on accreditation equivalency. CPA has actively disseminated this significant development to each individual state regulatory body as a way to further advocate for CPA accredited graduates. Our hope is that each U.S. regulatory board will follow the ASPPB's lead and likewise adopt a formal statement of equivalency.



The only U.S. jurisdiction in which CPA status alone is a barrier to licensure is the state of Florida. It is our understanding that Florida state law requires that the applicant who attends graduate school in the U.S. or Canada attend a programme that is accredited by a body that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (i.e., APA). This past April, Dr. Karen Cohen attended the General Meeting of the Florida Department of Health's Board of Psychology. At this meeting, the Florida Board suggested that we collaborate with the Florida Psychological Association in seeking legislative change.

The only other possible barrier to graduates from CPA-accredited-only programmes is the Veteran's Administration (VA) Hospitals, which require graduation from an APA-accredited programme for internship or hire. Dr. Cohen met with the VA officials in Washington in March to discuss their acceptance of students from CPA-accredited programmes. Her efforts were well-received and we are hopeful that an amendment to VA implementing regulations will become possible that will allow for graduates of CPA-accredited programmes to be eligible for internship or employment with the VA.

The Panel continues to invite interested CPA members across Canada to serve as a site visitor for the Accreditation Panel. We have experienced some difficulties recently in providing sufficient site visitors for programmes to assemble a site visit team, especially for francophone programmes in Quebec due to language restrictions and conflicts of interest. The CPA is dependent upon the volunteerism of professionals and academics to serve as site visitors and we are in need of new site visitors to replenish our roster. In addition to the site visitor training workshop scheduled at the CPA Convention in Halifax, we are planning a similar workshop in Ottawa for the fall 2008 to address this need.

Likewise, the Panel continues to seek out new members to help evaluate doctoral and internship training programmes in their accreditation, re-accreditation, or re-affirmation process. All positions on the Panel have been filled for the 2008-09 academic year, however there is the potential for the Panel to require four new members in 2009-2010 so the need is great.

Jeffrey L. Derevensky, Chair

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Members: Robert J. Vallerand, *Past Convention Chair and CPA Past President*; Catherine Lee, *CPA Incoming President and CPA Clinical Psychology Section*; Frederick Grouzet, *CPA Section on Environmental Psychology*; Juanita Mureika, *CPA Director Responsible for Sections*; Kathy Lachapelle-Petrin, *Convention Manager*; Kelly Smith, *CPA Students in Psychology Section*; William Smythe, *CPA Section on History and Philosophy of Psychology*; Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, *Convention Chair and CPA President*

The committee focused its efforts on ensuring the success of the Halifax Convention. Early indications suggested that the convention will be highly successful. Comparative submission data from our last maritime conference in St. John's and from our last convention in Halifax are provided below. Submission numbers were as follows (in addition to the pre-convention workshops, the section invited speakers and invited keynote addresses):

	2008 Halifax	2004 St. John's	1999 Halifax
Posters	714	421	377
Symposia	55	38	23
Theory Review	42	21	12
Conversation Sessions	39	32	15
Workshops	34	21	7
Oral Paper Sessions	7	10	3



The above table illustrates the tremendous growth that CPA conventions have experienced over the years.

Among many initiatives, in an effort to increase attendance by undergraduate students, we have planned a session geared toward this group. It is also noteworthy that we have also planned a special reception in honour of John Service. The reception will take place on Wednesday, June 11, 2008.

At the time of this writing (April 18, 2008) registrations are in progress and, based on the initial numbers, we are optimistic that we will break a new record for CPA maritime convention attendance. In addition, at the time of the writing, the host hotel (Mariott Waterfront is fully booked and arrangements had been made with a second hotel (the Delta Barrington) that is offering additional rooms to our delegates at a special rate. Moreover, invitations to the breakfast for first time presenters were sent out to 380 first time presenters and work on the abstract book has been progressing smoothly. Planning for all social events (Presidential Reception, CPA Social Event at Tall Ship Silva and Kitchen Party) is also progressing well.

Consistent with policies that have been adopted recently by the convention committee, we have invited two keynote speakers for the 2009 convention in Montreal. Both of them (David Barlow, Boston University and Elizabeth Loftus, University of California, Irvine) have accepted our invitations.

Next year the committee will consider ways of somewhat reducing the number of concurrent sessions in the convention in order to improve attendance levels for the various presentations. Future conventions are as follows: 2009 Montreal (June 11-13), 2010 Winnipeg (June 3-5), 2011 Toronto (June 2-4).

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the convention committee, the CPA staff, the sections of CPA and all psychologists and trainees who submitted abstracts for the 2008 Halifax convention.

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Chair

EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE

Members: Elizabeth Church (Chair), Peter Cornish, Jacqueline Goodwin, Lee Handy, Peter Henderson, Edward Johnson, Sharon Kahn, Linda McMullen, Patrick O'Neill, Lynne Robinson

Interprofessional Education in Canadian Graduate Training

The Education and Training Committee undertook two web-based surveys regarding interprofessional education in Canadian graduate psychology programs. Members of CCPPP were surveyed as were student members of CPA. Respondents were asked about the kinds of interprofessional education that were available in their programs, the barriers to its provision, and how CPA could support the development of interprofessional education in psychology training. The data analysis is still underway, but it appears that interprofessional education is in the beginning stages in psychology programs, with most taking place during internship.

**Task Force on Supply of Psychologists**

At the CPA Board meeting in March, the Board approved the “CPA Task Force on the Supply of Psychologists in Canada.” There is not a comprehensive assessment of whether there are enough psychologists in Canada to meet current demands or whether there will be to meet future needs. The mission of the task force is to examine issues related to the supply of, and demand for, psychologists in Canada. The co-chairs of the Task Force are Catherine Lee and Elizabeth Church. The Task Force will be constituted this Summer and will consult widely with psychologists across Canada and in different constituencies.

Continuing Education (CE) Program

CE applications continue to be reviewed at CPA head office by Angelo Caputo. Applications that fall outside the policies of the CE Standards are forwarded to the Education and Training Committee for further review. Currently there are fifteen CE Sponsors of ongoing programs in good standing (compared to nineteen in 2006-07). Over the past year, six individual workshops/programs were approved (compared to eighteen in 2006-07).

There are requests to grant CE credits for activities that are not covered by the Standards, especially conferences/conventions. These are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The Education & Training Committee is considering how to develop a broader framework for the CE program.

The membership database includes a section to record members’ CE activities. Members should be able to access their CE credits through the database within the year.

CPA Accreditation Program

Accreditation continues to be a flagship program for CPA, especially in light of APA’s decision to stop accrediting in Canada by 2015. CPA was successful in encouraging ASPPB to adopt a statement of equivalency regarding CPA and APA accreditation. CPA has also been discussing mobility issues with the state board in Florida and the VA Hospitals in the United States. A site visitor training workshop will be held at the convention and another is planned for the fall in Ottawa to help replenish the site-visitor roster. The fifth revision of the Accreditation Standards should be completed by year end. The Panel continues to be ably assisted by Angelo Caputo, Registrar, and Ann Marie Plante, Accreditation Assistant. The Chair-Elect of the Accreditation Panel is Peter Henderson.

Elizabeth Church, Chair



Ethics, Laws and Standards

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Members: Janel Gauthier, Lee Handy, Denise Larsen, Ian Nicholson, Pat O'Neill, Jean Pettifor, Pierre Ritchie, Carole Sinclair (Chair), Cannie Stark, Tom Strong, and Ivan Zinger

The Committee on Ethics is available to the CPA Board of Directors and Head Office staff to: (a) respond to questions from and provide consultation to CPA members, other psychology organizations, and members of the public regarding ethical issues/dilemmas; (b) generate formal opinions on specific questions/issues related to ethics; (c) consider the need for new guidelines for members; (d) develop new guidelines for approval by the Board; (e) handle complaints against CPA members; and (f) develop and/or provide educational resources for members. Over the past year, activities related to these responsibilities included:

- Responding to specific questions or requests from fifteen different individuals or organizations referred by CPA Head Office.
- Consultations to eleven CPA members regarding ethical dilemmas they were experiencing.
- Completion, by a CoE sub-committee, of a fourth draft of "Guidelines for Supervision: Teaching, Research, Practice and Administration." This draft is currently being distributed for focused consultation before submitting it to the Board for approval in principle, followed by distribution to the CPA membership at large for consultation. Members of the Sub-Committee are Jean Pettifor (Chair), Michelle McCarron, Greg Schoepp, Cannie Stark, and Don Stewart.
- Preparation of draft Code Interpretations regarding: (i) the use of academic titles in applied work; (ii) psychological practice in the context of end-of-life decisions and care; and (iii) psychological services through electronic media. It is anticipated that the all three draft statements will be available for dissemination to CPA members for consultation in the fall of 2008.
- Consideration of two ethics complaints regarding CPA Members.
- Continued work on an ethics page for the CPA website. It is anticipated that the page will be ready by the fall of 2008.
- Continued provision, in partnership with Captus Press, of the web-based CPA course "Being an Ethical Psychologist," which offers 15 CE credits.
<http://webclientsit.captus.com/cpa/courses.htm#BEP>
- Continued provision by members of the Committee of presentations and workshops on the *Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists*, both within and outside Canada.
- Planning of an "Ethics Update" symposium for the 2008 Convention in Halifax.

I would like to express my deep appreciation for the extraordinary dedication, and continued wisdom and support of the members of the Committee on Ethics, and for the invaluable assistance of the CPA staff in the work of the Committee.

Carole Sinclair, Chair



Practice

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The Professional Affairs Committee is composed of Kelly Smith, Jennifer Frain, Ester Cole, Marcia Barnes, Lorne Sexton, Steve Swallow, Barb BacksDermott, David Teplin, Philip Johnson, Tricia Orzeck, and Paul Jerry.

Professional Affairs continues to represent CPA with numerous external organizations, including the Canadian Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology (CRHSPP), Canadian Professional Associations of Psychology (CPAP), and PREVNet.

CPA is continuing discussions with the American Psychological Association around the possibility of developing a new CPA journal focusing on professional psychology in Canada. These were put on hold until after the current relationship was confirmed with APA regarding journal publishing. The idea would be to first survey the potential readership and authors for the journal to determine the need for such a journal in Canada. A first draft of a description of the journal has been developed and submitted to APA.

The third research survey of professional psychologists in Canada has now been completed. This one, centering on correctional services, will be reported (along with the previous hospital psychology and school psychology surveys) at the convention.

Following on meetings last year with the Canadian College of Family Physicians, we are moving forward with the development of a general psychological referral assessment form that can be used by Canadian physicians for referral to psychologists. The aim is for referrals to psychologists in private practice but the aim is to develop something that can be modified by psychologists in organizations such as hospitals and school boards. The Canadian College of Family Physicians forwarded one that they thought was very positive from the Vancouver General Hospital. This has been forward to various sections for their feedback.

We continue to solicit new fact sheets for the "Psychology Works" section of the CPA web site. New topics include Tourette Syndrome, Arthritis, Childhood Cancer, and Pediatric Palliative Care.

Ian R. Nicholson, Chair

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE PRACTICE

Objective :

Identify how CPA can best support members (and attract new ones) who are in Private Practice. As we know, a large segment of our membership is in part- or full time Private Practice. Although CPA already offers some tools on its website to members, the mission of this committee is to try to tailor its support specifically to private practitioners.

Member: Nicole Aubé

**Activities:**

- The concept of this new committee was the result of discussions arising from our Board meeting in February 2007.
- It was considered important to hear what members need and how we can assist them. A questionnaire was to be sent to members.
- In spring 2007, the first draft of a questionnaire to be e-mailed to members was written. The goal of soliciting our colleagues' opinion was: 1) to gather demographic data on Psychologists working in the Private Practice; 2) to determine current practice trends; 3) to understand the services CPA can provide to support them in the successful management of their independent practice; and 4) to assess the awareness of CPA members to products already provided on our web pages.
- The questionnaire was reviewed initially by John Service and Ian Nicholson late spring 2007 and subsequently by Karen Cohen in the fall of 2008. (Thank you for the support.)
- The questionnaire was completed and translated, and then sent to members via electronic means on April 24th 2008.
- The data were compiled in early May 2008. Appended to this report are the major results.
- With the help of Nigel Flear, I hope that during summer 2008 we will be able to have an extra page on the CPA website specifically offered to Private Practitioners.

I would like to express my appreciation to the above mentioned persons who have assisted me in this endeavour.

Nicole Aubé, Chair

MISSION CONGO TASK FORCE

Objective:

CPA Mission Congo' is a unique initiative organized by the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) in response to requests for psychological assistance made by the medical staff of the Panzi Hospital in Bakavu/Congo to Mr. Stephen Lewis who in turn directed the request to the CPA. The need for psychological assistance for women of the Congo who have been victims of sexual violence was paramount among the concerns identified by the staff of the Panzi Hospital. Further, medical staff also indicated a great need for psychological support and assistance for the health care providers themselves who vicariously experience the horrors lived through by their patients. The goal of this committee is to set up a Mission to send CPA Psychologists to DRC, most likely in a partnership with a recognized NGO.

Members: Nicole Aubé (chair) Jennifer Czincz (research assistant) Alan MacLeod, Heather McIntosh, Renato Pablo, Vivienne Rowan , Regan Shercliffe, Suzanne Simond, Margaret Weiser

Activities:

- December 2007: Conference call with Mr. Steven Lewis and several psychologists interested in the project. We realized that we clearly needed an NGO as a partner in order to provide a safe infrastructure for us in Congo.
- January and February 2008: I started to look for partners who could assist us: Medecins Sans Frontieres, Care Canada, Unicef.
- March 2008, establishment of a Task Force. CPA will provide financial support to hire Jennifer Czincz as a research assistant.
- Contact with Mrs. Paula Donovan from the Aids-Free-World Foundation (partner with Steven Lewis) who recommended that CPA Mission Congo should have:
1) a partner for the logistics and; 2) a funder for the financial aspect.



- April 2008, a draft proposal was sent to the new committee members and reviewed in a conference call. Further contacts with other NGO and international organizations were made.
- Contact with Dr. Luhiri (surgeon/ obstetrician) from Panzi Hospital. Dr. Lahirir will be in Ontario in the month of May/June 2008, and will be able to present in Quebec to French speaking psychologists. CPA will sponsor his presentation.
- May 5th 2008: Proposal sent to CPA Board of directors for review. The Board will review and discuss Mission Congo at their incoming meeting in June 2008, in Halifax
- April-May 2008: Multiple contacts with NGO, various organizations and persons who may be interested and have been in Bukavu and can provide recommendations :
 - Care Canada
 - Unicef Canada
 - Harvard Humanitarian Institute
 - International Medical Corporation (IMC)
 - Friends of Congo
 - Canadian Red Cross
 - Rights and Democracy
 - UNFPA
 - Canadian Development Agency (CIDA)

The next steps of the project are:

- Continue contacts with NGO in order to find a partner and a funder.
- Continue contacts with Panzi Hospital
- To start recruiting Psychologists for the Mission
- To prepare material (especially in French) for the Mission
- To work out the logistics with Partner/s of the Mission

Budget:

Mission Congo has received \$5,000 from CPA.

At this time, the budget has covered the cost of the research assistant and one conference call.

I would like to express my appreciation for the work and support of the members of the CPA Mission Congo Committee.

Nicole Aubé, Chair



Science

COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS

Members: Christine Chambers, Ken Craig, David Dozois (Chair), Neil Fournier (Student Representative), Janel Gauthier, Susan Graham, Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Jill Jacobson, Valerie Kuhlmeier, Wolfgang Linden, Richard Neufeld, Valerie Thompson and Henny Westra.

In its annual meeting last June, the committee concluded that the most pressing priorities for the Scientific Affairs Committee (SAC) are: (a) to promote a culture within CPA that supports the integration and acceptance of all dimensions of basic and applied research within CPA and (b) to work to increase funding to support psychological research. During the teleconference (October 3, 2007), discussion ensued regarding how to implement some of these goals. Consistent with these objectives, the SAC worked on a number of projects over the course of the year:

- The committee responded to a request from NSERC for input on the International Review of the Discovery Grant Program and the Grant Selection Committee Structure Review. We also forwarded our review to CSBBCS.
- On behalf of the SAC, I attended a reception for the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame. One of psychology's own, Endel Tulving, was inducted. The tribute to Tulving stated that, "No single cognitive scientist has made a greater impact on the understanding of human memory than psychologist Dr. Tulving. His theories now guide the whole field of memory research."
- SAC corresponded with members of Council from the College of Psychologists of Ontario regarding some changes to the registration process that may affect academic psychologists.
- The SAC responded to the Draft Report of the Experts Committee for Human Research Participant Protection in Canada (*Moving Ahead*). Given the number of such ethics consultation reviews, the committee wondered if there are any data on the efficacy of these consultations.
- A number of suggestions were provided to the Convention Committee including: (a) organizing a SAC-Sponsored Workshop or Conversation Session (e.g., a grants writing workshop for new faculty members); (b) working to increase basic science in our conference program; and, (c) putting together a workshop on how to interact with the media. We have been thinking about strategies for increasing public awareness of the importance of psychological science.
- In December, 2007, Dr. Henny Westra represented SAC at the Neuroscience Canada meeting. The symposium was a follow-up to a series of stakeholder consultations and a report on how to "best create the public policy framework needed to support research into neurological and psychiatric diseases and their impact".
- Drs. Ken Craig, Christine Chambers and Wolfgang Linden drafted a letter to CIHR re: the Randomized Clinical Trials committee. Concerns were raised about explicit and implicit assumptions and practices in CIHR terms of reference and decisions of peer review committees responsible for adjudicating randomized clinical trials examining psychological and social interventions for health conditions. The main argument is that we need to ensure that



review panels will not have difficulty understanding unique features of experimental design dictated by behavioural and social interventions and that decisions will not be dominated by parties focusing upon the requirements of trials that emphasize pharmacological or medical interventions.

- The SAC, along with the Executive Director of the Council of Canadian Departments of Psychology (Dr. Keith Dobson), drafted a letter to President Chad Gaffield regarding SSHRC's current eligibility requirements for the CGS-MA awards. We expressed concern that SSHRC's funding guidelines create unintended negative effects for some Psychology programs (in particular combined MA/Ph.D. programs). SSHRC indicated that they are in the process of reviewing their programs and will keep CPA apprised of any changes to the funding structure before the next competition cycle.

I would like to thank the members of this committee for their contributions over the past year.

David J. A. Dozois, Chair



Section Reports

ABORIGINAL PSYCHOLOGY

Dr. Mary Hampton and graduate student Kim McKay-McNabb were successful in petitioning a CPA section on Aboriginal Psychology. The section was supported by 35 members and 27 student members. The purpose of the section is to establish a community of psychologists interested in research, practice, and teaching issues relevant to Aboriginal people. The goals of the section are to address the following: (1) to advance mental health knowledge that will enhance well-being among Aboriginal people; (2) to increase cultural competence among psychologists in Canada; (3) to promote equity for Aboriginal people through development of culturally appropriate research, practice, and teaching methods. The 2008 CPA convention in Halifax will be the first meeting for the Executive Committee. During this time the committee will establish the section By-Laws to be forwarded to the Board for approval.

Dana Bova, Chair

BRAIN AND BEHAVIOUR

The chair of the section is Dr. R. St. John who currently serves as the Chair of the section and as the Secretary/Treasurer of the section for 2007-08. The section currently has approximately 150 active members. The numbers have gradually increased over the past few years as the section continues to re-build and encourage membership from experimental psychologists who are also members of CBBCS. The finances of the section remain stable at about \$1600.00. An annual concern for the section is the possibility of merging Brain and Behaviour with other sections involved in experimental psychology, notably Sensation and Perception, and perhaps neuropsychology. This would establish a single large section encompassing "Experimental Psychology" within the CPA. This issue is on the agenda for the Brain and Behaviour section business meeting at the CPA 2008 convention. A total of 15 abstracts were submitted to the section for review for the 2008. This relatively low number reflects a fairly limited interest in using the CPA conference as a means of disseminating new research in the field of Brain and Behaviour in Canada. The section is working on the re-introduction of a section newsletter, and plans to try and recruit new members. The section continues to strongly support the Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology, and encourages members to submit research and papers to this publication. The section also supports efforts to encourage links between CPA and other organizations dealing with experimental psychology in Canada.

Bob St. John, Chair

CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

The membership in our section continues to hold strong, with 322 being our latest estimate of adherents. Our Membership Coordinator and Student Representative, Dr. Aaron Schat and



Leah Hamilton, have been spearheading a membership drive that has resulted in new members and we anticipate the numbers will continue to grow as a result of their efforts.

Our executive holds a long range planning meeting each year to coordinate future events, development, and advancement of interests in I/O Psychology. At this meeting we again this year reaffirmed our optimism for increased growth in our field due, in part, to the greater number of students graduating in our field and to the number of professionals responding to our call for rejoining the section's ranks. This year's executive included the following:

- Stephane Brutus(Past Chair), Concordia University
- Steve Harvey (Chair), Bishop's University
- Kevin Kelloway (Chair-Elect), St-Mary's University
- Aaron Schat (Membership Coordinator), McMaster's University
- Lori Francis (Program Coordinator), St-Mary's University
- Leah Hamilton (Student Representative), University of Western Ontario
- Blake Jelley (Secretary), University of Prince Edward Island
- Joan Finegan (Treasurer), University of Western Ontario
- Anuradha Chawla (Communications Coordinator), DDI inc.
- David Stanley (Newsletter Editor), University of Guelph

Various plans are underway, but certainly one of the most vital will be to continue making ourselves known to both the public and potential members. Various strategies and initiatives are being developed, including innovations to our website and finding ways to make ourselves more readily available for media requests. Other ways we hope to make a difference is by contributing to CPA's "fact sheet" effort whenever possible in the near future. The section is very lively, vibrant with activity at each year's conference and it is abuzz with student enthusiasm in the number of submissions each year. This year we have the distinct pleasure of inviting our 2007 Distinguished Contributions to I/O Psychology recipients to address the conference. Drs. John Meyer and Natalie Allen, both of UWO, will be with us in Halifax to speak—so we hope that many CPA members will be joining us. Much of our success is due to the extremely hard work and dedication of the individuals sitting on the executive.

Steve Harvey, Chair

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

The 2007-2008 Executive Committee consisted of Christine Purdon (Past-Chair), Deborah Dobson (Chair), John Pearce (Chair-Elect), Patricia Furer (Secretary-Treasurer), Andrew Ryder (Member-at-Large) and Melissa Kehler (Student Representative). The Executive met in person during the 2007 conference, held a full-day meeting in Calgary in January 2008 and held teleconferences in the fall and the spring. There also was frequent communication via e-mail and telephone. The CPA Board of Directors approved the Clinical Section's revised by-laws at its February 2008 meeting.

Membership

As of May 1st, the Section had a membership of 962, including 352 student affiliates. This number represents a growth of 237 over last year.

Convention Program

The pre-convention workshop is entitled: *Working with Clients Who Have Sexual Difficulties: A workshop for psychologists with a general practice* with Dr. E. Sandra Byers from the University of New Brunswick (co-sponsored with Section on Women and Psychology). We have invited Dr.



Michael Vallis from Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre in Halifax to deliver a public address on obesity and he is also a CPA/Section invited speaker. His invited address is entitled *Competency in Lifestyle Change Interventions: Mastering motivational enhancement, behaviour modification & emotion management* (co-sponsored by CPA, Clinical & Health Sections). We are excited to have a full conference program, including 133 posters, 7 symposia, 4 workshops, 2 review sessions and 5 conversation sessions for a total of 162 accepted submissions.

Awards

In recognition of his ongoing contributions to Canadian clinical psychology, the Section will give Fellow status to Dr. Kerry Mothersill from the Calgary Health Region. The winner of the Ken Bowers Award for 2008 is Esther Lau, Clinical Psychology Program, Dalhousie University, for her submission entitled, *“Neurocognitive and psychosocial outcomes in patients with obstructive sleep apnea treated with continuous positive airway pressure”*. Both award winners will receive their awards at the Annual Business Meeting in Halifax.

Communications

The section continues to publish an expanded version of the newsletter, *Canadian Clinical Psychologist*, under the editorship of Drs. Margo Watt and Jessey Bernstein. This newsletter is posted on the section website and all members receive a notification along with a link to the new issue. There have been several new features. We have received very positive feedback on the newsletter and the Executive is very appreciative of their work. The section website is maintained by the Member-at-Large along with Nigel Flear in CPA head office. We have been pleased to now have the capacity to easily add or change material on the site. We have begun to store archival material on an external disk drive in order to prevent loss of material and to make it easier to transport information between Executive members. Finally, we have begun a trial of increased use of our listserve for information, announcements, clinical and research discussions. We plan to assess this trial in the fall of 2008.

Advocacy

We continue to pursue the theme of advocacy and taking a proactive stance on evidence based practice. Andrew Ryder has continued to oversee and maintain the factsheets, including requesting updates from the authors, as required. We have begun a discussion regarding input into the national Mental Health Commission. Finally, we have requested a review of the recommendations from the 1998 Task Force on *Empirically Supported Treatments in Psychology: Recommendations for Canadian Professional Psychology*. All four authors of this document (Drs. John Hunsley, Keith Dobson, Charlotte Johnston & Sam Mikail) have agreed to participate in this project.

Supporting Students

We have continued to work to support student involvement in the Clinical Section, partly through our student representative on the Executive. This year, we received four applications for the Ken Bowers award for student research. Each student submits a paper based upon their abstract for the CPA conference. These papers are independently judged and the winning submission receives a certificate and \$750.00 presented at the Annual Business Meeting. We will continue the student travel awards for poster submissions as judged by students themselves, with two financial awards of \$200 each. The section also offers free attendance for two student representatives at the pre-convention workshop.

Deborah Dobson, Chair



COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY

The Community Psychology Section experienced several new beginnings in 2007. Membership in the section increased quite a bit to 125 members, including 31 new members. This year's CPA convention programme saw an increase in the total number of presentations submitted and accepted as well. Formal scheduled distribution of the Section's electronic newsletter was replaced by informal updates. The Section's website was developed by Computer Science students at Dalhousie University (<http://www.crfh.ca/commpsync>). The website includes an events portal as well as lists of resources. A student presentation award, named in honour of Dr. Patrick O'Neill, was launched for the 2008 CPA convention. The Section held discussions with the Rural and Remote Section of CPA regarding shared interests, a meeting is scheduled for the two Sections at the 2008 CPA convention. The Section financially supported the fourth biennial Québec-Ontario conference on community psychology. The financial picture for the Section is positive, with the increase in expenditures balanced by the expanded membership. The Section's leadership team experienced changes during the past year. The executive currently consists of Dr. Cyndi Brannen as chair and Dr. Cameron Norman as treasurer. The Section will be actively recruiting for new executive members in 2008. A student representative position is also being added.

Cyndi Brannen, Chair

COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY

The current membership is 300 members, including 130 student members. The Section Executive includes Dr. Vivian Lalande (Chair), Dr. Jennifer Nicol (Past Chair), Dr. Shelly Russell-Mayhew (Secretary-Treasurer) and Reana Saraceni (Student Representative). Dr. Colleen Haney is the Coordinator of Student Awards, Dr. Patrice Keats is the Conference Review Coordinator, and Mr. Mike Huston is the Newsletter Editor. We also had a large group of members who kindly volunteered to adjudicate the conference paper proposals this year.

The Executive Committee with the mandate to develop a Canadian definition of the term "counselling psychology" has continued to work through the past year. This committee consists of Rob Bedi and Beth Haverkamp (co-chairs), Derek Truscott, Romeo Beatch, James Loh, Douglas Cave, Greg Harris, Jose Domene, and Anne Marie Mikhail (student member). The committee will be reporting at the CPA 2008 conference and inviting discussion on this topic.

Each year, the Counselling Psychology Section makes available 4 student awards. A monetary award of \$100 is presented in each of the following categories: Best PhD Dissertation, Best Masters Thesis, Best Masters Conference Poster, and Best Doctoral Conference Poster. Nominations are also being accepted for the Counselling Psychology Section: Distinguished Member Award. Award recipients are announced at the Section of Counselling Psychology Members' Reception that is held during each CPA conference.

Congratulations to the 2007 student award recipients. Robin Cox (University of British Columbia) received an award for her dissertation: Transgressions and transformations: Identity reorientation and the discourse of disaster recovery. Awards for outstanding Master's Conference Posters were given to Babatunde Ogunfowora (University of Calgary) A study on the relationship between personality traits and theoretical orientation preferences and Michelle Emmerling (University of Alberta) The working alliance and stage of change in psychotherapy.



The Counselling Psychology section programme at the 2008 conference in Halifax will include a Section Keynote Speaker, Dr. Charles Chen (OISE) who is speaking on the topic Toward a Proactive Learning Framework in Career Psychology. There is also a sponsored symposium on the topic of Towards a Canadian Understanding of Counselling Psychology (Report from Executive Committee for a Canadian Definition of Counselling Psychology) offered by Rob Bedi and Beth Haverkamp (co-chairs) and the following panel members: Douglas Cave, José Domene, Greg Harris, James Loh, Anne Marie Mikhail, and Derek Truscott. This symposium will be followed by a Conversation Session to provide a forum for discussion about counselling psychology in Canada and responses to the report from the Committee for a Canadian Definition of Counselling Psychology. There will also be a CPA Invited Speaker (Dr. Christina Robb) who is cosponsored by the Sections of Counselling Psychology, Women and Psychology and Clinical Psychology. In addition, there are a number of counselling papers and posters at this year's conference that will provide an interesting programme overall.

Vivian Lalande, Chair

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Executive

The 2007/2008 Executive are Jean Folsom (Chair), Jeremy Mills (Past Chair), Karl Hanson (Secretary/Treasurer), Tanya Ruggie (Managing Editor, Crime Scene), Chantal Langevin (Review Editor, Crime Scene), Natalie J. Jones (Membership Coordinator), Leslie Helmus (Student Representative), J. Stephen Wormith (Director-At-Large: NAACJ), Mark Olver (Director-At-Large: Clinical and Training), Dorothy Cotton (Director-At-Large: Police Psychology), David Nussbaum and Garry Fisher (Directors-At-Large: Psychology in the Courts), Guy Bourgon (Director-At-Large: Conference Programme), and Joseph A. Camilleri (Director-At-Large: Website Coordinator).

Membership

The membership has been growing and is currently at 399. Thanks goes to Natalie Jones, Membership Coordinator.

Summary of Activities

The section was very pleased with the success of the first North American Correctional and Criminal Justice Conference, which ran concurrently with the annual CPA Convention in Ottawa in June 2007. The conference was hosted in partnership with the Criminal Justice Section of Division 18 (APA). We are very grateful to steering committee members, Dr. Daryl Kroner, Dr. Robert Morgan, Dr. Steve Norton and especially to Dr. Jeremy Mills who chaired the committee and contributed a huge amount of time to this project. Proceedings from this conference are in the final stages of preparation and will soon be available on the section's website.

Two conference calls were held with the executive over the past year to deal with section business such as planning for the 2008 convention.

Our biannual newsletter, *Crime Scene*, continues to expand. Note that our last issue contained articles by Dr. Paul Gendreau and by Dr. Karl Hanson on issues pertaining to the statistics of risk prediction, among many other interesting regular and special feature articles. *Crime Scene* keeps our section informed and connected and we are indebted to the excellent and hard work of our editors, Dr. Tanya Ruggie and Dr. Chantal Langevin. I would encourage you to check it out under the "Publications" toolbar of our section's website.



In regards to our website, at our last general meeting in June 2007, we added a new position to our Executive – Director-At-Large: Website Coordinator and voted Joseph Camilleri into the position. Joe has updated our website and added many improvements.

The special interest group on Police Psychology has been very active. They held the first Canadian Forum on Police Psychology, which was hosted by the Toronto Police Service in September 2007. The forum was well attended and appreciated by participants. Plans are currently underway for a second forum in September 2008. This group also maintains a listserv, which has over 100 members sharing issues of common concern. An initial meeting was held with the Human Resources Committee of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police to begin to develop some common conceptualization around police services' use of psychological services.

Convention

The Criminal Justice Section will be well represented throughout the conference through workshops, symposiums, presentations, and posters. There will be three pre-convention workshops as well as symposiums and presentations occurring throughout the day, everyday of the convention. One of CPA's Invited Speakers will be Dr. Jim Bonta whose presentation, "How has psychology informed our understanding of criminal behaviour?", will bring criminal justice psychology to a wider audience. Our section will be honouring a prominent psychologist, Dr. Steve Wong, with our annual Significant Achievement Award. The presentation will be made following his address as our section keynote speaker. There will also be an award presented for the best student poster. Our Director-At-Large: Conference Programme, Dr. Guy Bourgon, deserves our thanks for the tremendous work that he has done to make our section's contribution to the convention a success.

Conclusion

Our section is vibrant and active and will continue to advance the objectives of CPA.

Jean Folsom, Chair

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

The developmental section continues to grow in membership. The section has 194 members, 124 non-student members and 70 student members. The executive consisted of the coordinator, Jennifer Sullivan (St. Francis Xavier University), secretary/treasurer (07), Brenda Smith-Chant (Trent University) and treasurer (08), Darcy Hallett (Memorial University).

Student Award

The winner of the 2007 Elinor Ames award for best student presentation was Magda Zdebik from McGill University.

Convention Program

The section nominated Sandra Trehub to be a CPA keynote speaker at the convention and this nomination was accepted by CPA. Dr. Trehub will speak about "Music in the Lives of Infants." The section will have another invited speaker also. Chris Moore will be the section keynote speaker discussing "The construction of commonsense psychology."

There were 93 submissions to our section this year. The program looks very diverse and interesting this year with topics ranging from cognitive development to developmental psychopathology. Over two-thirds of the submissions were from students. Student submissions were in all categories including symposia, poster presentations, and workshops.



There will be a catered Developmental Section business meeting at the CPA conference. I hope that all will attend and we can renew our executive for this coming year and fill open positions on the executive.

Jennifer Sullivan, Chair

HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

The Executive Committee was comprised of Tavis Campbell (University of Calgary, Chair), Kim Lavoie (UQAM, Secretary), Linda Carlson (University of Calgary, Communications), Sherry Stewart (Dalhousie, Treasurer), Simon Bacon (Concordia, Member-at-Large), Avril Keller (University of Calgary, Student Member), Anne Bouchard (UQAM, Student Member).

Section Activities

The Health Section published two Newsletters (Health Notes) over the past year. The section received greater than 100 submissions for the 2008 conference in Halifax. Seven students have been nominated for the 3rd Annual Ronald Melzack Award. This year's Young Investigator Award winner is Linda Carlson (University of Calgary). Our website is being developed and will be up this June. For the upcoming year we are planning to create a database regarding Clinical Health Psychology training opportunities in Canada.

Tavis Campbell, Chair

HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

Angelina Baydala (Chair), Thomas Teo (Past-Chair), Christopher Peet (Chair-Elect), Jason Goertzen (Secretary-Treasurer), John Connors (Program Co-Chair). Archivist: Fran Cherry.

Membership

Currently, we have a total of 63 members, 14 of whom are students. The section has 77 total members, 18 of whom are students.

Annual Convention

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Leendert P. Mos has been inducted into CPA Fellow status this year. Dr. Mos will be the CPA/Section Invited Speaker at the 2008 annual convention. His talk is entitled: Psychology, Philosophy, and the Challenges of Historicism.

In addition, we are pleased to announce that Dr. Richard E. Brown will be the Section Keynote Speaker at the 2008 annual convention. His talk is entitled: The X-38 Project: Donald O. Hebb and the study of perceptual isolation.

Section programming for the 2008 convention will include theoretical and historical symposia, paper and conversation sessions in the subject areas of: Disciplines, International, Social Histories, Institutions, Theory of Psychological Measurement, Biographies, as well as the Ethics Update. There will also be a reception to welcome new members and renew contacts.



The Mary J. Wright Award is awarded by the History and Philosophy of Psychology Section to the best student paper at the annual convention. In 2007, this distinction was awarded to Jason Goertzen, York University, for his paper, "Convergent Pluralism and the Unity-Disunity Debate in Psychology."

History & Philosophy of Psychology (HPP) Bulletin: The Bulletin is edited by Cor Baerveldt and is the section journal and newsletter for the publication of papers, discussions, reviews, and news. The HPP Bulletin was distributed digitally this year by means of a mailing list hosted by the University of Alberta. In the near future there will be an HPP section/Bulletin website allowing members to publish in online issues of the Bulletin, to have continuous online discussions, and to make available informal papers.

Angelina Baydala, Chair

INTERNATIONAL & CROSS CULTURAL PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

Saba Safdar (Chair), Randal Tonks (Chair-elect), Floyd Rudmin (Past Chair), Valery Chirkov (Treasurer), Randal Tonks (Section Webmaster), Andrew Ryder (Program Chair), Jim Cresswell (Student Rep.)

Membership

Currently there are a total of 221 members. The current membership includes 44 regular members and 177 student members.

Budget

The section budget remains healthy with a balance of \$980.00.

Section Website and Listserves

Randal Tonks is section webmaster who has maintained the website in the last several years and has updated the information routinely. Randy and Nigel Flear continue working on transferring the information from the old website: <http://tonks.disted.camosun.bc.ca/iccp/> to the new section website on CPA's server, www.cpa.ca. The website consists of information about membership, student awards, members of executive committee, minutes from section business meetings, and other cultural and teaching resources. Additionally, Randy and Nigel were able to establish the section listserv which started functioning in April 2008. This is an important tool as it keeps Canadian researchers who are actively involved in the field of the International and Cross-cultural Psychology connected.

A short description about the section was submitted for publication to Psynopsis by the Chair (Safdar) in August 2007. The description consisted of information about the goals of ICCP, the type of research the members do, and the benefits of joining ICCP.

Convention

Last year's section program at the annual convention (Ottawa, 2007) included a CPA Invited Speaker by Dr. Thomas Achenbach and the Section Keynote Speaker by Marlene Castellano. Dr. Achenbach also conducted a workshop at the convention. The conference was a great success in terms of participation.

Student Awards

In 2007, two student awards were given. The recipient of the John Berry Paper Presentation



Award was Jessica Dere from Concordia University and the recipient of the Francis Aboud Poster Presentation Award was Sara Rubinfeld from the University of Ottawa. Both students received a recognition letter from the Section Chair thanking them for their outstanding presentations. The two students were also invited to attend an award ceremony at the next convention to receive \$150.00 plus a certificate. The award ceremony is scheduled during Business meeting at the CPA convention in Halifax in 2008. Additionally, the Section Chair placed an announcement in Psynopsis about the two students and their research presentation.

Overall Summary

With a strong core-membership and dynamic student contributions, the Section has remained robust. Our convention program, including student participation and invited speakers, remains very rich. The section also had good visibility in Psynopsis by submitting three articles: (1) description of ICC section; (2) announcement of the Section students' awards; and (3) an article on Psychology in Iran which was co-authored by W. Thorngate (Carleton University) and the Section Chair. This article was a joint initiative of the International Relations Committee and the ICCP Section.

Saba Safdar, Chair

PSYCHOANALYTIC AND PSYCHODYNAMIC

Our 2008 convention program is packed with activities, awards, clinically relevant talks, training workshops, and scholarly presentations. This year we are proud to honour Professor Bruce Fink who will be our Keynote Speaker and Recipient of the Otto Weininger Memorial Award for Psychoanalytic Achievement. Dr. Fink will also conduct an invited training session and supervise a case presentation from a Lacanian perspective.

This year's Fellow Awards will be presented to Drs. Morris Eagle, John Munn, and John Perrin for their outstanding contributions to the practice of psychoanalytic psychology.

Our Section will also give the Goethe Awards for Psychoanalytic Scholarship. This year we will honour Linda Hopkins for *False Self: The Life of Masud Khan* (Other Press, 2006) and Elizabeth Ann Danto for *Freud's Free Clinics* (Columbia University Press, 2005).

The following authors will also be honored as Finalists for the Goethe Award for 2006 and 2005: Marcia Cavell, *Becoming a Subject* (Oxford UP, 2006); Wilfried Ver Eecke, *Denial, Negation, and the Forces of the Negative* (SUNY Press, 2006); Walter A. Davis, *Death's Dream Kingdom* (Pluto Press, 2006); Danielle Knafo and Kenneth Feiner, *Unconscious Fantasies and the Relational World* (The Analytic Press, 2006); Lester Luborsky and Ellen Luborsky, *Research and Psychotherapy* (Aronson/Rowman & Littlefield, 2006); Richard Raubolt (Ed.), *Power Games: Influence, Persuasion, and Indoctrination in Psychotherapy Training* (Other Press, 2006); Owen Renik, *Practical Psychoanalysis for Therapists and Patients* (Other Press, 2006); Michael Eigen, *Emotional Storm* (Wesleyan UP, 2005); Ellen Toronto et. al, *Psychoanalytic Reflections on a Gender-Free Case* (Routledge, 2005); and Peter Buirski, *Practicing Intersubjectively* (Aronson/Rowamn & Littifield, 2005).

This ends my 6 year term as founding chair of the Section. Chair-elect Dr. Paul Jerry will take over the helm and has already given invaluable direction to the Section. He has completely revamped the website and edits the on-line newsletter he initiated last year. Our Section is fortunate to have his leadership and energy, and I look forward to see his initiatives advance the presence of the Section in the CPA.

Jon Mills, Chair



PSYCHOLOGISTS IN EDUCATION

Under the leadership of Past-Chair and continuing Board member, Juanita Mureika, a Section task force completed *Guidelines for Professional Practice for School Psychologists in Canada*. This document, a revision of the N.B. Department of Education's *Guidelines for Professional Practice for School Psychology* (2001) and approved by the CPA Board of Directors, had its launch at last year's CPA Convention. The CPA Guidelines have recently been translated into French; both the English and French versions can be found on the CPA website.

The Psychologists in Education Section has recently experienced a surge in growth. The current membership is over 315 and counting, including 63 student affiliates. Given our new size, we have reason to expect a notable Section presence at this year's Convention. We have presentations scheduled in just about every timeslot, and at times will be competing against ourselves for interested attendees. We look forward to our Section's keynote presentation by Ruth A. Ervin of the University of British Columbia, titled "The Psychologist as a Change Agent: Aligning Research and Practice Efforts to Build Capacity for School Systems to Improve Student Outcomes". We are pleased and proud to announce our role as sponsoring section for the CPA Invited Speaker address, "Bullying is a Public Health Problem: It's Everyone's Responsibility to Address Bullying." This talk will be presented jointly by Wendy Craig and Debra Pepler, the 2008 recipients of the CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Public or Community Service. We are certain that attendance will be commensurate with the quality of the presentations.

There continues to be a close association between the Section and the Canadian Association of School Psychologists. This year, CASP has scheduled its Annual General Meeting and Executive Meeting to be held in conjunction with the CPA Convention. We also maintain a liaison with CCPPP, a relationship of increasing import since the CPA Accreditation Panel decision to accredit doctoral programs and internships in school psychology.

Section members have been able to share ideas and concerns, as well as be informed of CPA media requests and activity, information, and updates via ongoing conversations through our e-mail listserv. The *Newsletter*, a joint effort of the Section and CASP, returned to circulation this year featuring some articles by serial contributors as well as important topical material, in a striking new format. Yvonne Martinez continues on as the Student Representative in the Section executive, and we hope that her presence will continue to provide the needed impetus to maintain our Student Awards policy. A relative newcomer to the executive, Bill McKee, moves to the Secretary-Treasurer dossier.

Moving forward to Halifax, I'd like to thank the rest of the Section executive for their energy and support throughout this past year: Special thanks go to Juanita Mureika, Don Saklofske, and Gina Harrison.

Joseph Snyder, Chair

PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY

Membership

The section numbers have been relatively consistent with 78 members this year of which about a third are students. We anticipate a rise next year in light of the birth of the new CPA section on substance abuse.



Convention

We have the privilege of having Dr. Robert Ax attend this years CPA in Halifax as a Section Designated Speaker funded by CPA. The executive wishes to express its gratitude for this support. Dr. Ax is an authority on the campaign for Prescriptive Authority (PA) for American psychologists and he will share this important knowledge with us.

Activities

The main activity that the Section has engaged in is the quarterly newsletter very ably edited by Dr. Litman. The Section expresses it's gratitude for his continuing expertise, dedication, and effort in turning out this interesting and informative communiqué. Gratitude is also expressed to Dr. Bigelow for his continued administrative skill and efforts.

Section Issues

Leadership Succession

I (DN) have been Chair since the resurrection of the Section 11 years ago (CPA Charlottetown Convention). I have not been able to identify a candidate to replace me and will attempt to do so during the coming year. I have been in a tenure stream position for the last 3 years and am finding succeedingly less time to devote to important but non-academic pursuits. I am confident that a new Section leader will arise within the next 12 months.

Prescriptive Authority for Psychologists

I believe in the importance of the Section and the need for universal psychopharmacological knowledge and education for all clinical and neuropsychologists, regardless of one's position on PA. I find it puzzling that colleagues find this point contentious. I also believe that it is the ignorance of many psychologists regarding the strengths *and limitations* of pharmacotherapeutics that has made this a contentious issue. The members of the Section in general are supportive of PA. The Section welcomes the recent CPA Board of Directors initiative in assembling a Task Force to investigate the PA option on Canada but disappointed that a) it's terms of reference are to decide whether a task Force should be struck to explore the issue (i.e., it is "a task force for a task force"), and b) one of its considerations in deciding whether an "ultimate" task force should be struck is whether it will brook any opposition or ill-will from our psychiatry colleagues. We find this totally unacceptable. If this were an historical criterion for exploring psychology's future, there would be *no psychologists practicing psychotherapy* because at the end of the Second World War, when the psychiatrists returned to North America from the European and pacific theatres of war, they vehemently protested psychologists recent intrusion into "*their domain of practice*" using much of the same rhetoric (psychologists will kill people if allowed to do psychotherapy) that is of course similarly nonsensical to the fear-mongering they have indulged in to protect their turf. If we are going to be concerned about their turf issues, we might as well disband our discipline and practice and relegate the profession to lab-tech status. "Go fetch me an MMPI or WAIS-IV, boy." I do not know which of my colleagues came up with this criterion for the "Penultimate" Tasks Force's consideration, so this is in no way directed to any individual personally, but it is simply absurd. I recently was asked to refer an elderly couple to a psychiatrist because of monetary issues in seeking psychological counseling. When I finally found a psychiatrist who felt comfortable addressing their particular family-related issue, I informed the psychiatrist that I would write the letter of referral. He told me that I could not do that because if the referral originates from a psychologist, he cannot bill the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) because it is not deemed a "medical issue." Alternately, if the referral comes from a G.P., it is a medical issue. Strange, but all those schizophrenics that I diagnosed (as "entitled" to diagnose under the Psychologist/Health Care Disciplines Act) did not have a medical problem but their co-afflicted referred by their family physicians did have a medical problem. This suggests a whole new classification system for schizophrenia...medical and non-medical schizophrenics. If the sensitivities of psychiatrists is a criterion for psychological advocacy, we'd better just accept this state of affairs and smile. We truly hope there are no members of the Board who will accept this position.



We respectfully suggest that psychologists and the organizations that purport to exist for the good of psychologists and the public continue to act accordingly. The section executive is of the opinion that psychology would advance more quickly and seamlessly if some colleagues did not try to impose their personal perspectives and prejudices upon others seeking to reasonably and responsibly expand their scope of expertise and practice. This is not meant to sow dissent but actually foment cooperation and support for professional brothers and sisters who don't see things the way we do. As you know, I have been and will continue to be a staunch advocate for psychology in its various forms.

Education

The Section executive sees a need for expanded education of basic and applied psychopharmacology at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, again, independent of the PA issue. We note that many graduate and undergraduate programs already have basic courses in behavioural neuroscience described by a variety of terms. We encourage all programs to make these important courses available to psychology students. At our Annual Business meeting, we will discuss ways of reaching out to programs to facilitate this aspect of psychological education.

Research

The section executive feels that one reason for this disconnection between psychologists regarding PA is a microcosm of the unfortunate bordering on disastrous split between clinical and research psychologists. Unlike in medicine, where practitioners and researchers recognize that their continued favoured existence rests on the other moiety, psychologists show underwhelming connectedness with their brethren across this artificial divide. While there are a number of outstanding psychologist Ph.D.'s conducting basic and less basic psychopharmacology researchers in (and beyond) Psychology departments in Canada, few clinicians are aware of their existence, what they study and how that knowledge might be helpful to them in their practice. To help remedy this state of affairs, we intend to begin a feature on Canadian psychologists with psychopharmacology research programs for our newsletter. Hopefully we will have some good news on this front next year.

David Naussbaum, Chair

SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY ISSUES

Executive

The Executive consisted of Melanie Morrison (University of Saskatchewan) and J. Roy Gillis, (OISE, University of Toronto) as Co-Chairs, Daragh McDermott (National University of Ireland Galway) as Listserv Coordinator, Melanie Morrison (University of Saskatchewan) as Treasurer, and Karen Blair (Queen's University) as Website Coordinator. After four years serving as Co-Chairs, Melanie Morrison and J. Roy Gillis have welcomed a new Chair of the Section, Dr. Kevin Alderson (University of Calgary).

Conference

The Annual Conference in Ottawa was well-attended by our section members. All poster and paper abstracts were reviewed by Todd Morrison (National University of Ireland Galway) and five additional, anonymous reviewers. The review process resulted in a number of symposium and workshop presentations being made by faculty and student members of SOGII. On the basis of the presentations made in Ottawa, a panel of reviewers selected two students to become the recipients of the two student prizes that SOGII now awards annually: the Henry Minton Award for Excellence in Research (\$100.00; paper presentation), and the Student Award for



Excellence in Research (\$50.00; poster presentation). We are pleased to announce that we will continue to recognize students and their research achievements in all future annual conferences.

Membership

Our membership continues to grow each year, and we hope to continue to attract researchers, theoreticians, and practitioners to our Section. As well, we hope that the number of students interested in the Section will continue to increase, and that with each passing year, additional people will become involved as we work to promote social change and address injustices. We are a Section that is continually evolving and we are proud of what we have accomplished thus far. Should you be interested in joining the section, the fees are modest (\$15.00 for non-students; \$5.00 for students) and we encourage active participation from our membership.

Melanie Morrison, Co-Chair

SOCIAL AND PERSONALITY PSYCHOLOGY

The Social and Personality Section exists to further research in Social and Personality Psychology and to foster relationships among Canadian researchers in these areas. The Section organizes a one-day pre-conference to each year's convention. This year's line-up of speakers is once again excellent. It includes: Stacey Mackinnon (University of Prince Edward Island), Ian McGregor (York University), Ian Newby-Clark (University of Guelph), Wei Qi Elaine Perunovic (University of New Brunswick), Jeff Schimel (University of Alberta), and Leanne Son-Hing (University of Guelph). There will be talks throughout the day, a delicious lunch and lunch hour "Swap and Talk" poster session, and discussion of next year's event. While 92% of last year's attendees indicated that the Section should charge a small fee for attending, we chose not to because the St. Mary's University President's Office provided generous funding.

The Section is well represented in the 2008 Convention program. There were 147 to the Section for this year's Convention and 89% were accepted. There will be 102 poster presentations and 28 talks, many as part of symposia. This is impressive, but it is clear that the Section needs to encourage more oral presentations to decrease the disparity between oral and poster presentations.

The Section also provides awards for the best undergraduate (Ken Dion Award) and graduate (Brendon Gail Rule Award) submission to the convention, and maintains a newsletter (Social-Personality Quarterly), website (<http://www.cpassp.ca>), and listserv. The website is accessed a great deal. Since its inception (November, 2007), the website has received approximately 289 visitors and 2106 hits *a month!* This activity reflects an increased interest in Social and Personality Psychology in Canada.

Suggesting healthy Section interest, Section membership has increased dramatically over the past year. From July 1, 2007, to May 2, 2008, our membership numbers have increased from 206 to 277. That is a 35% increase! Welcome everyone! Of our members, approximately half (126 or 45%) are student affiliates. This suggests that the Section will continue to grow.

Similarly, the Section's financial standing is relatively robust. We have \$5,000 plus in the bank, an increase of approximately \$1,500 since November, 2007, and we do not expect there to be many expenditures this year. We may also obtain further funds from members who have recently joined, but whose dues have not yet been deposited by CPA in the Section account.



Finally, this year's Section Invited Speaker is Dr. Michael Ross of the University of Waterloo. He is a fellow of the Canadian and American Psychological Associations, the American Psychological Society, and the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. He received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1998 and the American Psychology Foundation Award from the American Psychological Association in 1999. We expect to be able to continue to attract such high calibre speakers to represent the Section.

In all, it appears that the Section is healthy and achieving its goal to foster relationships among researchers in Social and Personality Psychology in Canada.

Katherine Starzyk, Chair

SPORT AND EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY

Our current continuing Chair is Tricia Orzeck. Gerry Farthing acts as Past-Chair, Andrew Ling as Secretary/Communications, Danielle Poulos as our new Student Representative, and several members assisted in various committees. However, all of these positions have been plagued by illness and/or numerous relocations, thereby significantly reducing the manpower to build on initiatives. We continue in our efforts to recruit individuals to assist with section duties. Despite this, after only one year as a reinstated Section, we have experienced significant growth in membership by *more than double!* Consequently, a need for consistency in executive members will be essential to its further growth. Following is a brief outline of activities from the past year.

Conference

Four members reviewed abstracts for the 2008 conference. We will be hosting an informal social event for sport and exercise psychology members attending the 2008 conference.

Award: Our first accolade for this section, a Top Abstract Award was selected for this year's conference. A certificate of recognition will be given at the conference.

Administration

Website

A great deal of content is continued to be developed and solicited for our various webpages using the CPA format.

Communication

Intermittent email communications about developments with the Section continued. Members were invited to participate on committees, nominations were asked for executive positions, and a needs assessment was sent out.

Governance

After distributing the By-laws for approval following the last annual section meeting, they were submitted and approval by the CPA board in March 2008.

Membership

We currently have 376 Section members, with 50% constituting student membership. We decided not to charge a fee at this time due to the inconsistencies with some of our initiatives and abilities to produce in all intended areas.



Major Ongoing Projects

Programming/training/competency

We are continuing to work on the criteria and recommendations for sport psychology practitioners following the psychology-track route for eventually becoming psychologists or psychological associates with a sub-specialty/practice in sport psychology. Our aim is to suggest minimum criteria for our licensed psychologists to obtain adequate training in the sporting arena. Currently we are in a second round of deliberations regarding such guidelines.

CSPA/CPA alliance

We have not put any further effort into this bridge over the past year given there was not any reciprocity from CSPA. We hope once we further our Section goals, we can revisit this relationship with our propositions for ensuring psychology is included in the practice of sport psychology.

Regulations/Ethical issues

We have engaged in discussions with various Chairs of the Colleges of Psychologists across Canada in light of the ongoing misrepresentation of non-registrants using the title psychologist when working with sport consumers. We continue to work extensively with educating the public and colleagues on this matter but at this point, this misrepresentation continues to be an ongoing significant concern of our regulated members for consumer safety and clarity of services.

We have many ambitions for the section which can be made possible with greater assistance. These early years of reinstatement have been arduous at times but very exciting in watching the growth of our section and interest of our members.

Tricia Orzeck, Chair

STUDENTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

The 2007-2008 Section for Students Executive consists of: Lindsay Uman (Chair), Kelly Smith (Past Chair; Chair-Elect; Student Board Member), Philip Johnson (Campus Representative Coordinator), Pamela Seeds (Secretary-Treasurer), Roxanne Sterniczuk (Undergraduate Affairs Coordinator), and Annie Drouin (Communications Officer). Kelly Hayton provided invaluable support as our webpage and listserv manager. During the year, we had two teleconferences, and have been involved with several initiatives, including:

- Maintaining an active section with a listserv of over 1,300 members.
- Creating a new executive position (Communications Officer) to help with section related translations.
- Regularly updating and recently translating our webpage.
- Maintaining/updating a list of student CPA awards that has been posted to the listserv and website.
- Distributing/posting an updated list of Psychology Resources and suggestions for Psychology Month.
- Managing the Campus & Faculty (i.e., Friends of CPA) Representative program. We currently have Graduate and/or Undergraduate Campus Representatives on 42 campuses across the country, and Faculty Representative at 30 institutions. In collaboration with the CPA Membership Committee, we sent letters to universities that did not yet have *Friends of CPA*. We also accepted our first student rep from a non-Canadian University.
- Posting the call for, and reviewing applications for a student position on the Canadian Council of Professional Programs in Psychology (CCPPP).



- We have planned and will be hosting the second annual Campus Representative meeting at this year's Convention which is a great chance for Representatives to meet each other, CPA staff, and executive members.
- This is the second year that a Student Representative from our executive has sat on the CPA Board of Directors.
- We sent our annual call for Student Section Executive Elections via our listserv, webpage, and Psynopsis. Two positions were filled by acclamation, with an election held for the Chair-Elect and Undergraduate Affairs Coordinator positions.
- We have continued to recruit and publish student submissions for Psynopsis.
- We will be presenting several sessions for the upcoming conference, including: Tips on Applying to Graduate School; Writing for Publication, Considering Post-Doctoral Training, and Effective Strategies for Teaching Assistants and New Faculty (in conjunction with the Section for Teaching). In addition, our section is co-sponsoring the pre-convention workshop on 'Private Practice' with Dr. Randy Paterson. Materials will also be distributed to students via the listserv and webpage to orient them to student-relevant sessions at the conference, the student social, and other Convention information.
- We are currently organizing the annual student social for the convention.
- We distributed an excellent powerpoint presentation developed by the Section for Students and Dr. David Dozois, Director of Science, on "Applying to Graduate School", which we also translated into French.
- We put out a call to students and held a vote to assist Dr. Ian Nicholson in finding a student representative to sit on the CPA Task Force on Prescription Privileges.
- We drafted Section by-laws, which were presented to the Board of Directors at the November 2007 meeting. We have been revising the by-laws, and are aiming to submit the final draft for review at the June 2008 Board of Directors meeting.
- One of our Executive members represented our section at the National Health Sciences Students' Association (NaHSSA) conference in London, ON, January 18-20, 2008.
- We created/distributed a bilingual poster to Campus Representatives and departments to promote CPA student membership.

We would like to thank CPA for being so supportive of our Section. We feel we have a dynamic Executive and are proud of the excellent relationships with those we work with at CPA.

Lindsay Uman, Chair

TEACHING OF PSYCHOLOGY

Matters dealt with at the annual Section Business Meeting (SBM) in Ottawa on June 9, 2007 were: (a) adoption of the Minutes of the 2006 SBM; (b) acceptance of the Treasurer's Report, which projected a balance of approximately \$2150 by the end of the 2007-2008 budget year; (c) acceptance of the Report of the Chair; (d) support for the suggestion that the Chair continue in this position as well as that of Treasurer; and (e) consideration of a number of ideas for Section presentations for CPA 2008.

Developments since the SBM include: (a) the review of submissions for presentation at the Annual Convention; (b) discussions about possible collaborations with CPA or/and other sections to attract notable Invited Speakers for future conventions; and (c) consideration of suggestions re a Section newsletter and webpage. Apropos (b) above, plans are afoot to invite one (and possibly two) psychology teachers and authors of international stature to speak at CPA Montreal in 2009 CPA Halifax will feature nine teaching-related sessions. (1) As a follow-up to their presentation last year on developing a teaching portfolio, on Friday, June 13 at 2:30 p.m., Drs. Ken Cramer (University of Windsor) and Bill Owen (University of Northern British Columbia) will mount the Section Program, in the form of a workshop titled "Values and Ethics



in Teaching: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly.” (2) Our Section and the Section on Students in Psychology will again jointly sponsor a teaching workshop; this year the workshop will consider “Effective Teaching Strategies for Teaching Assistants and New Faculty” (Saturday, June 14, 1:00 p.m.); immediately following (Saturday, June 14, 3:00 p.m.), Robert Roughley and Meadow Schroeder (University of Calgary) will present a related teaching workshop on “Preventing Stage Fright.” (3) On Saturday, June 14 at 1 p.m., Andrea Arsenault will offer a fourth workshop: “Service Learning: An Alternative to Traditional Pedagogy.” (4) A symposium on “Qualitative Research in Psychology” will include oral papers by Terry Mitchell, Richard Walsh-Bowers, Rory Coughlan, Dana Friesen and Julian Hasford. (5) Two conversation sessions will consider (i) misconceptions on leading classroom discussions (Dengting Boyanton), and (ii) an integrative program for responsive practice (Stephanie Martin). (6) Posters will include examinations of: job fit and anxiety in university professors; gender in relation to competition in the university classroom; the role of adaption-innovation in students’ academic performance; factors influencing academic integrity in international students; identifying students who would benefit from peer review training; experiences of beginning teachers; and conducting interdisciplinary social science research at a community college (Poster Session G, June 14, 12:00 - 1:55 p.m.).

Dr. Margaret Matlin continues as the liaison with APA’s Society for the Teaching of Psychology; Dr. Matlin’s address is Department of Psychology, SUNY Geneseo, 1 College Circle, Geneseo, New York (716/2455205).

Section membership continues to be healthy, specifically, 80 non-student members and 25 student members. The continued assistance of members in expanding the Section and its visibility (particularly among student members) is strongly encouraged. Nominal annual Section dues (\$5.00) in large part enable the Section to sponsor an eminent Invited Speaker approximately every five years; past invitees on this august list have included Phil Zimbardo, Margaret Matlin, Bill McKeachie, Ludy T. Benjamin, Jr., and William Buskist.

Any questions, comments and/or suggestions about the Section on Teaching of Psychology may be directed to me at King’s University College, 266 Epworth Avenue, London, Ontario N6A 2M3 (519) 433-3491 Ext. 4408; fax 519-433-0353; e-mail nskinner@uwo.ca

Nicholas F. Skinner, Chair

WOMEN AND PSYCHOLOGY (SWAP)

Section Executive

Coordinator: Charlene Senn; Coordinator-Elect: Teresa Janz; Secretary/Treasurer: Noreen Stuckless; Newsletter Editors: Paula Barata (07), Shannon Ellis (08); Web Maven: Michelle McCarron; Membership Coordinator: Brenda Bettridge; Nomination Coordinator: Sandra Pyke; Abstract Review Coordinator: Maria Gurevich; Graduate Student Representative: Suzanne Cooper; Student Awards Coordinator: E.B. Brownlie; SWAP-CPA Board Liaison: Elizabeth Church; SWAP-SPW Liaison: Joanne Gallivan; Status of Women Committee Chair: Erika Horwitz.

Convention Activities

SWAP had a very successful convention in 2007. SWAP sponsored a Pre-conference Institute, two symposia, one conversation session, and three theory review sessions. The SWAP Institute, *Advocacy, Activism and Policy Change: Is Feminist Psychology Making a Difference?* began with a speech on *The Sex trade, Illegal Drug Use, Poverty and Homelessness: The Role*



of *Community and Political Activism* by Libby Davies, MP, Vancouver, followed by four workshops on varied topics. Our Section Keynote Address was provided by 2006 Distinguished Member award winner Dr. Hilary Lips from Radford University in Virginia. Her presentation, *Documenting and understanding the gender pay gap: A social psychological perspective*, was very well attended and received. Spirited discussion of Dr. Lips' research continued at our reception.

SWAP has a busy schedule of activities planned for 2008 in Halifax, including an exciting pre-convention institute, *Determinants of Women's Health: A Holistic Approach to Understanding Women's Psychological and Physical Well-being*, organized by Suzanne Cooper with the help of Joanne Gallivan. We were asked by the Clinical Section to co-sponsor their pre-conference workshop (*Working with Clients Who Have Sexual Difficulties: A Workshop for Psychologists with a General Practice*) by SWAP member Sandi Byers. We also nominated CPA Keynote Speaker Christina Robb, author of *This Changes Everything: The relational revolution in Psychology* (with the Counselling and Clinical Sections). Our 2007 Distinguished Member award winner, Fran Cherry, will present the Section Keynote address, *There is nothing so practical as a good feminist theory*. We will also be sponsoring two symposia, one theory review, two conversation sessions and one workshop, in addition to a number of poster presentations.

Section Membership

The Section continues to be very healthy with almost 190 members at the last count late in 2007. More than 60 of these members are students. More of our members are becoming sustaining members of the Section than ever before (including five students!) which is evidence of a strong commitment to our Section.

Awards

The 2007 SWAP Distinguished Member Award was awarded to Fran Cherry and the Feminist Mentoring Award to Mary Hampton, University of Regina. Neither award winner was able to be present at our meeting so tributes were read and the plaques mailed out to them.

Our Section prioritizes support for students with \$1500 distributed in awards each year. This year was no exception with one \$500 Student Paper Prize and five \$200 travel awards distributed.

Newsletter and Web Site

Three newsletters were published over the year. Editor Paula Barata mentored and then handed over the reins to Shannon Ellis for 2008.

We have realized that much of the 'herstory' of SWAP is at risk of being lost if we do not work actively to preserve it, so we have undertaken a number of projects to remedy this problem. We now have all past winners of awards listed on our website and have digitized all of the past newsletters that we can find. These are being posted on the website in a searchable format.

Charlene Senn, Chair



RURAL AND NORTHERN PSYCHOLOGY

Executive Committee:

Chair: Karen Dyck
Chair-Elect: Henry Harder
Secretary-Treasurer: Cindy Hardy

Executive Committee Nominations:

The section is currently seeking nominations for the positions of Chair-Elect, Chair, and Secretary-Treasurer.

Student Representative Position:

Section members recently voted unanimously in favor of adding a Student Representative position to the Executive Committee. A request to amend the section's bylaws has been forwarded to the CPA Board for review during their June meeting.

Update on CPA Professional Affairs Committee

Thanks to Judi Malone for her interest in representing our section on the Professional Affairs Committee of CPA.

Update on CPA Task Force on Prescriptive Authority for Psychologists

Brian Bigelow has been nominated as the section's representative for the task force.

North Star Student Award:

The North Star Student Award has recently been established by the Rural and Northern Psychology Section to recognize the student with the most meritorious submission to the Rural and Northern Section of the CPA annual convention. This award will be presented during the upcoming business meeting.

Membership News:

The section's membership is over 200, and growing strong.

Listserv & Webpage:

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of Hope Yungblut and Laura Voichita-Ocolisan the section listserv is up and running. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of Melissa Tiessen the section's webpage has been updated and transformed to a user friendly page.

Newsletter:

The section's newsletter "The View from Here: Perspectives in Rural and Northern Psychology" is being published and electronically distributed to members twice a year. Cindy Hardy and Karen Dyck are co-editing the newsletter.

Convention Activities:

Thanks to the hard work of a number of members, the section reviewed several submissions for the CPA Convention. We look forward to an ever growing presence at the convention.

Karen G. Dyck, Chair



CPA Historian

Since I prepared my last annual report in April 2007, and up until my resignation as CPA Historian in December 2007, my activities have included the following:

1) Responding to inquiries regarding the Canadian Psychological Association fonds at Library and Archives Canada (LAC); 2) Assisting researchers gain access to and copies of textual material at LAC; 3) Serving as a resource person for those working on the history of CPA or some aspect of Canadian psychology; 4) Meeting with the late Dr. Anthony Norton regarding primary and secondary source material of possible interest to historians of Canadian psychology; 5) Maintaining contact with Mr. Larry McNally of LAC regarding CPA's archival affairs; 6) Revising and up-dating the CPA Archives website in the Spring of 2007 to reflect changes to a) the physical layout of LAC; b) policy governing research at LAC and c) the LAC website; 7) Revising the CPA Archives website in the Fall of 2007 to reflect further changes to policy governing research at LAC and a massive overhaul of the LAC website; 8) Doing preliminary work towards developing a photograph policy for CPA and a mandate for the CPA Historian's position; 9) Establishing the CPA Archives Advisory Committee to advise and assist the CPA Historian in developing guidelines and policies for the CPA Archives. Members of the Committee included: Dr. Henderikus Stam (University of Calgary); Dr. Richard Walsh-Bowers (Wilfrid Laurier University) and Dr. Andrew Winston (University of Guelph); 10) Meeting with members of the CPA Archives Advisory Committee to discuss the development of a suitable mandate for the CPA Historian's position, and a photograph policy for CPA; 11) Appearing before the CPA Board of Directors to talk about my activities as CPA Historian; 12) Preparing an article for the fall issue of *Psynopsis*; 13) Completing my review of the restrictions placed on the interviews that comprise the "Oral history of Psychology" series at LAC; 14) Corresponding with members of the Association who wish to donate archival material to CPA; 15) Corresponding with Mr. John Court, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health Archives, regarding source material of possible interest to historians of Canadian psychology; 16) Assisting a member of the CPA Head Office staff with conducting oral histories; 17) Continuing to work on CPA's photograph collection; 18) Meeting and maintaining contact with Dr. John Service, CPA's Executive Director until 30 September 2007, about my activities as CPA Historian and issues that required our respective attention; 19) Meeting and corresponding with Dr. Karen Cohen, CPA's acting Executive Director, October 2007 - March 2008, regarding among other things, CPA's desire for a new copyright agreement with the CPA Historian, yearly contracts for the CPA Historian position, and quarterly reports.

In the period immediately following my resignation (i.e., January 2008), I prepared a report for the CPA Board of Directors summarizing my activities as CPA Historian from January to December 2007, and attended to all outstanding correspondence.

*Katalin Dzinás, CPA Historian
June 2000-December 2007*



CPA Representations

HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HCAC) WITH CORRECTIONAL SERVICE CANADA (CSC)

The undersigned continued to represent CPA and chair the Health Care Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee is to advise the Commissioner of Correctional Services Canada on matters related to all health care services within CSC. The members of the HCAC consists of representatives from the Canadian Dental, Medical, Nursing, Psychiatric, Psychology and Public Health Associations.

The HCAC visited the Québec and the Atlantic Regions in the past year. A site visit of the Institutions was carried out in the Québec Region and a Community Correctional Centre was visited in the Atlantic Region. Following these visits, the HCAC held meetings with the relevant CSC staff to review health care issues and policies that affect inmates within the federal system. Mr. Keith Coulter, Commissioner, CSC and Ms. Leslie MacLean, Assistant Commissioner of Health Services, CSC attended the meeting in the Québec Region in September 2007 and the latter also attended the meeting in the Atlantic Region in May 2008. Dr. Howard Njoo, Director General, Centre for Communicable Diseases and Infection Control, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) for attended part of the meeting to discuss policy direction in his area and definition of harm reduction.

Ms. Lynne Gray, nurse from BC, the CNA representative has resigned. Her knowledge and experience was most appreciated by the committee members. She will be replaced by a nominee of the CNA.

Under the new governance structure, Health Services within CSC has its own sector and a number of branches have been created to assist in the management of the major areas of health services such as mental health, public health, clinical services, policy, planning and quality improvement.

The undersigned can be contacted for any further information.

Yvette L. Thériault, Chair

NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS ACTIVE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (NAACJ)

During the 2007-2008 year, the undersigned continued to represent the Canadian Psychological Association on the National Associations Active in Criminal Justice (NAACJ), which is an 'umbrella' organization for various voluntary sector and professional organizations that are national in scope and have a particular interest in Canada's justice system. NAACJ is funded by an operating grant from federal ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness and currently consists of 18 organizations.

Much of the focus of NAACJ over the last year has centred around the 'blue ribbon' panel, chaired by Robert Sampson, that was appointed to conduct a review of the operation and infra-



structure of the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC). One of the controversial recommendations from the panel was the elimination of statutory release. NAACJ conducted numerous planning meetings around the deliberation of the panel and various member organizations have made presentations to the panel. NAACJ members have also discussed various plans and strategies to respond to the panel's report which was released in November, 2007.

The undersigned was unable to attend this year's consultation meeting with the Correctional Service of Canada in February, 2008. Another consultation meeting with CSC is now planned for September, 2008.

However, I was able to attend a meeting of the Advisory Committee of Research for the Correctional Service of Canada that was hosted by the recently confirmed Director-General, Research Services, Dr. Brian Grant, in March, 2008. Stakeholders from various governmental (CSC and other departments) and nongovernmental organizations were in attendance. The undersigned represented the academic community. CSC research personnel presented a review of various ongoing research activities, including survey research on mental health offenders in CSC. The priority research areas for 08-09 were also reviewed. Discussions then focused on a mechanism for the development of research priorities in the future, which was followed by a discussion of potential research topics that might be included amongst future priorities. Finally, there was a discussion about the approval process for externally proposed research (i.e., research with CSC participants and/or data). It was reported that a more expedient process to review and approve research was under development and a commitment was made that proposals would be reviewed in a more timely fashion than has been the case in the last few years.

It is anticipated that details about these and other NAACJ items will be conveyed by the undersigned to the CPA membership at the annual business meeting of the Criminal Justice Psychology Section in Halifax in June, 2008.

J. Stephen Wormith, Chair

COUNCIL OF CANADIAN DEPARTMENTS OF PSYCHOLOGY (CCDP)

Recent activities of the CCDP include considerable advertising of academic positions at Canadian Universities. These are posted on the CCDP web site <http://bolt.lakeheadu.ca/~psy-chwww/CCDP/CCDPindex.html>

Following the February, 2008 CPA meeting, CPA and CCDP wrote a joint letter to the President of SSHRC about eligibility requirements for scholarships. This letter led to a meeting with the VP- Program Marilyn Taylor and two program officers. The meeting discussed the scholarship program and other issues. The SSHRC people expressed an understanding of the issue, and a willingness to work with Canadian psychologists on issues. Although no firm decision was made regarding the eligibility issue, it was agreed that there would be follow-up discussions on this issue.

The CCDP will hold its next meeting in concert with the CPA conference in Halifax in June, 2008. It has decided to move the date and time, though, to be a dinner meeting on the Saturday evening. A number of issues are on the agenda there:

- A Report on CPA Activities
- The SSHRC scholarship policy and discussions



- Future meetings: with CSBBCS or CPA?
- The Task Force on Supply and Demand Issues in Canadian Psychology
- A Follow up to a teaching load survey
- We have also invited Drs. Shelagh Towson and Kathryn Lafreniere to speak to the dinner on a theme of interest to CCDP members, which this year will be benchmarking for undergraduate curricula.

Keith Dobson, Executive Director





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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the statement of financial position of the Canadian Psychological Association as at December 31, 2007 and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Association's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at December 31, 2007 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. As required by the Canada Corporations Act, we report that, in our opinion, except for the change in the method of accounting for financial instruments, as explained in note 1 to the financial statements, these principles have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Ottawa, Canada
March 7, 2008



CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2007, with comparative figures for 2006

	2007	2006
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 97,175	\$ 470,753
Short-term investments	425,000	–
Accounts receivable	50,878	56,453
Due from the Foundation (note 3)	10,704	–
Prepaid expenses and advances	19,833	28,345
Primary Health Care Transition Fund receivable	–	81,890
	603,590	637,441
Long-term investments (market value 2006 - \$1,132,197)	1,353,372	1,032,307
Capital assets (note 4)	166,305	208,748
	\$2,123,267	\$1,878,496
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$217,885	\$165,777
Deferred revenue (note 5)	754,379	694,330
Due to the Foundation (note 3)	–	773
	972,264	860,880
Leasehold inducements	31,083	35,804
Fund balances:		
Investment in capital assets	166,305	208,748
Restricted (note 6)	143,638	88,674
Unrestricted	809,977	684,390
	1,119,920	981,812
Commitments and contingent liabilities (notes 8 and 9)		
	\$2,123,267	\$1,878,496

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Members:

_____ Director

_____ Director



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Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2007, with comparative figures for 2006

	2007	2006
Revenue:		
Membership fees	\$1,046,023	\$1,008,590
Less: allocation to journal subscriptions	(165,184)	(155,049)
Less: allocation to abstracts	(74,040)	(70,560)
	806,799	782,981
Investment	14,197	57,724
Miscellaneous	110,013	79,573
Foreign exchange gain	1,229	2,399
Sections processing charge	5,764	5,427
	938,002	928,104
Journals (note 7)	299,219	309,715
Annual convention (note 7)	378,060	259,364
Accreditation panel	159,610	132,225
Psynopsis	22,545	20,180
Abstracts	75,120	72,875
Internet	67,650	55,350
Representation	1,802	1,443
CPA Workshops	28,999	53,565
Publications	12,404	20,175
Primary Health Care Transition	–	6,990
	1,983,411	1,859,986
Expenses:		
Administration	1,131,260	1,022,530
Less overhead allocation (note 2(i))	(144,983)	(153,425)
	986,277	869,105
Journal subscriptions	261,306	258,483
Annual convention	360,854	362,461
Accreditation panel	151,344	168,142
Psynopsis	45,910	48,014
New Media	22,467	25,424
Representation	39,870	47,043
CPA Workshops	67,406	77,908
Publications	5,943	10,710
Advocacy	3,816	7,163
Primary Health Care Transition	–	92,095
IUPsyS	–	5,473
	1,945,193	1,972,021
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$38,218	\$(112,035)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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Statement of Changes in Fund Balances

Year ended December 31, 2007, with comparative figures for 2006

	Investment in capital assets	Restricted (note 5)	Unrestricted	Total 2007	Total 2006
Fund balances, beginning of year as previously reported	\$208,748	\$88,674	\$684,390	\$981,812	\$1,093,847
Adjustment of long-term investments to fair value at January 1, 2007	–	–	99,890	99,890	–
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	208,748	88,674	784,280	1,081,702	1,093,847
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	–	10,911	27,307	38,218	(112,035)
Capital asset purchases	8,603	–	(8,603)	–	–
Amortization of capital assets	(51,046)	–	51,046	–	–
Interfund transfers (note 6)	–	44,053	(44,053)	–	–
Fund balances, end of year	\$166,305	\$143,638	\$809,977	\$1,119,920	\$981,812

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2007, with comparative figures for 2006

	2007	2006
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operations:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$38,218	\$(112,035)
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of capital assets	51,046	57,956
Amortization of leasehold inducements	(4,721)	(4,722)
Unrealized loss on investments recorded at fair value	62,700	-
Net change in non-cash working capital balances:		
Decrease in short-term investments	(425,000)	-
Accounts receivable	5,575	89,654
Prepaid expenses and advances	8,512	6,628
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	52,108	(1,620,433)
Due to (from) the Foundation	(11,477)	1,837
Deferred revenue	60,049	58,268
Primary Health Care Transition Fund receivable	81,890	711,594
	(81,100)	(811,253)
Investing and financing activities:		
Capital asset purchases	(8,603)	(14,526)
Increase in long-term investments	(283,875)	(187,634)
	(292,478)	(202,160)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(373,578)	(1,013,413)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	470,753	1,484,166
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$97,175	\$470,753

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2007

The Canadian Psychological Association (the “Association”) was organized in 1939 and incorporated under the Canada Corporations Act, part II in May 1950, as a non-profit organization. Its mission is to advance and promote psychology for the benefit of all. Its objectives are:

- To improve the psychological health and welfare of all Canadians;
- To promote excellence and innovation in psychological research, education and practice;
- To promote the advancement, development, dissemination, and application of psychological knowledge; and
- To provide high quality services to members.

1. Adoption of new accounting standards:

(a) Financial instruments:

Effective January 1, 2007, the Association adopted the new standards for Financial Instruments in accordance with various sections of the CICA Handbook including Section 3855 “Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement”. In accordance with the transitional provisions of this Section, the Association has prospectively adopted the recommendations, and therefore the 2006 comparative figures have not been restated. The impact of the implementation of these standards on these financial statements is described below.

(i) Investments:

The Association has designated its short and long-term investments as held for trading, and as such, short and long-term investments are recorded at fair value on the statement of financial position. In prior years, investments were recorded at cost. As a result, there has been an increase of \$99,890 recorded to the opening balance of net assets to reflect the prior years’ net appreciation of the fair value of the Association’s investments.

(ii) Other financial assets and liabilities:

The Association has classified accounts receivable and due from the Foundation as loans and receivables and accounts payable and due to the Foundation as other liabilities. These classifications do not impact the amounts on these financial statements.



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1. Adoption of new accounting standards (continued):

(a) Financial instruments (continued):

(iii) Embedded derivatives:

The Association adopted a transition date for embedded derivatives of January 1, 2003 and, accordingly, only recognized those embedded derivatives requiring separation from host contracts issued, acquired or substantially modified subsequent to this transition date. There were no derivatives or embedded derivatives recognized in the Association's financial statements as a result of the adoption of these new standards.

(b) Accounting changes:

Effective January 1, 2007, Canadian Psychological Association adopted the revised CICA Handbook Section 1506 "Accounting Changes" relating to changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors. Adoption of these recommendations had no effect on the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2007, except for the disclosure of accounting changes that have been issued by the CICA but have not yet been adopted by Canadian Psychological Association because they are not effective until a future date (refer to Future Accounting Standards in note 11).

2. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Fund accounting:

The Association follows the restricted fund method of accounting for not-for-profit organizations.

The unrestricted fund accounts for the Association's program delivery, journal subscriptions and administrative activities. Restricted funds report the revenue, expenses and fund balances of the activities of the Association for which the funding is restricted to that activity.

(b) Short-term investments:

Short-term investments are designated as held for trading and are recorded at fair value. Fair value is determined at quoted market values. Sales and purchases of short-term investments are recorded on the settlement date. Transaction costs related to the acquisition of investments are expensed.

(c) Long-term investments:

Long-term investments are designated as held for trading and are recorded at fair value. Fair value is determined at quoted market values. Sales and purchases of long-term investments are recorded on the settlement date. Transaction costs related to the acquisition of investments are expensed.



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2. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(c) Long-term investments (continued):

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from these estimates. These estimates are reviewed periodically and as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in the years in which they become known.

(d) Leasehold inducements:

Leasehold inducements are deferred and amortized over the term of the lease. Annual amortization is recorded as a credit to rent expense.

(e) Revenue recognition:

Membership fees and journal subscriptions are collected on a calendar year basis and are recognized as revenue in the year to which the membership or subscription relate. Fees and subscriptions collected prior to the membership or subscription year are recorded as deferred revenue.

Accreditation panel fees are levied on an annual basis for the period of September 1 to August 31 and are recognized as revenue in the year to which they relate. The portion of the collected fees relating to the period of January 1 to August 31 is recorded as deferred revenue at December 31.

(f) Membership fee allocations:

Membership fees are levied for two purposes: to support the general activities of the Association and to contribute towards the cost of publication of journals. The Association allocates \$14.50 of each member's fees to journal revenue for each journal a member receives, to a maximum of two per member. The Association allocates \$5.00 of each member's fees to abstracts revenue.

(g) Sections processing charge:

The Association and its 23 Sections represent the interests and promote the advancement of the discipline of psychology in Canada. The Association has control over the Sections of the Association. The Association collects funding from its members on behalf of the Sections. The financial operations, resources and obligations of each Section are individually immaterial in relation to the Association. Management has determined that the cost of collecting the information exceeds the benefit that would be derived from providing this information. For this reason and because of the number of Sections, they have not been consolidated or disclosed in these financial statements.



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2. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(h) Capital assets:

Capital assets are recorded at cost, and amortized over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Asset	Basis	Annual Rate
Office furniture and equipment	Declining balance	20%
Computer equipment	Straight-line	5%
Software	Straight-line	3 years
Leasehold improvements	Over term of lease	10 years

Amortization commences in the year subsequent to acquisition, except for leasehold improvements where amortization commences in the year purchased.

(i) Overhead allocation:

A portion of administration expense is allocated as overhead to Journals, Annual Convention, Accreditation Panel, Psynopsis, New Media, Representation, IUPsyS, CPA Workshops, Publications, and Advocacy in amounts equal to 18% of their respective expenses and to Primary Health Care Transition Fund as allowed under the contribution agreement.

(j) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from these estimates. These estimates are reviewed periodically and as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in the years in which they become known.

3. Related party transaction:

The Association has an economic interest in the Canadian Psychological Association Foundation (the "Foundation"). The Association is related to the Foundation by having common members of the Board of Directors and common management. The Foundation was incorporated on March 8, 2002 under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act and is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act (Canada).



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3. Related party transaction (continued):

The Foundation's objectives are to advance education, provide support for the development of educational materials, to carry out or support research, to award scholarships, bursaries and grants to students, to provide for the development of endowed chairs in the field of psychology and to transfer funding to registered charities that support the same interests.

During the year, the Association provided the Foundation with office space and administrative services without charge. During the year, the Association paid expenses for and collected revenue on behalf of the Foundation, resulting in a receivable of \$10,704 at December 31, 2007 (2006 – payable of \$773).

4. Capital assets:

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2007 Net book value	2006 Net book value
Office furniture and equipment	\$147,726	\$112,454	\$35,272	\$44,731
Computer equipment	147,560	122,910	24,650	27,438
Software	128,129	128,129	–	12,465
Leasehold improvements	177,305	70,922	106,383	124,114
	\$600,720	\$434,415	\$166,305	\$208,748

Cost and accumulated amortization as at December 31, 2006 amounted to \$592,117 and \$383,369 respectively.

5. Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue consists of the following:

	2007	2006
Membership fees	\$600,307	\$587,603
Accreditation panel fees	79,200	67,200
Journal subscriptions	9,237	27,094
Ethnopolitical Warfare	10,813	10,813
Representation donations	3,156	1,220
Mental Health Surveillance	51,666	–
Convention	–	400
	\$754,379	\$694,330



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6. Restricted net assets:

	Balance, beginning of year	Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	Transferred from Unrestricted	Balance, end of year
Publications Reserve Fund	\$71,705	\$6,461	\$ –	\$78,166
Advocacy Reserve Fund	–	(3,816)	3,816	–
Accreditation Panel Fund	–	8,266	20,237	28,503
IUPsyS Fund	16,969	–	–	16,969
Supply and Demand Task Force	–	–	7,500	7,500
Prescription Privileges Task Force	–	–	7,500	7,500
Congo Committee Fund	–	–	5,000	5,000
	\$88,674	\$10,911	\$44,053	\$143,638

Restricted net assets are funds committed for specific purposes, which reflect the application of the Association's reserve policy as follows:

- (a) The Publications Reserve Fund represents an internally dedicated source of funds for new publications or future editions of current publications.
- (b) The Advocacy Reserve Fund is established as an internally dedicated long-term source of funds available to the Association for unexpected contingencies.
- (c) The Accreditation Panel Fund is established as an internally dedicated source of funds for accreditation activities and related special projects.
- (d) The IUPsyS Fund is established to fund attendance at IUPsyS conferences and the annual general meeting.
- (e) The Supply and Demand Task force is established to undertake a study of the supply of and demand for psychologists in Canada.
- (f) The Prescription Privileges Task force is established to undertake a study to develop a position on prescription privileges for psychologists.
- (g) The Congo Committee is established to support the development of a CPA initiative to provide psychological aid in the Congo.



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7. Grant revenue:

The Association received grants from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada ("SSHRC") as noted below.

	2007	2006
Journals (Canadian Psychology and Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science)	\$48,996	\$49,592
Annual convention travel	41,261	41,261
	<u>\$90,257</u>	<u>\$90,853</u>

This grant revenue has been included in journals and annual convention in the statement of operations.

8. Commitments:

The Association is committed to payments under operating leases for office space which expire April 2006 and July 2014. The minimum aggregate rent payable to the expiry dates is as follows:

2008	\$56,657
2009	56,657
2010	60,933
2011	60,933
2012 and thereafter	182,799
	<u>\$417,979</u>

9. Contingent liabilities:

The Association allows employees to accrue sick days and carry them forward to future years to be used as short-term disability, as necessary. These amounts do not vest with the employee and have not been recorded in these financial statements.



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10. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities:

The carrying values of cash, accounts receivable, due from the Foundation, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and due to the Foundation approximate their fair values due to the relatively short periods to maturity of the instruments.

11. Future accounting standards:

On December 1, 2006, the CICA issued two new accounting standards: Handbook Section 3862 "*Financial Instruments – Disclosures*"; Handbook Section 3863 "*Financial Instruments – Presentation*". These standards are effective for Canadian Psychological Association reporting period beginning on January 1, 2008. The new Handbook Sections 3862 and 3863 replace Handbook Section 3861 "Financial Instruments - Disclosure and Presentation", revising and enhancing its disclosure requirements, and carrying forward unchanged its presentation requirements. These new sections place increased emphasis on disclosures about the nature and extent of risks arising from financial instruments and how the entity manages those risks.

Canadian Psychological Association is currently assessing the impact of these new accounting standards on its financial statements.