

Canadian Psychological Association  
Section for Students in Psychology Executive - Fall Conference Call

## SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Monday October 27, 2008

**Present:** Kelly Smith (Chair), Philip Jai Johnson (Chair-Elect), Lindsay Uman (Past-Chair), Pamela Seeds (Secretary-Treasurer), Annie Drouin (Communications Officer), Margaret Hilton (Undergraduate Affairs Coordinator), Kelly Hayton (Website and Listserv Manager)

**Absent:** Nicole Wilson (Campus Representative Coordinator)

### Highlights:

- Discussion of who plans to attend the CPA Convention this year in Montreal (June 11-13, 2009)
- Section for Students will be submitting 4 workshops to this year's convention
  - Teaching strategies workshop for TAs and new faculty in conjunction with Teaching Section
  - Internship application workshop in conjunction with Clinical Section
  - Presenting your Results: Writing for publication, posters, and presentations
  - Applying for scholarships and grants
- Reminder that Section for Students will have to review abstracts submitted to this section within a 2-week turnaround period
- Started discussion about planning for student social, thinking about date, potential venues, and keeping the costs manageable
- Recruitment of more Francophone students is being pursued by our executive
- Discussion and clarification of student member on the Professional Affairs Committee
  - Kelly S. to continue as the student representative
- Planning for Student Section Elections in 2009
  - Open positions: Chair-Elect, Communications Officer
  - Call for applicants will go out in January/February 2009
  - Formal election in March 2009
- Student articles in Psynopsis
  - Review of upcoming deadlines and recent articles
  - Deadlines: Dec. 1, 2008; March 1, 2009; June 1, 2009; Sept. 1, 2009
  - Pamela and Kelly S. just submitted article on Canadian Interprofessional Student Network (CISN), a new interdisciplinary student initiative
- Update on our involvement with Canadian Interprofessional Student Network (CISN)
  - Pamela attended their teleconference in Sept. as our representative
  - Informational booklet being compiled about all student professions that will be ready for distribution in January 2009
- Brainstorm and discuss ideas for Psychology Month and how to increase awareness
- Update on Listserv
  - Over 1500 members on listserv

- Some difficulties with new listserv host (all members may not be receiving emails)
- Budget Update
  - Discussion on anticipated translation costs for coming year
  - Kelly H. has logged a lot of hours dealing with listserv issues and will keep us up-to-date on her hours
- Review of Campus and Faculty Representation this year so far
  - Lots of turnaround in campus reps; no problems finding replacements
  - Working in conjunction with Dr. David Dozois to define role of faculty reps
  - Potential to profile reps on listserv or in Psynopsis
- Reminder that all listserv emails should be in both French and English if being sent by an executive member
- Annie is working on translating the current website, and needed assistance in prioritizing which pages to do first
- Next Meeting: Spring Conference Call