

Publications Committee February 2007

The new Editors of *Canadian Psychology (CP)* and the *Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science (CJBS)* have both had the first journal issues of their editorial terms sent out. Both first issues came out on time.

John Hunsley, the new Editor of *CP*, has organized a special section in the second issue of the journal on applications of psychological research to public policy in Canada. It will include articles from Steve Lindsay, Roger Dixon, Philippe Landreville, and Wendy Craig. There will also be a special issue of *CP* in 2008 devoted to the domain of literacy development in Canada, with Alain Desrochers and Sonya Symons serving as action editors. Adam Radomsky, the Book Review Editor, is planning to include 7 or 8 reviews in each issue this year.

In response to a call for reviewers from the Sections, Greg Irving, the new Editor of *CJBS*, received more than 70 responses. Most volunteers were from the Student Section, so this has been more of an investment in future reviewers than an outright solution to the problem Greg was facing of too few willing reviewers in some areas of expertise. Greg reports that the pool of reviewers is growing through this and other efforts on his part, which is reducing the turnaround time for manuscripts. He has identified further building of the pool of manuscript reviewers as one of his goals for his editorial term. received more than 70 responses. Most volunteers were from the Student Section, so this has been more of an investment in future reviewers than an outright solution to the problem Greg was facing of too few willing reviewers in some areas of expertise. Greg reports that the pool of reviewers is growing through this and other efforts on his part, which is reducing the turnaround time for manuscripts. He has identified further building of the pool of manuscript reviewers as one of his goals for his editorial term. There is a special issue of CJBS planned on Organizational Psychology Research in the New Millennium, with guest co-editors Gary Latham and Marie-Helene Budworth. The deadline for submissions for that issue is September 1, 2007.

Simon Grondin, Editor of the *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology*, has a special issue on Touch underway, which is expected to be ready for September. Simon and I have been working with Carolyn Harley, President of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS), on the details of a proposal for CPA to collaborate more fully and formally in the publication of *CJEP*. The Publications Committee has reviewed the proposal, and I'll be bringing a motion to the February Board meeting for the Directors' consideration.

Negotiations have progressed to the point of a revised contract proposal from APA. The Publications Committee has also been reviewing this proposal. A copy is in Board members' binders, and a more detailed report will be provided at the February Board meeting. My thanks to John Service and Dan Berman for all their hard work on this.

Ian Nicholson, the Director responsible for Professional Affairs, has approached me to discuss the possibility of having CPA add a practitioners' journal to its publication offerings. I put him in contact with Will Schweitzer from APA, who was generally very enthusiastic about talking to him about the next steps to take in developing this idea.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Josephson, Chair