

## CPA Section Telephone Meeting Minutes

Sport and Exercise Psychology

Date: Friday October 7 2011

Stéphane Perreault- Chair

Members present: Kim Sogge, Tricia Orzeck, Amber Mosewich

Members absents: Peter Crocker, Patrick Gaudreau

3:05 (EST) All attendees confirm their presence by presenting themselves. The chair welcomed all of the members present and proposed that they discuss the following items: the special CPA issue, the conference, and a potential sponsorship by Adidas. The chair also suggests that a fourth point be added to the agenda entitled general inquiries and section related information.

### Agenda items

#### **1) Conference**

Various issues are discussed with respect to the next CPA conference to be held in Halifax. It was clarified who would be taking over the past co-ordinator's duties and when this was unknown, it was clarified that the Chair often takes this role if no other member is designated as the conference chair. The main issue with the conference is timing and deadlines. Discussion included "competition with NASPSPA". The conference is being held in Honolulu (Hawaii) and many of the members feel that the potential conference attendees will choose this conference or others over the one sponsored by CPA. There were discussions regarding the timelines for abstracts and pre-convention planning. These were unable to be met this year for various reasons and it was discussed that a section speaker could be solicited over the next year in preparation for the 2013 conference. It was decided and voted that a pre-convention workshop would not be done this year in any form due to the timing to prepare this at this point, in addition to lack of funds. It was suggested that a pre-conference workshop be re-assessed for the 2013 conference either with CPA or in combination with other organizations, such as SCAPPS. It was also suggested that a completely new day be generated in an appealing location separate from CPA. Members raised the points about conflicts with many other organizations and sport related conferences that do this very thing. However, discussion continued with integrating workshops and symposiums, balancing research and practice within the conference. It was encouraged to solicit and prepare in-conference workshops to be submitted before the deadline.

The chair informs the members that he will be attending the SCAPPS conference in order to evaluate who might come to the conference. Other members noted their attendance at conferences and efforts to solicit interest in CPA. Another issue that is discussed is the need for the section to nominate CPA award winners in order to give the section more visibility. In line with this point, the members agree that, for the next conference in order to meet the Oct. 15th deadline, an effort should be made to try to nominate CPA award winners, again by nominating our current members. Finally, the formal planning of the conference is discussed and the executive members agreed that we should attempt to put invite members to join a symposium. At this point in time, the chair informs the members that he has performed a content analysis of web portrayals of sport psychologists and states that he hopes to present this piece of work at the conference. It was discussed that conference hours need to be balanced between research and practice and reminded that the executive committee needs to vote on how those hours are used since this is a Section decision. The Fact Sheet was discussed again with a more concrete plan of what to include- the Chair to follow-up on this. A reminder of the conference will be sent out to section members by the section secretary. Section student rep also to connect with student members.

## **2) The special CPA issue**

The chair informs the members that he has taken the initiative of contacting Martin Drapeau, the new editor of Canadian Psychology. He further explains that their discussions have been fruitful and that he has accepted the idea of editing a special issue pertaining to Sport and Exercise Psychology. Finally, the chair asks if the members are in agreement with this idea and with his involvement as an Editor for this project. Unanimously, the members welcome this initiative, in addition to the supporting the Chair's editorial role, and ask the chair to finalize the details related to completing this task (i.e., creating an abstract for the call for papers for the special issue and set a deadline for article submission). Suggestions are also made by the members to the chair for the construction of a pertinent abstract. Members asked for a documentation with the vision relayed by the Chair on how this issue might integrate with conference activities. A discussion regarding the content for the conference, potential narrow focus, and need to balance research, training, and practice issues.

## **3) Potential sponsorship**

The chair informs the members that he has been informed that the Sport school where he works might be able to help him find a sponsor (Adidas). Unanimous support was garnered by members to continue seeking such funding and report back to executive with potential conflicts or vision that may conflict with section stance or CPA. It was reminded that CPA will need to be consulted on any potential sponsors to ensure there are no legal conflicts. Chair also tells them that more will need to be done and that he might try to recruit students from the graphic design course to help him create a visually appealing concept. Chair to report back on progress in this area.

## **3) General inquiries and section related information**

Various topics are covered at the end of the meeting such as how the student representative of the section will attempt to gather information about the interest of students to come to the CPA conference. Secretary will connect student rep to members and help facilitate that role with previously generated documents and email lists. The chair also discusses the need to hold potential SCAPPS/CPA meetings, and perhaps with other organizations. Finally, the need to create a bilingual web site is discussed with cost being an ongoing issue. Discussed regarding CPA's past re-integration into their web format has created some issues- apa's div. 47 newly revised website might be consulted.

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting to vote on conference hours, discuss special issue vision, future conference, and sponsorship slated for Friday Nov. 25th (15:00 EST).