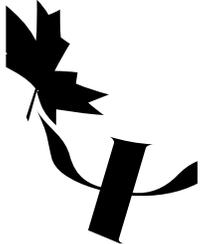


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President's Report

In my year as president, I have had the opportunity to witness first-hand, the dynamism and energy of Canadian psychology. One of the privileges of the presidency is the regular contact with the Executive Director, Dr. Karen Cohen. In addition, there is ongoing communication with board members about committee activities and current issues. The Ambassador program conducted at the winter board meeting offered a wonderful opportunity to meet psychologists working in the Vancouver area.

Head Office

Although operational issues fall under the purview of the Executive Director, Karen generously included me in discussions around the restructuring in roles at head office. In 2008-2009 we have witnessed many changes, welcoming a new Associate Executive Director, Communications Director, Registrar and Executive Assistant. I take my hat off to the entire team for their accomplishments during the challenging period before the positions were filled. New members of the team have embraced their roles with gusto, learning about CPA and eagerly assuming new challenges. We look forward to the inauguration of the new Science Directorate and Practice Directorate. New policies on confidentiality should protect all who work at CPA in an environment that is increasingly complex.

Advocacy

There is consensus on the need for CPA to play a leadership role in advocacy. Unfortunately, many of us feel ill-equipped to convey our messages in a succinct and powerful manner that is easily understood by the public and policy-makers. In mid-January, Karen and I participated in a media training session offered by PRpost. Together with representatives from CPAP we brainstormed about the message that psychology wishes to convey, as well as possible slogans. We learned strategies for gaining media attention and practiced interview skills. I was impressed that all representatives shared a common vision of the pillars of psychology: science and ethics. Attendees' passion for psychology was contagious.

The work of updating and reviewing fact sheets is a joint initiative between Linda McPhee and the sections. This well-used resource is a valuable tool for conveying information based on solid research evidence in an accessible manner.

International Links

In December 2008, I visited Moscow and signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Russian Psychological Society. As a follow-up to that visit, I have been in contact with several psychologists concerning specific initiatives. Following a visit by a delegation of Canadian psychologists to South Africa in October 2008, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between CPA and the Psychological Association of South Africa (PsySSA) in April 2009. At the February 2009 board meeting, we approved a template for future memoranda, as well as a process of consultation with the International Relations Committee.

I feel privileged to have served as CPA's 2008-2009 President, following the many distinguished colleagues who have served us so well in this capacity in the past. As I prepare to pass the gavel to Dr. Martin Antony, I'd like to thank all those people who work so hard to *advance psychology for all*. Special thanks are due to outgoing board members, Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos whose wisdom and integrity are so much appreciated, as well as Dr. Nicole Aube whose passion for psychology is truly contagious.

Thank you!

Catherine M. Lee, CPA President



Executive Director's Report

INTRODUCTION

2008-09 was another year of growth and change for CPA. As detailed under Staff Complement below, several new and senior staff persons have been recruited and, as of March 2009, CPA has become fully staffed. This has enabled us to vision and expand our representation and activities in science and practice as highlighted in the report that follows.

HEAD OFFICE

Finances

Please see the 2008 Auditor's report. The financial base of the Association continues to be solid and we in fact ended 2008 with a significant surplus. This surplus was largely derived from lower than expected expenses related to CPA's publication partnership with the APA which took effect in January 2008 as well as to the fact that several staff positions remained unfilled for some period of months during 2008.

The 2008 surplus of funds will be directed as per CPA policy towards equity, the CPA Foundation, as well as some special projects for 2009. Special projects will include:

- Website updating
- Psynopsis redesign
- Establishment and launch of resource for a Science and Practice Directorate

Staff Complement

There have been several changes to our staff complement in 2008-09. At the end of March 2009, Dr. Lisa Votta Bleeker was successfully recruited into a full-time Associate Executive Director position. Dr. Votta-Bleeker, who holds a Ph.D. in experimental psychology, comes to CPA with a wealth of public policy experience in the area of health promotion and prevention.

Dr. Arcangelo Caputo, CPA's Registrar of Accreditation since 2006 resigned in December of 2008. In January of 2009, we welcomed Dr. Daniel Lavoie to this .4FTE position. Dr. Lavoie is a clinical psychologist in private practice in Ottawa with several years of teaching and supervisory experience at the University of Ottawa.

In September 2008, we engaged Ms. Linda McPhee as our Director of Communications and Stakeholder Relations. Ms. McPhee comes to us with years of experience in communications within the federal government and in advocacy within the private sector.

Also in the fall of 2008, we have welcomed two new administrative assistants to the Head Office team – Ms. Stacy Wrigley and Ms. Marcelle Desmornes.

CPA Head Office and its Board and membership are enriched by these additions to its staff and we look forward to even more productive and collaborative initiatives and activity going forward.

Finally, in the spring of 2009, we issued a call for proposals for the historian position. The application deadline was May 1st, 2009. Review of applications and the interview process is currently underway.



Web Site

With the hire of a Director of Communications, we have undertaken a review and revamp of the CPA webpages under Ms. McPhee's direction and the membership may have already noticed some design improvements. As mentioned, the CPA Board has designated some of the 2008 surplus to website updating which will largely focus on reviewing and updating the content of posts and resources. We have also created a webmaster email address with which to receive notification of broken links.

Ms. McPhee has been managing the fact sheet review process and almost 30 fact sheets have been reviewed, revised and reposted on the CPA website. Many thanks are due to the Sections and their members who have lent their time and expertise to the reviews.

Several surveys are in progress or under development and administered from the CPA website. These include one developed in 2008 and launched in 2009 on the emergency preparedness activities of psychologists and psychological associations across Canada, one developed in 2009 on the needs and views of CPA's scientist members about roles and activities for CPA to undertake on behalf of science. In addition, several positions and papers CPA has developed and submitted in 2009 have been posted to the site (e.g. response to the Mental Health Commission's draft framework for a national mental health strategy, third party involvement in neuropsychological assessment, supervision guidelines). The membership will also note that we have also revamped our electronic CPA newsletter launched in April 2009.

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. Our capital equipment needs have been stable other than some routine computer upgrading and some new purchases for newly recruited staff.

Some retrofitting of Head Office space is underway to create new office space with which to house staff anticipated for externally funded projects in 2009 through 2011.

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 2009

CPA reported on the Federal Government's 2009 budget as it relates to the funding of research in both the winter and spring issues of *Psynopsis* (see the columns on the Canadian Consortium for Research as well as the columns of our Directors for Science and Education and Training). In short, the budget announced 2 billion dollars allocated to infrastructure for post-secondary institutions and 35 million to support graduate student research for each of CIHR and NSERC with 17.5 million for SSHRC. There has been some concern that the funds allocated to support graduate student research through the granting councils come through the strategic reviews and subsequent cuts within each Council. Core funding of the Councils is not only essential to the advancement of knowledge but also provides the platform within which graduate student research takes place. There is also concern that the 17.5 million to SSHRC is targeted for business-related degrees and that one of the outcomes of the strategic review



and cuts effected by SSHRC is that SSHRC will no longer fund any health related research. This latter is a particular concern to psychology whose health-related research is more likely to have fallen under the traditional mandate of SSHRC than other disciplines with a more pervasively biomedical focus. CPA continues its membership on the steering committee of the Canadian Consortium for Research and will participate in the advocacy and lobbying activities planned for 2009.

Other CPA activities for science include:

- convening a symposium of senior officers of the granting Councils at the 2009 annual convention at which they will address gaps and opportunities for psychological research
- successful advocacy with SSHRC around the funding of doctoral students at the masters level of study
- meeting with SSHRC around the transition of all health-related research to CIHR
- meeting with NSERC around the eligibility of psychology students in applied programmes for funding of their NSERC-related research
- CPA survey of its scientist members to get their views and feedback on how CPA can best meet their needs

A final and important development for science is the funding and launch of a Science Directorate within CPA within which to undertake advocacy activity for science. The engagement of an Associate Executive Director (AED) at 1.0 FTE instead of the .8 FTE held by the previous AED was in order to increase senior staffing devoted to science activity and advocacy. In collaboration with the Scientific Affairs Committee and with Dr. Cohen, Dr. Votta Bleeker will take on responsibility for CPA's science activity. Dr. Votta Bleeker's AED report also provides a summary of her current and previewed activity for science since her hire in March 2009.

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH

Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC): CPA managed a contract with PHAC in 2009 to look at the incorporation of mental health and wellbeing into Canada's Healthy Living Strategy. This contract was the further development of a proposal for a mental health guide that CPA had made under the leadership of Dr. John Service in response to the Romanow Commission and Dr. Service took the lead on this project. Further meetings and consultations are planned and will involve CPA's participation. We have also been consulting with PHAC around the development of definitions of mental health and wellbeing.

Mental health surveillance: CPA plans to be able to further its web-based surveillance survey tools and database of psychologists' practice activity in 2009.

Advocacy tools: CPA is currently developing a roster of papers in the service of advocacy. Those planned and related to science include the role and contribution of psychological research to the development of knowledge and society across sectors and the role of psychological factors and determinants in health promotion and disease prevention.

PRACTICE

Emergency Preparedness and Response: The CPA continues its participation in several national activities related to emergency preparedness and has in fact taken on a secretariat role for the National Psychosocial Preparedness Advisory Consortium. We have also launched our survey of practitioners and psychological associations about their emergency preparedness activi-



ties. We plan to undertake a review of the literature on effectiveness and indications of psychosocial emergency response. More information on these files is contained in the report of the Associate Executive Director.

Mental Health Table: CPA launched and now co-chairs a Mental Health Table (MHT) for regulated providers involved in the delivery of health care to persons with mental health problems. Member associations include medicine, psychiatry, social work, nursing, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech language pathology and audiology and pharmacy. The MHT has been consulted by the Mental Health Commission of Canada (MHCC) on stigma as well as on its draft framework for a national mental health strategy and by the Public Health Agency of Canada on health promotion. The MHT is planning to work with the MHCC on a survey of health care providers around issues related to stigma.

Mental Health Commission of Canada (MHCC): CPA was invited to several stakeholder consultations by the MHCC on stigma and its development of a framework for a national mental health strategy. Reports on these activities have been reported in 2008 and 2009 in Psynopsis and our response to the MHCC strategy consultation is posted on the CPA website. CPA also responded to the MHCC and Institute of Health Economics consensus statement on depression.

Practice Directorate: As has also been reported in Psynopsis, CPA has partnered with CPAP in launch a Practice Directorate within which to develop, manage and coordinate advocacy for the practice of psychology across Canada and its jurisdictions. Like the Science Directorate the Practice Directorate intends both an advocacy and policy function: to promote the practice of psychology in Canada as well as to use the knowledge and expertise of the science and practice of psychology to contribute to the development of health and social policy in Canada.

First launch activities of the Directorate will be developed by its Council and might include

- Advocacy papers for use with decision and policy makers about evidence-based practice in mental health and the role of psychological determinants in health and illness
- Development of coordinated advocacy strategies around access to psychological service
- Surveys of jurisdictions to create repositories of information on common practice concerns such as scope of practice and regulated activities for psychologists and use of psychological testing
- Leadership forum

Other Practice Consultations, Representation and Partnerships not otherwise reported:

Disability Tax: 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.

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 to establish an advocacy agenda for the group around access to service and is working collaboratively to develop common datasets among provider groups to collect information about Canada's health human resource.

Health Action Lobby (HEAL): CPA continues to participate in this large group of health care providers and organizations. Recent meetings of HEAL have focused on the Agreement of Internal Trade and its implementation for the purposes of professional mobility as well as on Canada's health human resource



Canadian Alliance of Mental Alliance and Mental Health (CAMIMH): CPA continues as a member of this alliance of provider and consumer groups in mental health and Dr. Cohen has recently been asked to sit on its steering committee. This table of providers and consumers is very important to the development of stakeholder consensus and understanding on models and delivery of mental health care.

American Psychological Association: CPA has asked to convene a meeting among the senior leadership of APA and CPA when APA meets in Toronto in August. The plan is to discuss common issues of interest to science and practice.

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB): CPA attended the April 2009 meeting of the ASPPB and presented on the Committee on Ethics draft guidelines for the delivery of e-therapy.

TRAINING

Accreditation: The Accreditation Panel is undertaking a revision of its Standards and Procedures. The current draft revision will be presented at the 2009 convention followed by an on-line public consultation.

CPA has invited representatives from the offices of accreditation and education at APA to meet in Toronto in August 2009 to discuss the development of a mutual recognition agreement on accreditation between CPA and APA. APA has accepted this invitation to meet.

An invitation has also been extended to the Association of Psychology and Post-Doctoral and Internship Centres to meet to discuss their further engagement in promoting CPA accreditation. Hopefully an August meeting in Toronto will also be arranged.

Finally, CPA has been participating in the planning of a 2010 international conference on credentialing and mobility.

Federal healthcare partnership: CPA met with the partnership at their invitation to discuss recruitment and retention of psychologists across several federal departments inclusive of Corrections Canada, Veteran's Affairs, Department of National Defence and the Public Service Commission. Discussion revolved around ways in which the federal government might participate in the research and applied training activities undertaken by graduate students in psychology as a way of contributing to training the resource it wants to recruit and retain.

Karen Cohen, Executive Director



Associate Executive Director's Report

National Psychosocial Preparedness Advisory Consortium (NPPAC): Through John Service and then Karen Cohen, CPA has a long history of active membership on a number of national emergency response files (inclusive of the NPPAC forerunner, the Inter-Agency Psychosocial Emergency Response Working Group). I have taken on the responsibility of representing CPA on its emergency preparedness files.

CPA recently became the secretariat for the NPPAC which meets every other month and is focused on psychosocial response during an emergency. With the recent spread of H1N1, the group is developing a document for health care leaders and management that highlighted strategies to support health care staff. To complement this document, CPA prepared a document for the public that highlighted issues related to coping with the H1N1 flu virus and pandemics. The latter document was posted on CPA's website. As part of this group, CPA plans to write a paper on interpreting the literature on how to attend to people experiencing psychological distress in a crisis.

CPA Emergency Preparedness Survey of Psychologists and Associations: CPA continues to be engaged with the Public Health Agency of Canada in its emergency preparedness activities. In 2008, CPA created two emergency preparedness surveys which we were able to launch in April 2009. One was directed towards the provincial/territorial associations to find out about their role in organizing and facilitating psychological emergency response. The second survey was directed to practitioners. The goal of the surveys is to find out who is doing what, what if any training needs there are to provide this kind of service, and to see if there is a need or role for the associations in organizing or facilitating service. The survey was launched via the following: CPA news, CCDP, ACPRO and CPAP. Preliminary results from the survey will be presented at the Convention.

Consortium of Canadian Public Health Associations for the 21st Century (CCPH21): As AED of CPA, I have also taken over representation of CPA on CCPH21. The group recently met in a face-to-face meeting in April. One key objective for the group includes writing a document that looks at the state of public health responding since SARS. CPA plans to write a document that looks at the inclusion of mental health in public health practice/responding since SARS.

CPA Science Activities Survey: As a discipline, the CPA would like to know what else it can be doing to support the science underlying psychological research, education and practice. To find out what the members of the Psychology community would like to see CPA do more of or do differently in support of the science of psychology, CPA developed a brief survey. The survey was launched in May and circulated via CPA news and the CCDP. The survey will be open until July 1st.

Canadian Consortium for Research (CCR): I have taken over CPA's representation on the Steering Committee for the CCR. Recently the CCR drafted a briefing note on the importance of funding for basic research and set up a series of meetings for late-April and early-May with several politicians to discuss the briefing note. Of note, CCR continues to deliberate over how best to label research, specifically using the terms 'basic' versus 'inquiry-driven' versus 'applied'. Other CCR agendas and activities have been brought to the attention of the membership via the CCR column which had become a regular feature of Psynopsis in 2008 and which I will continue going forward.



Canadian Association of School Health: CPA continues to be a member of this Association, which is comprised of associations interested in promoting health in the schools. I will attend the Health, Learning and Social Development Settings for All Conference held in Hull, QC from May 19-22, 2009.

PREVNet: CPA continues to be a PREVNet partner. PREVNet is a national network of Canadian researchers, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and governments committed to stop bullying. I plan to attend the 4th National Conference held in Toronto, June 4-5, 2009.

Granting Councils: Senior-level representatives from each of the three national councils agreed to participate in a symposium at this year's convention to address the membership about support for psychological research, directions and initiatives related to psychological research, gaps and opportunities, etc. An invitation to attend this important symposium was sent to the membership from the Scientific Affairs Committee and CCDP via CPA news and the CCDP list-serv.

In follow-up to meetings convened between CPA senior officers and SSHRC in 2008, in April of this year, I, along with Catherine Lee, met with representatives from SSHRC to discuss issues related to SSHRC's future funding of psychological research and its current funding rules for students in combined programs. With respect to the former, SSHRC will work with CIHR to ensure that psychological research submissions are transferred accordingly between the councils. With respect to the latter, for the fall 2009 cycle, SSHRC will be allowing students in combined MA-PhD programs to apply for MA funding in their first year. This latter and terrific development was instituted by SSHRC in response to the concerns CPA brought to them when we met in 2008.

CPA will be setting up a meeting with representatives from CIHR's Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addictions to discuss funding for psychological research within and across the various institutes.

In follow-up to an earlier CPA initiative, CPA also plans to write a letter to each of the granting councils (and in the case of CIHR, each of the institutes) highlighting the applicability of psychological research to their respective mandates.

Science Directorate: I will be the CPA Senior Staff responsible for operationalizing the Science Directorate. I will have regular contact with the Chair of the Scientific Affairs Committee re: CPA's research/science activities, and attend the Committee teleconferences to provide updates on CPA's science activities. In addition to some of the science-specific activities noted above, we have plans to:

- draft a paper that discusses the role of psychology in research and psychologists as scientists/researchers, to highlight the application of psychological research to Canadians;
- draft a letter to the University Deans, highlighting current issues related to psychological research (for example, increased push for graduate students, but no concurrent increase in faculty, increased cuts to psychology departments, issues related to retiring faculty, different funding distribution of three councils); and
- explore links between the Scientific Affairs Committee and the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT).

Lisa Votta-Bleeker, Associate Executive Director



Committee Reports

Administration

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COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS, RULES AND PROCEDURES

The members of the Committee for 2008-2009 were Chair, Thomas Hadjistavropoulos (Past-President) and Karen R. Cohen (Executive Director).

The proposed By-Law amendments to be presented to the June, 2009 Annual General Meeting are: By-Law X.2 - Elections - Voting by email, two amendments in By-Law IV – Directors, and By-Law VIII - Committees

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Chair.

COMMITTEE ON FELLOWS AND AWARDS

The members of the Committee for 2008-2009 were Past-President Thomas Hadjistavropoulos (Chair), Paul Gendreau, Maryse Lassonde, Beth Mitchell, Del Paulhus, Janet Stoppard, Yvette Thériault

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

Simon Grondin, Ph.D.
Laurence R. Harris, Ph.D.
Wendy L. Josephson, Ph.D.
Joel Katz, Ph.D.
Thomas Teo, Ph.D.

The following CPA members and non-members were nominated by the Committee and approved by the Board of Directors for the 2009 CPA Awards:

- CPA Gold Medal Award for distinguished lifetime contributions to Canadian Psychology:
Robert O. Pihl, Ph.D.



- CPA Donald Hebb Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology as a Science: **Charles Morin**, Ph.D.
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology: **Meredith M. Kimball**, Ph.D.
- CPA Humanitarian Award: **André Picard**, Reporter for the Globe and Mail
- CPA Distinguished Practitioner Award: **Terry D. Pezzot-Pearce**, Ph.D
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology: **Robert Hare**, Ph.D
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology as a Profession: **Ian G. Manion**, Ph.D.
- CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Public or Community Service: **Adam S. Radomsky**, Ph.D.

This year the committee was re-constituted as per the requirements of bylaw changes that were adopted during the last year's AGM. Since the new bylaw specifies that the committee will consist of 7 (instead of 8) members, the CPA Board modified (through an email vote) the previous requirement of "6 out of 8 committee votes" necessary for a nominee's election to the status of fellow to "5 out of 7 votes".

Over the last year, the committee discussed a variety of issues relating to award policies and procedures. The committee was asked, for example, about their views on the idea of restricting CPA Awards (other than the Humanitarian Award) to CPA members. Most committee members were supportive of the idea although a couple of members noted (as a disadvantage of such action) that this could limit the pool of candidates. Since those discussions took place, the CPA Board approved the policy that, effective in 2009-2010, all CPA awards (except the CPA Humanitarian Award) will be restricted to CPA members.

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Chair

2009 President's New Researcher Award Recipients:

The members of the President's New Researcher Awards Review Committee for 2008-2009 were Catherine Lee, CPA President and Committee Chair, Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Past President, Martin Antony, Present-elect, and David Dozois, Chair of Scientific Affairs Committee.

The following CPA members were recommended by the Committee of Directors for the 2009 President's New Researcher Awards:

Andrew G. Ryder, Ph.D.
Simon B. Sherry, Ph.D.
Brett D. Thombs, Ph.D.

Catherine Lee, President



ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Members of the Committee for 2008-2009 were Karen R. Cohen (Chair), Juanita Mureika and Thomas Hadjistavropoulos.

The following members were elected by acclamation:

- President-elect: Peter Graf, Ph.D., University of British Columbia;
- Director-at-large reserved for a Francophone: Jean Paul Boudreau, Ph.D., Ryerson University;
- Director-at-large reserved for a scientist working within the NSERC mandate: Aimée Surprenant, Ph.D., Memorial University of Newfoundland (appointed by the Board of director for the 2009-2010 term).

Karen R. Cohen, Chair

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The members of the committee were Thomas Hadjistavropoulos (Chair), Janel Gauthier, Jim Neufeld and Laurie Sykes-Tottenham (Sub-Committee on At-Large Board Seats), David Nussbaum, Nick Skinner and Jennifer Veitch (Sub-Committee on Designated Board Seats).

This year, nominations were required for President-Elect, one Director at-large reserved for a Francophone.

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 CPA News.

In accordance with By-Law IX, the Sub-committee on At-large Board Seats, the Sub-committee on Designated Board Seats and the Nominating Committee sitting as a Committee of the Whole reviewed nominees and confirmed that the 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 Nominating Committee expresses its congratulations to those who will join the Board.

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, 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 2008 Convention to discuss various issues of interest to the Association.

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Chair



Membership

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Members: Peter Bieling, Christine Chambers, H el ene Deacon, David Dozois (Chair), Amanda Lints (Student Representative), Kelly Smith (Student Representative on the CPA Board), Martin Provencher, Bill Whelton

In addition to the meeting at the 2008 annual convention, the Membership Committee held one teleconference and corresponded by email. The committee is working on a number of initiatives which include:

Campus Student and Faculty Representatives. Students are enthusiastic to serve as campus representatives for CPA. At present, there are approximately 67 campus student representatives. We have also been working to increase the number of faculty representatives (to date, there are 34). We have recently developed a 'job description' for the faculty representatives so that their roles are more clearly defined.

Testimonials. We are working on soliciting testimonials from members and student affiliates on "why you are a member/student affiliate of CPA". We hope to post these testimonials on the web and to develop recruitment advertisements to be posted in psychology departments across the country. Separate testimonials and recruitment posters will also be developed to target French speaking universities.

Communication to the Membership. The committee has been looking at ways in which communication to the membership could be more engaging and enticing. With the recent hire of Linda McPhee (Director of Communications and Stakeholder Relations), these communications (e.g., CPA news) now have a new look. We are also reviewing the CPA website to identify gaps and make recommendations for improvement.

Member Benefits. The Membership Committee has discussed what membership benefits might be available to the general public, consistent with our mandate of *advancing psychology for all*, and what benefits should be restricted to members.

Membership Data

The Table below shows the membership numbers for December 31, 2008 with the 2007 numbers presented for comparison purposes. These data suggest that our membership continues to grow, with an increase of 211 members over our previous record numbers. Given that francophone members represent only 8% of the total membership, we need to do more to attract and retain these individuals to CPA.



	December 2008 Closing Statistics	December 2007 Closing Statistics
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	6524	6313
Membership by Category		
CPA Member	4115	4045
CPA Fellow	201	205
Honourary Life Member/Fellow	236	235
Student	1812	1703
International Affiliate	31	27
International Student Affiliate	13	7
Retired Fellow	10	8
Retired Member	41	42
Special Affiliate	65	41
Demographic Information		
Male	2447	2297
Female	4077	4016
Primary Language English	5985	5765
Primary Language French	539	548
Journal/Newspaper Distribution		
CP	4676	5969
CJBS	3696	4535
CJEP	548	769
Psynopsis	5953	6055

David J. A. Dozois, Chair



COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Sections
 Committee on Public Policy
 Committee on International Relations

COMMITTEE ON SECTIONS

The Committee on Sections launched the past year with an afternoon meeting of Chairs with Peter Graf and Peter Bieling, co-chairs of the Convention Committee, focused on the Sections' role in the Convention, potential for different sorts of scheduling of presentations. As well, Nigel Flear gave a presentation on the revised website and list serve options that will be available to Sections during the 2008-09 year. 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.

One new Section has been created since June 2008. The **Section on Extremism and Terrorism** was approved by the Board at the February 2009 meeting.

As Sections move to include student members on their executives and revise by-laws to allow for electronic voting, CPA Head office continues to review the Operations Manual to ensure that it is keeping pace with these changes. Petitions have been received for Section by-law update approvals from the **Environmental Psychology Section** and by-laws were approved for the **Section on Substance Abuse and Dependence**, newly formed last year.

Section Chairs have used the CPA listserv as an active communication tool during the past year. Most recently, CPA Head Office offered Section Chairs a template for their annual report as well as for their financial statements, which are expected to be posted on their webpages.

Section Chairs will meet in the afternoon on June 10 in Montreal, and will again have the opportunity for an evening dialogue with the Board.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Board Liaison to the Sections this year.

Juanita Mureika, Chair

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY

Members: Karen Cohen ; Elizabeth Church; Wendy Josephson, Catherine Lee, Juanita Mureika; Linda McMullen; Sandra Pyke; Lisa Serbin.

At the convention meeting in Halifax in June 2008, the public policy committee established two priorities for 2008-2009, namely responding to the call from the Department of Justice on amendments to the Youth Criminal Justice Act (YCJA), and preparing a statement on bullying. At the June 14th CPA board meeting it was decided that the CPA President would serve as liaison to the board.

Juanita Mureika championed the YCJA initiative and with the input of three members with spe-



cial expertise in the area (Katherine Covell, Alan Leschied, Stephen Wormith,), a response to the proposed amendments to the YCJA was submitted to the Department of Justice by the August deadline. The committee posted its response via CPA news and on the website <http://www.cpa.ca/cpsite/userfiles/Documents/Youth%20Criminal%20Justice%20Act0808.pdf>. In addition, articles on the response were published in *Psynopsis* and in the section newsletter, *Crime Scene*.

The Committee developed and approved (via email) a set of draft guidelines for the preparation and vetting of policy statements. These were subsequently modified by Dr. Karen Cohen based on feedback from the Board. The revised guidelines were reviewed and unanimously approved by the Committee and returned to the CPA Board which provided final approval. The new guidelines are posted at: <http://www.cpa.ca/aboutcpa/policystatements/>.

Members of a sub-group of public policy committee continue to work on a statement on bullying.

Catherine M. Lee, Chair

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The International Relations Committee (IRC) for 2008-2009 consisted of Janel Gauthier (Chair), John Berry (Secretary), John Adair, Ozge Akcali, Gira Bhatt, Anthony Dugbartey, Svetlana Gabidulina, Catherine Lee (CPA Board Representative), Gary Latham, Arnold Muller, Kimberly Noels, Pierre Ritchie, Michel Sabourin, Saba Sadfar, Sonia Singh, Peter Suedfeld, Randal Tonks and Marta Young.

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

A work plan for 2008-2009 was adopted by the Committee at its meeting in Halifax on June 14, 2008. I am pleased to report that most of the planned activities were realised. First, thanks to Gira Bhatt's effective co-ordination, a total of six articles were drafted under the auspices of the Committee and published in *Psynopsis* to inform CPA members about various international activities in psychology. Topics included the international congresses of psychology in Germany in July 2008, the adoption of the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists*, the memorandum of understanding between CPA and the Russian Psychological Society and between CPA and the Psychological Society of South Africa, the first Canadian Psychology Delegation to South Africa, and the experience of a Canadian psychologist who worked in a refugee camp in Africa. Contributors to the articles were (in alphabetical order): Nicole Aubé, John Berry, Janel Gauthier, Paul Hastings and Catherine Lee. Second, the Committee submitted jointly with the Committee on Ethics and the Canadian National Committee of the National Research Council for the International Union of Psychological Science a proposal for a symposium for the 2009 CPA convention. Entitled "Celebration of the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists*", the proposed symposium was accepted for presentation and will be chaired by Carole Sinclair, Chair of the Committee on Ethics. Presenters will include (in alphabetical order) John Berry, Janel Gauthier, Jean Pettifor and Michel Sabourin. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos will act as Discussant. Third, the Committee continued to work on the development of a new web page designed 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 the Committee's 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.

Other activities for 2008-2009 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 its publications, which include two journals (*Applied Psychology: An International Review* and *Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being*) and a newsletter (*IAAP Bulletin*) (see www.iaapsy.org for further details). The IAAP has only individual members. Canada is represented on the IAAP Board of Directors by (in alphabetical order) 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 met in Berlin on July 25 and 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 international congress will be staged as a satellite congress to the International Congress of Applied Psychology in Melbourne, Australia (2010).

InterAmerican Society of Psychology (ISP/SIP): The membership of SIP (the Spanish-language acronym) is made up of individual psychologists. The organisation 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 Organisations. 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 2008-2009 consisted of Janel Gauthier (Chair), John Berry (*ex-officio*, Secretary), Kenneth Craig (member-at-large – health science), Catherine Lee (CPA Board Representative), Franco Lepore (member-at-large – neuro/bio/behavioral science), Pierre Ritchie (*ex-officio*) and Michel Sabourin (*ex-officio*) 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 organisation 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 (CISET) 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 and invaluable support.

Another important activity has involved the nomination of Canadian invited speakers and symposia conveners for the International Congress of Psychology (ICP) in Cape Town, South Africa, July 22-27, 2012. These nominations were submitted to the 2012 ICP Organizing Committee for consideration. The list of nominations submitted to the Organizing Committee included all the nominations received following the call for nominations published in *Psynopsis* and forwarded to the International Relations Committee, the Scientific Affairs Committee, the CPA Board of Directors, and the Canadian Council of Departments of Psychology.

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 Kenneth Craig was re-elected for a second term to represent health science on the Committee for a term of three years (2008-2011). CPA Members/Fellows will be invited next fall to nominate for a member-at-large position on the CNC representing social science.

As Canadian Delegates to the IUPsyS General Assembly appointed by the CPA Board of Directors to represent Canada, John Berry and Janel Gauthier attended the 2008 General Assembly in Berlin on July 22 and 24, 2008, and submitted a report to the NRC. The General Assembly elected new Officers and new Members of the Executive Committee. Rainer Silbereisen (Germany) was elected President and Kan Zhang (China) was elected Vice-President. Michel Sabourin (Canada) was appointed Treasurer. Pierre Ritchie (Canada) was appointed Secretary-General for a half-term (2 years) to allow transition towards a new model of governance and the staggering of terms between Officers. As Chair of the Ad Hoc Joint Committee for the Development of a Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists, Janel Gauthier presented a progress report to the General Assembly and submit-



ted for adoption the third draft of the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists*, which was unanimously adopted. The next IUPsyS General Assembly will be held during the International Congress of Psychology in Melbourne, Australia, July 11-16, 2010.

John Berry and Janel Gauthier provided information about the International Congress of Psychology (ICP) held in Berlin on July 21-25, 2008 in an article published in the fall issue of *Psynopsis*. The 2008 ICP was the largest world psychology congress of all time, with more than 8,400 delegates. Canada was well represented at the Congress as invited contributions included 17 Canadian psychologists.

Janel Gauthier provided information about the adoption of the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists* in an article published in the fall issue of *Psynopsis*. To celebrate and highlight the adoption of the *Universal Declaration*, the CNC submitted a joint proposal for a symposium on the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists* for the 2009 CPA convention with the Committee on Ethics and the International Relations Committee. The proposed symposium was accepted for presentation. It will be chaired by Carole Sinclair, Chair of the Committee on Ethics.

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, Doug Mewhort, Incoming 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) and Peter Bieling (Chair)

During 2008-2009, the Publications committee continued the implementation of new processes related to the publication agreement with APA, selected a new Editor for CJEP, and formalized the structure and function of the Canadian Psychological Association Press.

Canadian Psychological Association Press

The Canadian Psychological Association Press/Les Presses de la Société Canadienne de Psychologie has now been formed and is accepting proposals mainly through the internet submissions at the following url: <http://www.cpa.ca/publications/canadianpsychologicalassociationpress/>

The CPA Press has also established a process for vetting and reviewing submissions in the form of a CPA Board subcommittee made up of the publications committee chair, the president-elect, a board member representing science, and the CPA executive director. 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.

CPA-APA Publication Agreement

The CPA/APA publication agreement has, for all but one journal, resulted in a new methodology for all “back office” functions. The final journal will become part of this process with its new incoming editor. For the most part, the transition to APA of the publication function has been completed with no major issues arising. Both the reach of the journals and revenues are on a positive trajectory which was a key reason for this agreement.

There was an outstanding issue with a publication ethics compliance form that reflected the APA code of ethics for our CPA journals, which was deemed to be less than desirable. Over this last year, this APA form was replaced with a CPA version of the form thanks to the input of the CPA Ethics Committee.

CJEP has changed its masthead to include the CSBBCS logo, reflecting the ongoing collaboration between CPA and CSBBCS. This change was accomplished with the assistance of Peter Graf, Simon Grondin, and APA.



CJEP Incoming Editor

The publications committee, in collaboration with CSBBCS, received a number of outstanding nominations for a new editor of CJEP. The committee is pleased to report that the new editor of CJEP is Doug Mewhort. Dr. Mewhort is a Professor at Queen's University whose work centres on human performance and computational models for perception and memory with an emphasis on decision and choice in speeded-performance tasks. Dr. Mewhort has a very strong record of scholarship and research funding and will be a tremendous asset to CJEP. The committee would also like to thank the outgoing editor, Dr. Simon Grondin, for his outstanding contributions to the journal and to the work of the publications committee.

Finally, the publications committee is undertaking significant strategic planning in the coming year to examine issues including access to articles through "open" archiving and translation to other languages in partnership with other national bodies (e.g., The Russian Psychological Society), consideration of the need and feasibility for creating another journal, and planning for inaugural CPA Press projects.

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. With the implementation of the Journals Back Office (JBO) system resulting from the agreement with APA, we no longer have an editorial assistant.

Manuscripts. A total of 103 new manuscripts (62 English and 41 French) were received in 2008. In addition, there were 10 resubmissions/revisions from the previous year that were handled by the Editor (8) and Associate Editor (2). Of these, 36 of the manuscripts were accepted for publication, 41 were rejected, and the remaining manuscripts are in various stages of review.

Production for 2008. A total of 4 journal issues (Volume 40) were published in 2008. The volume was 244 pages long and consisted of 26 articles. The difference in the number of pages despite the same number of articles published as the previous year reflects a change in the page set up in accordance with other APA journals.

Timelines. For manuscripts received in 2008, the average lag time between receipt and editorial decision was 66 days. This reflects a significant decrease in lag times since the implementation of the JBO system.

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

Summary. Overall, journal operations went well this past year. On 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 has gone 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 2009 will be to reduce the average time to a first editorial decision to approximately 60 days. 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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In 2008 we experienced the beginning of a closer collaboration with the APA's publishing board, which is now responsible for publishing the journal. The system that APA has put in place where manuscripts are prepared in their finalized format quickly following approval is very effective. Jessica Karp's work with the APA makes the editor's work much easier.

During the year we also saw the start of the transition to the new editorial team. Professor Doug Mewhort from Queens University will be the next Editor (2010-2013). Due to the (not clearly defined) respective roles of the Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (CSBBCS) and the Canadian Psychology Association (CPA), his appointment was somewhat delayed. In the near future the CPA's publishing committee and the Executive Committee of the SCSCCC need to establish an operating mode that follows the appointment of the Editor.

During 2008, the *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology* received 80 manuscripts (if we include the two that were received – and a third one is expected – early this year as part of the *Canadian Laboratories* series and the one related to the 2008 *D.O. Hebb* award). This rate of submissions is slightly higher than in 2007. The month of July had the highest number received at 11, and August had the fewest with 2. All manuscripts were submitted electronically.

Of the 80 manuscripts, 16 were written in French, but six of them were rejected without peer review. Also, 34 manuscripts (including 5 in French) were from Canada, and 12 (including two in English) were received from France. The other manuscripts came from 16 other countries, including 7 from the United States. Steeve Joordens was asked to review 16 manuscripts, and Peter Graf reviewed 17.

Also in 2008, 17 regular articles were published in the journal, 8 short reports, 3 articles for the *Canadian Laboratories* series, one article as part of the *Donald O. Hebb* award, as well as the abstracts from the 2008 SCSCCC annual convention.

Finally, I don't expect that all the manuscripts accepted by our Editorial Board will be published in the 2009 journal if we keep to the current space that has been planned. At least four manuscripts will be published in 2010 (some others are also being revised).

Thanks. I would like to thank the associate editors, Peter Graf and Steve Joordens for their dedication and remarkable work for CJEP. As well, I would like to thank Raymond Léveillé for his valued collaboration, as well as the numerous consultants and members of the Editorial Board for their help in reviewing the manuscripts.

Simon Grondin, Editor



CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGY

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2008 Issues:

In 2008 the journal published two special issues (literacy development, self-determination theory) and one special section (environmental psychology). This year 39 articles (including French versions of the President's address and the Honorary President's address) and 28 book reviews were published in the journal. Of the articles, 15% were published in French; of the book reviews, 14% were published in French.

Manuscripts:

During 2008, a total of 83 manuscripts were received and processed. Of these, 61 (72%) were in English and 22 (27%) were in French. Of the English manuscripts, 53 (78%) had first authors from within Canada; among the French manuscripts, 13 (59%) had first authors from within Canada.

Of the total of 83 manuscripts, 13 (16%) were rejected as inappropriate by the editors (primarily manuscripts that did not fall within the mandate of the journal), 17 (20%) were rejected after editorial review, and 53 (64%) were recommended for revision or were conditionally accepted (this included the award addresses from the 2008 CPA convention). Finally, 42 (51%) were eventually accepted for publication.

The mean period between submission of a manuscript (including revised manuscripts) and informing authors of the editorial decision was 34 days. The review process was relatively long (i.e., 3-5 months) for some manuscripts because of challenges in obtaining reviews, due to the specialized content and/or the language of the manuscript.

John Hunsley, Editor



EDUCATION

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ACCREDITATION PANEL

The members of the CPA Accreditation Panel in 2008 – 2009 were:

- Dr. Peter Henderson, Dept. of Psychology, The Ottawa Hospital (Chair of the Panel)
- Dr. Patrick Baillie, Psychology, Peter Lougheed Centre, Calgary General Hospital
- Dr. Marc-André Bouchard, Département de psychologie, Université de Montréal
- Dr. Anthony Dugbartey, Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission, U. of Victoria
- Dr. Gaëtan Losier, École de psychologie, Université de Moncton
- Dr. Mary Ann Mountain, Community Mental Health Services, St. Joseph's Care Group, Lakehead Psychiatric Hospital
- Ms. Anna Tirovolas (Student Member), School/Applied Child Psychology
- Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology, McGill University
- Dr. Laurene Wilson, Department of Clinical Health Psychology, Royal University Hospital

At the Fall 2008 meeting, the Panel was ably assisted by Dr. Angelo Caputo, Registrar. Dr. Caputo who resigned from his position in December 2008 and was replaced by Dr. Daniel Lavoie in January 2009. Dr. Lavoie attended the Spring 2009 meeting. Both meetings were ably assisted by Ms. Ann Marie Plante, Accreditation Assistant.

At its fall 2008 meeting, the Panel was pleased to grant re-accreditation to five Doctoral Programmes in Clinical Psychology (University of Windsor, University of Guelph, York University, Simon Fraser University, Université de Montréal), one Doctoral Programme in Clinical Neuropsychology (Université de Montréal), and two Doctoral Internship Programmes in Clinical Psychology (Concordia University and Alberta Children's Hospital). The Concordia University Psychology Internship Programme (CUPIP) is the first CPA accredited internship in Quebec.

At its spring 2009 meeting, the Panel was pleased to grant accreditation to the Doctoral Programme in School and Clinical Psychology at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE)/University of Toronto, to the Pre-doctoral Internship in Clinical Psychology in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, to the Baycrest Predoctoral Internship in Clinical Neuropsychology, and to the London Clinical Psychology Internship Consortium. The Panel was also pleased to grant re-accreditation to The Clinical Psychology PhD Program at University of Regina.

As of April 28, 2009 the number of programmes by category accredited by CPA is as follows:

	Doctoral Programmes	Internship Programmes
Clinical Psychology	24	25
Clinical School Psychology	1	0
Counselling Psychology	4	3
School Psychology	0	0
Clinical Neuropsychology	1	3
TOTAL	28	31



The revision of the CPA Accreditation Standards and Procedures are ongoing. Drs. Karen Cohen, Peter Henderson and Angelo Caputo have graciously undertaken the revision. The Accreditation Panel participated in the process of revision during its Spring 2009 meeting. The draft revision of the Accreditation Standards and Procedures manual will be discussed at the Montreal Convention in June 2009. A Conversation Session designed specifically to present highlights of the revised standards and consult and gather feedback from the training community has been scheduled. After the Convention, we expect to post the draft revision on the CPA website for feedback by members. We are hoping to have the Manual completed by the conclusion of the 2009-10 academic year and available in both official languages.

A site visitor training workshop is planned for the CPA Convention in Montreal (June, 2009). Accreditation will also be conducting its customary Conversation Session.

We have experienced some difficulties recently in providing sufficient site visitors for programmes to assemble a site visit team. This is especially the case for francophone programmes in Quebec due to language restrictions and conflicts of interest. The Panel continues to invite interested CPA members across Canada to serve as a site visitor for the Accreditation Panel. 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 Montreal, we are planning a French workshop in Montreal in the next academic year 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 2009-2010 academic year.

Peter Henderson, Chair

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Members: Christine T. Chambers, CPA Sections on Health Psychology and Clinical Psychology; William E. Smythe, CPA Section on History & Philosophy of Psychology; Kelly B. Smith, CPA Students in Psychology Section; Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, CPA Past President; Robert Vallerand, CPA Section on Social & Personality Psychology and on Sport & Exercise Psychology; Kathy Lachapelle-Petrin, CPA Convention Manager; Juanita Mureika, CPA Director responsible for sections; and Peter Graf, Chair.

The convention committee focused its efforts on ensuring the success of the 2009 convention, and all indicators including early registration numbers point in this direction. We received a large number of submissions for paper and poster presentations. The convention will feature 799 posters, 62 symposia, 48 theory reviews, 37 conversation sessions, 33 workshops as well as 9 national and international invited speakers. In addition, we have scheduled 9 pre-convention workshops, an appetizing social event, a silent auction, a presidential reception and symposium and a charity fun run ... something for everyone.

In a nod to the environment, to the digital age, and to saving costs, we decided against printing the 2009 convention program. Instead, the entire program and other valuable and useful information are provided on an attractive USB stick which can be searched and annotated. To prepare for the convention and create an optimal meeting schedule ahead of time, convention participants are able to preview the program available on CPA's web. In an effort to encourage convention participation by more senior scientists and practitioners, we will use a distinct badge-marking to honour CPA fellows.



Following on the smashing success of their social event last year, the student section will hold a social event that reaches out to franco-phone students.

In another effort to reach out to franco-phone CPA members, psychologists and students, the convention includes an invited address by the eminent Dr. Richard Bourhis that will be delivered entirely in French. In addition, the slides for at least two of the plenary keynote addresses will be shown in both French and English, and at the poster sessions, posters with presenters who are able to communicate in both official languages will be clearly identified.

Another major initiative of the convention committee was to reduce the number of concurrent sessions and thereby to boost attendance levels at other presentations. In a leap toward this goal, we have changed the manner in which conversation sessions are offered in 2009. In a large ballroom equipped with many large round tables, we have scheduled a different conversation session for each table. We hope that this innovation will encourage conversation and make these sessions distinct from paper sessions. Clearly, this manner of arranging conversation sessions will substantially reduce the number of concurrent sessions without significant cuts to the program hours that are allocated to any of the sections.

To track the impact of the above listed innovations and to solicit input on other possible innovations, the convention committee will conduct a survey at the 2009 convention and collect comprehensive data on session attendance.

Future conventions have been scheduled as follows: 2010 Winnipeg (June 3-5); 2011 Toronto (June 2-4); 2012 Halifax (June 14-16). We are in the midst of inviting keynote speakers for the Winnipeg convention, and delighted that one of them, Dr. Robert Sternberg of Tufts University, already has accepted our invitation.

In closing, my sincere thanks to the members of the Convention Committee for their sustained commitment to making our Convention the best event it can be, to the CPA staff who manage creative problem solving even under pressure, and to the CPA sections and to all who submitted their work for the Montreal convention.

Peter Graf, Chair

EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE

CE applications continue to be reviewed by Dr. Daniel Lavoie, CPA Accreditation Panel Registrar. Applications that fall outside of the CE Standards are forwarded to the Education and Training Committee for further review. Currently, there are 13 CE sponsors of ongoing programs in good standing (compared to 15 in 2007-2008). Over the past year, 9 individual workshop/programs were approved (compared to 6 in 2007-2008).

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.

A number of provincial jurisdictions (e.g., British Columbia, Manitoba) currently require psychologists to engage in CE activities, and several others (e.g., Alberta, Ontario, Québec), are in the process of introducing formal CE requirements. With these changes, CPA's CE Program is likely to play an increasing role in the coming years.

Education and Training Committee Chair for 2009-2010



Dr. Peter Bieling (St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton and McMaster University) will assume the role of Chair for the Education and Training Committee at the June CPA meeting.

Martin M. Antony, Chair

TASK FORCE ON SUPPLY OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

Members of the task force were: *Stéphane Beaulieu: Ordre des psychologues du Québec; Jean-Paul Boudreau: Ryerson University; Elizabeth Church: St. Mary's University, Co-Chair; Karen Cohen, CPA ex officio; Arla Day: St. Mary's University; Olga Heath: Memorial University; Kevin Kelloway: St. Mary's University; Catherine Lee: University of Ottawa, Co-chair; Bob McIlwraith: University of Manitoba.*

The task force met once in person at the June 2008 CPA Convention and via teleconference throughout the year. Materials were posted on a web portal. Members of the task force have been in touch with ACPRO, CAUT, CCDP, CPA accreditation panel and the APA Center for Workforce studies. A research assistant supervised by Arla Day and Elizabeth Church has been hired to compile summaries of the reports on the portal. An article on the work of the task force was published in the Spring 2009 *Psynopsis*.

It is clear from our analyses that there is no single database to which we can refer in order to have a clear sense of the supply of psychologists. Regulatory bodies are a potential source of some data, but do not include data on psychologists who are not licensed healthcare professionals. Similarly, initiatives by healthcare bodies such as HEAL have the potential to provide important information on licensed psychologists, but do not address the issue for university-based psychologists and non-licensed applied psychologists.

In the coming months, the task force will be working on identifying the types of data that could be included in the survey that is used to build the annual graduate guide, as well as questions that could be gathered in accreditation annual reports. The long-term goal is to develop a proposal that will be submitted to CPA on a strategy to obtain funding for data collection that would allow analysis of future needs for Canadian psychologists in diverse roles

Catherine Lee, Co-Chair

Elizabeth Church, Co-Chair



ETHICS, LAWS AND STANDARDS

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Members: Janel Gauthier, Peter Graf (Board Liaison), 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 for information regarding ethical issues, the *Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists*, or CPA guidelines from nine different individuals and organizations.
- Consultations to seven CPA members regarding ethical dilemmas they were experiencing.
- Preparation of a formal response to the Tri-Council request for consultation /feedback regarding the draft second edition of the *Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans* (TCPS2).
- Completion, by a CoE sub-committee, of "Ethical Guidelines for Supervision in Psychology: Teaching, Research, Practice and Administration," which was adopted by the CPA Board of Directors at its February 2009 meeting. Members of the sub-committee were Jean Pettifor (Chair), Michelle McCarron, Greg Schoepp, Cannie Stark, and Don Stewart. A supplementary educational resource is currently being prepared.
- Continued work on draft code interpretations and/or guidelines regarding: (i) online counseling/therapy; (ii) psychological practice in the context of end-of-life decisions and care; and (iii) use of academic titles/designations in the provision of psychological services.
- Consideration of three ethics complaints concerning CPA Members.
- Continued work on the ethics page for the CPA website.
- Continued provision, in partnership with Captus Press, of the web-based CPA course "Being an Ethical Psychologist," which offers 15 CE credits. To date, ninety-seven individuals have taken this course.
- Continued provision of presentation and workshops, both inside and outside Canada, by members of the Committee on such topics as the *Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists*, and related guidelines.
- Planning an "Ethics Update" symposium for the 2009 Convention in Montreal, as well as a special symposium to celebrate the *Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists*.

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 Lorne Sexton (Chair), Ian R. Nicholson (Past-Chair), Tavis Campbell (Chair, Health Psychology Section), Ester Cole, Jennifer Frain (CPAP Chair), Mark Lau (Clinical Section), Judi L Malone, (Rural & Northern Section), Mark Olver (Criminal Justice Section), and Kelly Smith (Students Section).

The Professional Affairs Chair continues to represent CPA with the Council of Professional Associations of Psychologists (CPAP). Meetings with the CPAP Executive Committee have evolved some exciting forward looking proposals for a CPA Practice Directorate. A proposal for a Practice Directorate was drafted in October 2008 by Jennifer Frain (CPAP Chair), Pierre Berube (Alberta Psychological Association), CPA Executive Director Karen Cohen, and the CPA Professional Affairs Chair. The proposals have subsequently been reviewed by the CPA Board of Directors and each of the provincial and territorial associations. The CPA Board of Directors has further evolved this concept by the proposed creation of parallel directorates: a Science Directorate and a Practice Directorate.

The mandate of a CPA Practice Directorate is predicated upon a shared vision to meet the advocacy needs of the practice of psychology across Canada's jurisdictions. The guiding Council of the Directorate is to be constituted by the members of CPAP. This Council will insure that the CPA Practice Directorate is guided and linked to the interprovincial needs across the country, and will act to further inter-jurisdictional collaboration. The Council will formally report to the CPA Board through the Professional Affairs Chair.

The future role and terms of reference for the Professional Affairs Committee may need to evolve as the Practice Directorate becomes operative. A review of the terms of reference for this committee will be undertaken in 2009-10.

The Professional Affairs Committee reviewed and supported a proposal from the Section of Clinical Neuropsychology for a policy restricting third party involved observers from observing and participating in neuropsychological or similar assessments. This policy was approved by the CPA Board of Directors in February 2009 and reads as follows:

It is not permissible for involved third parties to be physically or electronically present during the course of neuropsychological or similar psychological evaluations of a patient or plaintiff.

Considerable work by many psychologists went into the formulation and careful wording of this policy. Particular credit goes to J. Braxton Suffield, Ph.D.; Stewart Longman, Ph.D., and Grant L. Iverson, Ph.D.

CPA has undertaken the revision and updating of the fact sheets for the "Psychology Works" of the CPA web site. Much work has been done, in particular by various fact sheet authors, by the Clinical Section which initiated this review, and by Linda McPhee, CPA Director of Communications and Stakeholder Relations. All CPA Sections were asked to comment on the fact sheet drafts. Fact sheet drafts were posted for review, and many constructive comments were received from individual psychologists. These fact sheets are used by many members of the public as well as professionals, and represent a significant ongoing contribution to knowledge translation in our fields of practice.

The CPA Ambassador Program outreach visits by Board members to psychology practitioners and scientists included contact with various hospital-based psychology departments. This has



led to a concern about the administrative structures that hospital psychologists work within. Joyce D'Eon has arranged a Convention discussion, and there will be consideration of a national working group to further collaborative efforts in this important area of practice.

The Professional Affairs Chair also represented CPA, with Karen Cohen, at the AGM of CRHSPP. At this time, CRHSPP was asking to undergo a reorganization of its corporate structure such that in the future its governance structure would not explicitly be linked to other psychology organizations. CPA voted in favour of this requested restructuring.

Lorne Sexton, Chair



SCIENCE

COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS

Members: Ken Craig, David Dozois (Chair), Anna-Beth Doyle, Janel Gauthier, Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Jill Jacobson, Valerie Kuhlmeier, Wolfgang Linden, Clarisa Markel (Student Representative), Marian Morry, Morris Moscovitch, Valerie Thompson, and Keith Wilson

CPA has a strong commitment to science. For example, CPA currently sits on the Steering Committee of the Canadian Consortium of Research, is a member of the Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada, liaises with granting councils, and just completed 18-month participation as a member of the Experts Committee appointed to help Canada develop quality assurance recommendations for research ethics review in Canada.

A major event that occurred this year involved what some have called the “economic hurricane” which has also seriously affected research funding. Although the government introduced an economic stimulus package to support Canadians during the global recession and increase consumer confidence and spending, support for research funding was mediocre. Moreover, the Tri-council granting agencies have undergone strategic reviews and identified areas where operations could be “streamlined” to be more efficient. The upshot of all of this is that there will be a net loss to the base funding of CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC. Whereas the United States is dramatically increasing funding for basic research, CIHR, SSHRC and NSERC are being asked to cut their spending by \$148-million over the next three years. The “Don’t Leave Canada Behind Campaign”, highlighted in the April 2009 CPA Newsletter, was an initiative of the academic community calling for adequate funding for Canadian research.

The strategic reviews of CIHR, SSHRC and NSERC will also result in restructuring of grant selection committees and funding eligibility. For example, although SSHRC has, over the past 10 years or so, also funded health-related research they will no longer do so. Instead, all health-oriented research grants will be reviewed by CIHR. One danger is that research that falls into a grey zone may fall through the cracks and excellent basic psychological science may not get funded. The SSHRC committees responsible for psychology (i.e., 10 and 27) will also be restructured. Committee 27 currently involves grants focusing on, among other things, health, counseling and psychotherapy; this will cease to be the case. Scientific Affairs continues to monitor this development and has consulted with SSHRC.

The CPA Board made a firm commitment this year to the development of a Science Directorate to best meet the organization’s advocacy objectives for science. It is important to coordinate, organize and bolster the advocacy activities undertaken on behalf of the science of psychology at the national, provincial and territorial levels. Although much of the activity of CPA’s senior staff persons are already taken up in advocacy activity, the development of a resourced Science Directorate means that CPA’s Scientific Affairs Committee will be able to be more proactive and strategic in its advocacy objectives and have the operational support necessary for implementing and sustaining its activities. CPA recently hired Dr. Lisa Votta-Bleeker as its new Associate Executive Director. Dr. Votta-Bleeker has a Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology and will carry out the Science Directorate in collaboration with Scientific Affairs.

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

Section Executive:

Dana Bova (Chair), Nancy Cochrane, Georgina Constant, Terry Mitchell (Member at Large), Chris Mushquash (Student representative), Suzanne Stewart (Chair Elect)

Membership

Since its inception only two years ago, the APS membership has grown substantially from 62 to 545 members, including 225 student affiliates.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting)

The 2009 CPA convention in Montreal will be the first to showcase academic endeavors with a specific focus on the promotion of mental health and the discipline of psychology within the Aboriginal Community. Scheduled sessions organized by the APS are as follows:

- June 11: Aboriginal Psychology Section poster presentation (11:30-1:25)
- June 12: Presentation by Suzanne Stewart on “Promoting Indigenous mental health: Integrating traditional healing with Western psychological services” (10:00 AM - 10:25 AM)
- June 12: Keynote speaker Laurence Kirmayer will be presenting on “Rethinking culture in psychopathology and clinical practice” (2:30 PM - 3:25 PM). For this presentation, the Aboriginal Psychology Section worked in collaboration with the Clinical, Counseling, and International and Cross Culture Psychology Sections.

Past-Year Projects

The APS has established by-laws for the section. We have discussed creating Fact Sheets on the following topics: residential schools, land claims, health, education, and misconceptions about Aboriginal people. Additionally, we have discussed a project to increase the number of Aboriginal psychologists, similar to “Vision 2020” in the medical community, which was an initiative designed to increase the number of Aboriginal medical doctors by the year 2020.

Next Year Projects

In the upcoming year, the section intends to create a series of Fact Sheets highlighting issues associated with the aforementioned topics as well as to further develop the initiative to increase the number of Aboriginal psychologists in Canada.

Dana Bova, Chair

ADULT DEVELOPMENT AND AGING

Section Executive

Dr. Yves Turgeon (chair – resigned)
Dr. Odette Gould (Secretary/treasurer – interim chair)

Membership

There are presently 119 members, of which 7 are CPA fellows and honorary life members, 65 care CPA members, and 3 are CPA special affiliates and 44 are student affiliates.



Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The section meeting is scheduled for 8 am on June 12, 2009. O.Gould has agreed to chair the meeting in order to elect a new chair for the section. The section has accepted approximately 20 abstract submissions for the 2009 meeting in Montreal. Abstracts were reviewed by Drs. Paul Bourque from l'Universite de Moncton, and Mr. Anthony Kupferschmidt, Simon Fraser University.

Past-Year Projects

The Adult Development and Aging section has co-sponsored, along with the Clinical Section, an Invited Speaker presentation by Dr. Philippe Cappeliez at CPA in Montreal.

Next-Year Projects

The section has been somewhat inactive, due in part to Dr. Turgeon's resignation as chair. It is hoped that a new chair will be elected in June 2009, and that the section will be reinvigorated to begin new projects. All members are invited to attend the section meeting, and contact the new Executive Committee with suggestions for improving the section's vitality.

Odette Gould, Secretary/Treasurer

BRAIN AND BEHAVIOUR

Section Executive: Dr. R. St.John

Membership: Approximately 70 total members as of April 1 2009.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The section has a poster session with about a dozen posters presented in 2009 at the annual CPA convention: Date is June 11, 3:30 pm.

The section business meeting is scheduled at the meeting on June 13, 5:00 pm.

Past-Year Projects

The chair of the section is Dr. R. St. John, who currently also serves as Secretary/Treasurer of the section for 2009. The section currently has approximately 50 non-student and 20 student members, indicating a slow but steady revival from the low numbers from past years. A dozen abstracts were submitted to the section for review for the 2009 conference. This continuing low number likely reflects a somewhat limited interest in using the CPA conference as a major way of disseminating new research in the field of Brain and Behaviour in Canada. It is hoped that continued co-operation and dialogue between CPA and the Canadian Society for Brain Behaviour and Cognitive Science will encourage cross attendance at the meetings. This may encourage interest in the Brain & Behaviour section of CPA by members of the experimental psychology academic community. The section continues to strongly support the Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology, encourages members to submit research and papers to this publication and for presentation at the annual conference. The section also supports representation from other Brain and Behaviour organisations within the umbrella organisation of CPA.

Next-Year Projects

The membership numbers are expected to remain fairly stable for the next few years. The section plans to sponsor a symposium, and/or an invited speaker at the 2010 meeting. The continuing possibility of merging Brain and Behaviour with other sections, resulting in the establishment of a single large section encompassing "Experimental Psychology" within the CPA, is on the agenda for the Brain and Behaviour section business meeting at the 2009 convention. It is hoped that this may be approved this year by the membership, and by CPA.



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Robert St.John, Chair

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

The 2008-2009 Executive Committee consisted of Deb Dobson (Past-Chair), John Pearce (Chair), Mark Lau (Chair-Elect), Patricia Furer (Secretary-Treasurer), Andrew Ryder (Member-at-Large), and Melissa Kehler (Student Representative). We are especially pleased to report that seven student affiliates now are standing for election as the Section's next Student Representative. The Executive met in person during the 2008 convention, held a full-day meeting in Calgary in January 2009, and held teleconferences in the fall and spring as well as e-mail and telephone contact.

Membership

As of May 1, 2009, the Section had a membership of 1047, including 387 student affiliates. This represents a growth of 85 over last year.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The Clinical Section has collaborated successfully with other CPA sections to co-sponsor a number of exciting presentations for the 2009 convention:

- Pre-convention workshop: *Development of Aggressive Behaviour from Early Childhood to Adulthood* presented by Dr. Richard Tremblay, University of Montreal and five of his colleagues. Co-sponsored with the Developmental Psychology and Psychologists in Education Sections.
- CPA Invited Speaker: *Depression in Older Adults: Assessment and Intervention* presented by Dr. Philippe Cappeliez, University of Ottawa. Co-sponsored with the Section on Adult Development and Aging. He will be presenting a free public lecture entitled *Les réminiscences... à quoi bon? Leur rôle dans le fonctionnement psychologique des personnes âgées*.
- CPA Invited Speaker: *Rethinking Culture in Psychopathology and Clinical Practice* presented by Dr. Laurence Kirmayer, a Montreal psychiatrist. Co-sponsored with the Sections of Aboriginal Psychology, International and Cross Cultural Psychology, and Counselling Psychology.
- Dr. Kerry Mothersill will represent the Clinical Section in a session entitled *Preparing for your Predoctoral Internship* along with representatives of the Students in Psychology Section and CCPPP.

We had approximately 160 conference submissions this year, the majority of which were poster submissions.

The Clinical Section's Annual Business meeting will be held on Thursday, June 11, 8:00-8:55am.

Awards

The deadline for submissions for the 2009 Ken Bowers Award for Student Research is May 1 and the winner will be presented with the award at the ABM. The Student Travel Awards Applications will be peer-reviewed during the convention and winners will be announced shortly



thereafter. We instituted a new award this year, the Clinical Student Grant, and are pleased to announce that Ms. Jillian Filliter from Dalhousie University is this year's winner for her proposal for a workshop on diversity issues. In recognition of his significant contributions to Canadian clinical psychology, the Section will award Fellow status to Dr. David Dozois at the ABM.

Communications

Editions of the Section's newsletter, *Canadian Clinical Psychologist*, were published in October 2008 and April 2009 under the skillful editorship of Dr. Jessey Bernstein and Dr. Margo Watt. We have received very positive feedback about the newsletter. Our member-at-large continues to maintain the Section's website which is functioning smoothly at present. Like other sections, we have transitioned to the new listserv format where there has been modest traffic.

Advocacy

We continue to pursue advocacy and the promotion of evidence-based practice through a variety of projects:

- The Section's Fact Sheets have undergone review and we have offered suggestions to CPA head office regarding the new revision process.
- Dr. Kerry Mothersill represents the Section on the CPA Task Force on Prescription Privileges and two meetings have been held to date. We look forward to the Task Force's findings and recommendations.
- In 1998 the Clinical Section sponsored the development of *Empirically Supported Treatment Task Force Recommendations*. Given the significant developments in the field in the last decade, we asked Dr. John Hunsley to prepare an update. *Follow Up on the CPA Section on Clinical Psychology Empirically Supported Treatment Task Force (1998) Recommendations (draft)* is now on the Section's website and included in the newsletter's latest edition. We have solicited feedback from the membership. The Section extends its appreciation to Dr. Hunsley and to the other members of the 1998 task force: Drs. Keith Dobson, Charlotte Johnston, and Sam Mikail.
- Last year we had anticipated that the Section would play a role in a survey sponsored by the Mental Health Commission of Canada examining the extent of stigmatizing attitudes to mental illness among mental health professionals. While we remain optimistic that we may play a role in this project, the MHCC's development of this project has not been as timely as we had expected and we have had no active involvement to date.

We are conducting a survey of the Section's membership to gather updated demographic data and suggestions about how the Section should allocate \$5000 for new projects. Results will be presented at the Section's ABM.

Next-Year Projects

We plan to pursue the following projects in 2009-2010:

- Awards: Proposals to increase the values of the 2009-2010 Ken Bowers and Student Travel Awards will be presented at the 2009 ABM as well as a revised selection system for the Travel Award; a proposal for an Early Career Scientist-Practitioner Award to be presented at the ABM for implementation in 2009-2010.
- Preparation and approval of the final version of *Follow Up re Empirically-Supported Treatment Task Force*.
- Review findings and recommendations from the CPA Task Force on Prescription Privileges and develop response.
- Review the Section's involvement in the MHCC's proposed survey on stigmatization
- Present proposal at ABM for the allocation of monies for new projects and implement approved recommendations in 2009-2010.

Continue to monitor closely the listserv's and website's operations and publish two editions of the newsletter.

John Pearce, Chair



COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY

The Community Psychology Section continued to provide support for community based participatory research over the past year. The Dr. Patrick O'Neill student presentation award was launched at the Annual Convention in 2008 with the first winner being Jennifer Hopton. The Section financially supported the fourth biennial Québec-Ontario conference on community psychology. We have also co-sponsored an invited speaker for the CPA 2009 convention. We continue to use email distribution and the website to keep members up-to-date on opportunities for funding, conferences and other events. Membership in the section remained steady at 124 members, including 32 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 will be actively recruiting for new executive members in 2009 including a student representative position.

Cyndi Brannen, Chair

COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

The 2008-2008 Executive Committee consisted of Sharon Cairns (Chair), Vivian Lalande (Past Chair), Shelly Russell-Mayhew (Secretary-Treasurer), Patrice Keats (Member at Large - Review Coordinator), Colleen Haney (Member at Large - Student Awards), and Reana Saraceni (Student Representative). Our Web Master is José Domene, and our Newsletter Editors are Michael Huston and Olga Sutherland.

Membership

As of May 1, 2009, the Section had a membership of 378, including 185 student affiliates. This number represents a growth of 78 (26%) over last year.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The Counselling Psychology program at the 2009 conference in Montreal will include a Section Keynote Speaker, Dr. Nancy Heath (McGill), who is speaking on *Non-suicidal Self Injury: The Challenge for Counsellors*. Along with the International & Cross Cultural and Clinical Sections, we co-nominated the CPA Invited Speaker, Dr. Lawrence Kimayer, who will be speaking on *Rethinking Culture in Psychopathology and Clinical Practice*. Our Section Business Meeting will be on Thursday June 11, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. and we will be hosting a reception on Friday June 12 at 4:30 p.m. We are excited to have a full conference program including six symposia, five theory reviews, one workshop, several conversation sessions, and numerous posters.

Awards

In Halifax, Dr. Lee Handy was recognized for his outstanding career in counselling psychology with the Distinguished Member Award. The 2008 winner of the Master's Thesis Award was Becky Stewart from Trinity Western for her work on *Attachment and Women's Coping with Sexual Assault*. In addition four students were given awards for high quality posters: Olga Oulanova (OISE), Natalie Hansen (University of British Columbia), Reana Saraceni (University of Calgary), and Marianna Terrett (University of British Columbia).

Past-Year Projects

The major section project has been the Executive Committee for a Canadian Definition of Counselling Psychology. The committee members included Robinder Bedi (co-chair), Beth Haverkamp (co-chair), Romeo Beatch, Douglas Cave, José Domene, Greg Harris, and Anne



Marie Miklail. This committee presented a Symposium in Halifax followed by a conversation session. Background information and a draft definition were posted on the counselling Section website. Following broad consultation and invited feedback, the committee has now completed a draft definition, which will be put forward to the membership for a vote at our AGM in Montreal.

Next-Year Projects

The section plans to establish a by-laws review committee to look at up-dating the section by-laws. We also hope to re-form the accreditation committee once the definition of counselling psychology has been approved. This committee was formed in the past given current accreditation standards are designed to meet the needs of clinical psychologists, not counselling psychologists. However, this committee was disbanded due to the need to clearly define the field of counselling psychology as a first step.

Sharon Cairns, Chair

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Section Executive

The 2008/2009 Executive is Jean Folsom (Chair), Jeremy Mills (Past Chair), Karl Hanson (Secretary/Treasurer), Tanya Rugge (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 as of April 30, 2009, is 374.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The Criminal Justice Section will be active throughout the convention with symposiums, workshops, theory reviews and a poster session. We are sponsoring a popular pre-convention workshop on deception detection by Stephen Porter and Leanne ten Brinke. Dr. Robert Hare is our section sponsored CPA Invited Speaker this year and his address on psychopathy, behavioural genetics, neuroscience and culpability will undoubtedly generate some debate about psychopathy and criminal behaviour.

Our section's Keynote Speaker is Dr. Jim Bonta who will be sharing what he has learned over the course of his career about what works in criminal justice psychology. Dr. Bonta is also this year's recipient of our *Career Contribution Award*. Our *Significant Contribution Award* will be going to Joanna Pozzulo, Craig Bennell and Adelle Forth for their book *Forensic Psychology*. There will also be an award for the best student poster.

On Thursday evening a banquet will be held at a local restaurant in order to provide an opportunity for members to meet and mingle and toast the accomplishments of the section.

Our section Business Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June, 13, from 8:00 - 8:55 in the Richelieu Room.

Past-Year Projects

In 2007 the section hosted a North American Correctional and Criminal Justice Psychology Conference (NACCJPC) in Ottawa in conjunction with CPA's annual convention. It was very well



received and there has been much discussion on repeating it. During the past year the section has established a Steering Committee and allocated funds for another such Conference to be held in Toronto in conjunction with CPA's 2011 annual convention.

During the past year, the Mental Health and the Law Committee of the Mental Health Commission of Canada drafted a response on the issue of the inclusion of information on mental health police apprehensions in the release of information on police record checks. Their position is that such information should not be included on police record checks and the Criminal Justice Section, jointly with the Board of Directors of CPA, strongly endorsed it.

The section has continued to publish its semi-annual newsletter, *Crime Scene*. Members of the Executive contribute regular columns while others provide thought-provoking and/or research articles for our special features section. The newsletter is broadly distributed and frequently requested from people outside of the section.

The section's website is regularly maintained and each new *Crime Scene* added to its Publications section. A new addition to the website this year is an area for members to conduct on-line research. In the near future, a section devoted to the upcoming NACCJPC will be launched in order to keep members up-to-date on the conference.

The Police Psychology special interest group continues to serve as a medium for encouraging growth and communication among psychologists who work with police services. This is accomplished largely through an active email list of over 100 people and an annual forum. They have also provided input into some specific aspects the Police Sector Council and the Mental Health Commission of Canada's work.

Next-Year Projects

Our main focus for the next two years will be on hosting another North American Correctional and Criminal Justice Psychology Conference in Toronto in conjunction with CPA's 2011 annual convention.

Jean Folsom, Chair

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

Executive

The developmental section executive needs more volunteers. This year the executive consisted of the coordinator/treasurer/review coordinator, Jennifer Sullivan (St. Francis Xavier), Elizabeth Levin (Laurentian), Christine Ellsworth (IWK, Halifax), and Ingrid Braun (OISE) volunteered to work on the section newsletter. Jeff Bisanz (Albert) continues to manage the DPNet listserve for Developmental Psychology. There were 17 member volunteers who reviewed abstracts for the 2009 convention.

Membership

The developmental section has a very large membership. The section had 262 members in 2008, 160 fellows and members and 102 student affiliates.

Student Award

The co-winners of the 2008 Elinor Ames award for best student presentation Annie Drouin of University of Ottawa for her poster presentation entitled "Evaluation of an emerging sign language in the Dominican Republic as created by children: A comparative study" and Celina



Thompson of Dalhousie university for her poster presentation entitled “Stree or stris: How children distinguish scripts with the same alphabet.”

Convention Program

The section nominated Lisa Serbin to be a CPA keynote speaker at the convention and CPA accepted this nomination. Dr. Serbin will speak on “Unpacking the effects of poverty on children’s health and development: A longitudinal approach to the transfer of risk from parent to child.” The section will have another invited speaker also. Diane Poulin-Dubois will be the section keynote speaker discussing “Breaking through mindblindness: Infants’ implicit understanding of the human mind.”

There were 91 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. There are presentations in all categories including discussions, symposia, theory reviews, poster presentations, and workshops. The Developmental Section is also co-sponsoring a pre-convention workshop this year. A workshop on “Development and prevention of aggressive behaviour from early childhood to adulthood” is being co-sponsored by the Clinical, Psychologists in Education, and Developmental Sections.

There will be a Developmental Section business meeting at the CPA conference on Friday, June 12th, 2009 at 8 am. I hope that all will attend and we can renew our executive for this coming year and fill open positions on the executive.

Next Year Project

The CPA convention is being held in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 2010. We are planning to hold a pre-convention for Canadian Developmental Psychology in Winnipeg before the convention. It has been 10 years since the last Waterloo Developmental Conference. There are many Canadian Developmental researchers who are interested in having biennial meetings in conjunction with CPA.

Jennifer Sullivan, Coordinator

HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

Christopher Peet (Chair), Angelina Baydala (Past-Chair), John Connors (Chair-Elect), Laura Ball and Marissa Barnes (Secretary-Treasurers), Ersin Asliturk and Jennifer Bazar (Program Co-Chairs). Section Archivist: Fran Cherry.

Membership

Currently, we have a total of 89 members, 35 of whom are students.

Annual Convention

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Henderikus Stam, recipient of the 2008 CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology, will be the CPA/Section Invited Speaker at the 2009 annual convention. His talk is entitled: “The Self and Its Divarication: Dialogue, Narrative and Embodiment”.



In addition, we are pleased to announce, as representative of the interdisciplinary interests of the Section, that Dr. Allan Young, Professor at the Department of Social Studies of Medicine at McGill University, will be the Section Keynote Speaker at the 2009 annual convention. His talk is entitled: "The Evolution of Empathic Cruelty and its place in the Social Brain and Human Nature".

Section programming for the 2009 convention will include theoretical and historical symposia, paper and conversation sessions in the subject areas such as: Integration of Applied & Basic Psychology, Historical and Theoretical Methods, Qualitative Interviews, Biographies, as well as Ethics Update.

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 2008, this distinction was awarded to Laura Ball, for her paper "Working with Genius".

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 since 2008 by means of a mailing list hosted by the University of Alberta. There are plans to have in the near future 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.

Christopher Peet, Chair

INTERNATIONAL & CROSS CULTURAL PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

Chair: Randal Tonks, Chair Elect: Andrew Ryder, Secretary/Treasurer: Valery Chirkov, Programme Coordinator/Reviewer: Dr. Gira Bhatt (acting), Past-Chair: Saba Safdar, Student Representative: Jessica Dere, Newsletter Committee: Saba Safdar, James Creswell, Section, Webmaster: Randal Tonks

Membership

Our current membership includes 449 members representing:

- 1- CPA Honourary Life Fellow 1- CPA Honourary Life Member 9- CPA Fellows,
- 78- CPA Members, 1- CPA International Affiliate 349 Student Affiliates,
- 2- CPA International Student Affiliates, 2- CPA Retired Members,
- 3- CPA Special Affiliates, 3- CPA/APA Joint Members

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). Our program for Convention includes: Dr. Laurence J. Kirmayer as CPA Invited Speaker. Along with a poster session, and three theory review sessions. We also will be holding three symposia (one of these is student symposium) and two joint symposia with History and Philosophy on Community Action Research. These sessions should also be of interest to community, SWAP, counseling and clinical sections.

Our Section Business meeting is on Saturday June 13th 8:00-8:55 in Duluth where we expect to announce the winners of the John W Berry and Frances E About awards for best student paper and poster presentations.



Past-Year Projects

No significant project were undertaken this year, however many of our members also serve on the International Relations Committee and have been active in promoting international psychology. We continue to have a section website and listserve (soon to become Section News).

Next-Year Projects

We anticipate continued advancement of international and cross-cultural issues in research practice and organisation of psychology.

Randal G. Tonks, Chair

PSYCHOANALYTIC AND PSYCHODYNAMIC

Section Executive

Paul Jerry, Chair
 Jon Mills, Past Chair
 Michael MacGregor, Treasurer
 Roger Frie, Secretary
 Michelle Presniak, Student Representative
 Wendy Wood, Member at Large

Membership

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Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). Section business meeting: Thursday June 11, 2009, 8:00 am, Room: CHAUDIÈRE

This year we have a small but very interesting Program planned. The Section's contributions lean heavily on generating evidence supporting psychodynamic treatment and clearly highlight the diversity and creativity of researchers and clinicians across Canada.

This year's Otto Weininger Ward recipient is Dr. Polly Young-Eisendrath, a noted a psychologist and Jungian psychoanalyst practicing in Burlington, Vermont where she is also Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Vermont Medical College. Her web space is: <http://young-eisendrath.com/about-polly.php> The title of her Otto Weininger Address is: Beyond a Hermeneutic of Suspicion: A New Pedagogy for Psychoanalysis in the Twenty-first Century.

Past-Year Projects

This has been a transition year for the Section. The founder and 3-term Chair Dr. Mills, stepped down, with Dr. Paul Jerry taking the helm.

Several issues challenged the Section, including difficulty with the list-serv. CPA has been looking at alternatives to, or ways of phasing out the list-serv, but for our Section at least, this was the one guaranteed way that we were able to communicate with members. Unfortunately, due to changes in the list-serv last Summer, we did not realize that our Section's main means of communication was not properly functioning until late Fall. This caused an unfortunate non-communication of the CPA call for presentations for Convention 2009 – normally we send out a reminder to our members, but this reminder didn't get communicated. As a result, we had fewer submissions to review for Montreal, and some of our regular contributors missed the deadline. We also did not produce a Newsletter this year (as the former Editor moved into the Chair role...) and our regular reports from Convention in Halifax, through to articles of interest to members like announcements of workshops and Division 39's annual Spring Conference weren't sent out.



On the up side, Halifax was a great success. Dr. Bruce Fink, a noted Lacanian, gave the Otto Weininger Address. We had a good showing of student, clinician and researcher presentations. The Goethe Award for Psychoanalytic Scholarship went to Francois Ansermet and Pierre Magistretti's *Biology of Freedom: Neural Placticity, Experience, and the Unconscious*, translated by Susan Fairfield and published by Other Press LLC, New York, New York (ISBN-13: 978-1-59051-222-7).

I also want to mention Dr. Trevor Olson, a strong supporter of our Section and researcher in defense mechanisms. He took on the task of responding to, critiquing, and adding evidence to the CPA Fact Sheets. Several of these came due for an update, and Dr. Olson took on the task of ensuring that psychodynamic treatment research evidence was included in them where appropriate.

Next-Year Projects

The focus for the next year is twofold. The first is on continued communications with members. The Newsletter needs a revival and someone to take it on as a labour of love. There are many psychoanalytic/dynamic events, trainings, workshops, and research being done in Canada, and we need to be able to pass this information on in a timely manner.

Second, while it might seem premature, I want the current/new Executive to begin careful consideration of the leadership of this Section. Ideally, we would develop a flow of interested and enthusiastic members through the various positions on the Executive, who could plan for their 2 year role as Chair, and really take the Section to new heights. I look at the parallel organization south of the border, Division 39 of the APA, and think that while we may be a very small shadow of that group, we can still develop a vision of how we want to represent, stimulate, and showcase psychoanalytic thought in Canadian psychology.

Dr. Paul Jerry, Chair

PSYCHOLOGY IN THE MILITARY

The Psychology in the Military section is comprised of academics and military practitioners, as well as psychologists who serve in the defence and security sector, either as uniformed officers or as civilians. The focus that unites the section is an interest in the role of psychology in military affairs.

As one of the smaller sections in CPA, activities of the section typically focus on providing information to the psychology community and other interested parties on developments in the area of military psychology. For example, we have section members conducting research on topics like organizational culture, trust, leadership, ethics, and operational stress. Over the past year, members of the section have worked with students, psychologists, scholars from other fields, and military specialists in Canada and abroad to promote greater awareness of the role of psychology in the military domain.

Current committee members include Dr. Peter Bradley (chair), Dr. Allister MacIntyre (past-chair), Dr. Danielle Charbonneau (secretary) and Captain Julie Bélanger (treasurer). All four members are faculty of the Military Psychology and Leadership Department at the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston, Ontario.

Peter Bradley, Chair



PSYCHOLOGISTS IN EDUCATION

Section Executive

Joseph Snyder, Chair
 Donald Saklofske, Chair-Elect
 Juanita Mureika, Past Chair
 William McKee, Secretary-Treasurer
 Joseph Snyder, Review Coordinator
 Yvonne Martinez, Student Representative
 Gina Harrison, Member at Large
 Joseph Snyder, Listserv Moderator

Membership

This year's membership stands at 357, 87 are student affiliates. In addition we have approximately 100 Associate members – CASP members who are not full members of CPA.

Annual Convention Activities (including date and time of section business meeting). Our keynote speaker will be Bruce Shore of McGill University. Topic title is "*Giftedness is Not What it Used to Be, School is Not What it Used to Be, Their Future, and Why Psychologists in Education Should Care.*" This will occur on Thursday afternoon, June 11th, reception to follow. Our SBM will be held on Friday, June 12th at 8 am in conjunction with the CASP AGM! And we are a co-sponsor with CASP of the following symposium/conversation session/workshop: "*The Canadian Journal of School Psychology: Introductions; Past, Present, and Future Directions.*" We are a co-sponsor of pre-convention workshop #1: "*Development and Prevention of Aggressive Behaviour from Early Childhood to Adulthood*" given by Richard E. Tremblay et al. and also a co-nominator with the Teaching of Psychology and Student Sections of a CPA/Section Invited Speaker, Jane Halonen, on "*Building Psychological Thinkers from Day One.*"

Past-Year Projects

Revivification of the *Newsletter* is in process.

Next-Year Projects

We will continue to expand and improve communication among those psychologists involved with education and schools, practice and training. And, of course, we will continue to develop a more inclusive single Canada-wide organization to voice and meet their needs.

Joseph Snyder, Chair

ENVIRONMENTAL

Section Executive

The section executive for 2008-2009-2005 was composed of Jennifer A. Veitch (Chair), Frederick M. Grouzet (Past-Chair), Mark L. Sandilands (Treasurer), Loraine Lavallee is Newsletter Editor. Dr. Grouzet is our interim Webmaster and hosts the section web site at the University of Victoria. Dr. Veitch is also Chair-Elect (serving as Chair again in 2009-2010).

Section Membership and Dues

We currently have 63 members (51 Non-Students, 12 Students). Dues will increase in 2010 from \$5 to \$15 for Members and Fellows, remaining at \$5 for Student Affiliates.



Convention Program

The 2009 program is the largest that we have had in many years. Its highlight will be the CPA Invited Speaker address of Dr. Paul Stern of the US National Research Council, on “Contributions of Psychology to Meeting the Challenges of Climate Change”, which is paired with the Section Keynote address by Ms Louise Davey of The Climate Project — Canada: “Climate Change: The Issues, the Solutions and the Role You (Can?) Play in Them”. In addition there are two symposia and several posters being presented.

By-Law Amendments

In early 2009 the Section voted by mail ballot to make two changes to the section By-Laws. The term of the Chair will increase to two years from one, beginning with the term starting in June 2010. The By-Laws also now permit the use of electronic voting between business meetings.

Newsletter

The Section published one newsletter, in December 2008. The newsletter featured a review of the BC Carbon Tax and its possible effects on behaviour, announcements of upcoming conferences, abstracts of recent presentations and publications, and information about the activities planned for the 2009 convention. Other regular communications and interaction between members took place on the section electronic mail list server.

Jennifer A. Veitch, Chair

SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY ISSUES

Section Executive

The Executive of SOGII consisted of Kevin Alderson (University of Calgary) as Chair, Karen Blair (Queen’s University) as Secretary, Kevin Alderson (University of Calgary) as Treasurer, Karen Blair (Queen’s University) as Website Coordinator, and Daragh McDermott (National University of Ireland Galway) as Listserv Coordinator.

Membership

The membership of SOGII is comprised of all members of CPA who have also paid the SOGII section nominal fee.

Annual Convention Activities (include date and time of section business meeting). The SOGII Annual General Meeting was held in conjunction with the CPA conference in Halifax on Friday, June 13, 2008 between 1:30 and 3:00 pm. All poster and paper abstracts were sent to Todd Morrison (University of Saskatchewan), Review Coordinator, who then had anonymous reviewers appraise each submission. Following this selection, students who were successful in having their presentations/posters accepted were then sent a Student Paper and Poster Award Application by Kevin Alderson, Chair. Following the deadline for application, these applications were then sent to two external and anonymous reviewers.

Jennifer Moore received the \$50.00 SOGII 2008 Student Poster Award for her contribution entitled, *Banned from serving: The affect of anti-homosexual laws on Canadian military women*. Krista Trinder received the \$100.00 SOGII 2008 Student Paper Award for her contribution entitled, *Predicting Homonegative Behaviour: A Cognitive or Affective Enterprise?* The SOGII 2009 Student Paper and Poster Award Application was emailed to qualified applicants on April 2, 2009 with a return deadline of May 1, 2009.



Past-Year Projects

It was decided at the 2008 Annual General Meeting that a fact sheet regarding gender dysphoria and a position statement regarding gender identity would be prepared, and once ready, it would be recommended to the CPA Board for further discussion and possible approval. During the past few months, the listserv for SOGII was suspended due to unforeseen circumstances that required an extensive review of its function and role. The listserv remains nonfunctional at this time.

Next-Year Projects

The return of the SOGII listserv will allow members to once again communicate readily within the section. One of the projects for the new executive will be to look at how to best spend the budget, which has been steadily growing due to limited expenditures to date. The new fact sheet and position statement regarding gender issues will also progress through the proper channels to become officially recognized by CPA as well.

Kevin Alderson, Chair

SOCIAL AND PERSONALITY PSYCHOLOGY

The Social-Personality Section membership remains strong and a group of dedicated volunteers have helped to represent our members this past year. The Executive for 2008-09 was Sean Moore (Section Chair), Katherine Starzyk (Past-Chair), James Cameron (Treasurer), Susan Boon (Abstract Review Coordinator & Awards Coordinator), Anne Bergen (Student Representative), Johanna Peetz (Website Manager), John Ellard (Listserv Coordinator), Fuschia Sirois (Newsletter Editor-Faculty Coordinator), Aubrey Litvack (Newsletter Editor-Student Coordinator), and Aaron Kay (Preconference Organizer).

We've maintained a healthy Section interest, as indicated by our stable membership numbers. At last count, our section consisted of 225 members for the 2008-09 year. Of this total number, approximately half (100 or 44%) are student affiliates. These numbers suggest our core membership remains quite strong and that the Section will continue to grow in the future. Our Section finances also continue to be quite strong, with over \$6000 dollars in the bank. This money is used each year to organize the Section preconference, maintain the section website, and to provide recognition to our student awards winners.

As is our tradition, we will be holding a preconference at the CPA Convention in Montreal on June 10th, 2009. Once again, we have an excellent line-up of speakers this year, which includes: Jason Plaks (University of Toronto), Michael Wohl (Carleton University), Liz Dunn (University of British Columbia), Ursula Hess (Université du Québec à Montréal), and Mark Baldwin (McGill University). We will also be having a swap-and-talk poster session and a keynote address by Dr. Harry Reis from the University of Rochester.

Again, the Section is well-represented in the 2009 Convention program. There were 176 submissions to the Section for this year's Convention and 94% were accepted. There will be 127 poster presentations and 25 talks, many as part of symposia. While this represents an increase in overall programming, the Section Executive has enduring concerns about the disparity between the number of oral and poster presentations in the schedule.

Other Section Convention activities include a presentation by CPA Invited Speaker, Dr. Neal J. Roese, from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Roese is a world-recognized expert



on the topic of judgment and decision making and will be presenting a review of his work on the psychology of regret. We will also be holding our Section Business Meeting on Thursday June 11th from 8:00-8:55am. We will be using this time to present our student awards and discuss important planning issues for the Section.

In terms of ongoing activities, the Section continues to provide annual awards for the best undergraduate (Ken Dion Award) and graduate (Brendon Gail Rule Award) submission to the Convention. Plans are also underway for the 2010 preconference in Winnipeg. We also maintain a newsletter (Social-Personality Quarterly), a Section website (<http://www.cpassp.ca>), and a listserv. The website continues to be accessed frequently and we are currently in the process of creating a bilingual version of the site.

In all, it appears that the Section is quite healthy and continues to prosper.

Sean E. Moore, Chair

SPORT AND EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY

The Sport and Exercise Section includes members who are psychologists and psychology students working with athletes, coaches, parents, sports organizations, and/or other sport science professionals in clinical/counseling, research, and/or teaching/educational roles. We also have a number of sport science affiliates interested in this section. This past year has brought together the efforts of several individuals: Dr. Tricia Orzeck, Chair, Treasurer, Training & Practice Chair; Dr. Peter Crocker, Chair-Elect; Conference Committee Chair: Dr. Gerry Farthing, Past-Chair: Hannah Marchand, Secretary and the ongoing assistance in various activities by Dr. Jill Tracy and Dr. Stephane Perreaut.

We have worked together to develop our operations, including setting the policies and procedures for elections and awards, by-law revisions to include a more active role for our student representative, section logo development, and continued webpage improvements. We provided members with at least bi-annual updates/news statements. We were also able to develop additional conferences symposiums, conversation hours, and increase our poster presentations, in addition to assisting in the coordination of CPA's fun run held at the annual convention. There have been several nominations for board positions and an increase in interest in the operations and development of the section. This was the first year we charged fees since the section's reinstatement. We maintained the membership at over 100 members, one-third of which are students. Based on membership funds, we were able to provide a \$100 award to the top student abstract in addition to the certificate, offer a reception and other section activities at the conference, and build upon funds for future conference keynotes and invited speakers.

The training practice guidelines for sport psychology practitioners are still in development since the first presentation of this need by students and members at the 2006 conference. This year's 2009 conference will include sharing the first template of these guidelines. There have been ongoing efforts to collaborate with other interested groups and organizations and the continued need to increase the competency of students wishing to become psychologists with a specialty/practice in sport psychology and for those already practicing. We continue to educate the public and colleagues on this area to ensure ethical and competent practice.

After five long years rebuilding the section, it is my pleasure to leave the Chair position with a more stable foundation in which the future chair and board can work to enhance the quality, value, and initiatives of the section for our membership.

Tricia Orzeck, Chair



STUDENTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Section Executive

Kelly Smith (Chair/Student Representative on the CPA Board of Directors)
 Lindsay Uman (Past-Chair)
 Philip Johnson (Chair-Elect)
 Nicole Wilson (Campus Representative Coordinator)
 Pamela Seeds (Secretary-Treasurer)
 Margaret Hilton (Undergraduate Representative)
 Annie Drouin (Communications Officer).

Kelly Hayton has also provided invaluable support as our webpage and listserv manager.

Membership

The Section for Students has approximately 1500+ members. In addition, the Campus Representative program is being managed and updated regularly. Currently, we have graduate and/or undergraduate Campus Representatives at 67 institutions and Faculty Representatives at 34 institutions across the country. This number indicates an increase in both Campus and Faculty Representatives over the previous year.

Annual Convention Activities

Several sessions have been planned for the 2009 Convention, and include: Applying for Internship (with the Clinical Section); Teaching Strategies for Assistants and New Faculty (with the Teaching Section); Presenting Results and Writing for Publication, Posters, and Presentations; and Applying for Scholarships and Grants. In addition, the Section is co-sponsoring an invited speaker, Dr. Jane Halonen, with the Section for Teaching and the Section for Education. The following section convention events have also been planned: Student Social (Thursday, June 11/09); Section Business Meeting (Friday, June 12/09, 8:00 am); and Campus Representatives receptions (Friday, June 12/09, 4:30 pm).

Section Initiatives and Updates

- The Section continues to solicit and receive student submissions for *Psynopsis*.
- There have been ongoing problems with our listserv that has resulted in some section members not receiving postings. We have been in communication with CPA head office about this issue, and CPA is currently in the process of developing and implementing a new communications system for sections and members.
- Using CPA News, we posted the call for the following positions for the 2009-2010 Student Section Executive: Chair-Elect and Communications Officer. These positions were filled by acclamation.
- The Section has actively attempted to be bilingual in our correspondence with members. We now send emails from the Section Executive to the membership in both French and English. Our Communications Officer, Annie Drouin, has been invaluable in helping us do so.
- The Section is in the process of translating our website materials to both French and English.
- The Section is part of the Canadian Inter-professional Student Network (CISN), a group of student representatives from the various national health and human services student associations. This group was formed to allow interaction between student organizations and promote inter-professional education across Canada. In March 2009, I attended the Annual Convention of the National Health Sciences Students' Association in Kingston, Ontario, where the CISN held a meeting. To date, the CISN has created an interdisciplinary booklet that describes the various health professions and associations; this booklet is available to distribute to students as a way to highlight interdisciplinary education.



If you have any questions about the material contained in this report, please do not hesitate to contact me, kelly.smith@queensu.ca.

Kelly Smith, Chair

TEACHING OF PSYCHOLOGY

Matters dealt with at the annual Section Business Meeting (SBM) in Halifax on June 12, 2008 were: (a) adoption of the Minutes of the 2007 SBM; (b) acceptance of the Treasurer's Report, which projected a balance of approximately \$2650 by the end of the 2008-2009 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 2009.

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.

Also, plans to invite a psychology teacher and author of international stature to speak at CPA Montreal in 2009 have been successful (as noted in (1) below).

CPA Montreal will feature six teaching-related sessions (over and above poster presentations). (1) Internationally acclaimed teacher/scholar Jane Halonen (University of West Florida) — recipient of numerous teaching awards, including the American Psychological Foundation Distinguished Teaching Award — will offer an interactive CPA/Section-invited address titled "Raising Psychological Critical Thinkers from Day One" (Friday, June 12, 2:30 p.m.). (2) Our Section and the Section on Students in Psychology will again jointly sponsor an effective teaching strategies workshop (Saturday, June 13, 12:00 p.m.); immediately following (Saturday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.), Genevieve Johnson (Grant MacEwan College) will present a teaching workshop on "YouTube and Google Images as Psychology Teaching Resources: Power Point for Internet Scavengers." (3) On Friday, June 12 at 3:30 p.m., Brenda Fitzner (Red Deer College) will offer a third workshop: "Teaching Tips for the College Classroom." (4) Poster Session C (Friday, June 12, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. will address more than a dozen teaching-related topics, including the role of personality and cognitive style in students' academic performance, academic integrity, the latest innovations in internet technology for teaching, and educating educators on the importance of initiating self-care strategies.

Section membership continues to be healthy, specifically, 90 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 teacher/scholar approximately every four years; invitees on this august list have included Phil Zimbardo, Margaret Matlin, Bill McKeachie, Ludy T. Benjamin, Jr., William Buskist, and (this year) Jane Halonen.

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; Tel: 519-433-3491 Ext. 4408; e-mail: nskinner@uwo.ca.

Nicholas F. Skinner, Chair



RURAL AND NORTHERN PSYCHOLOGY

Executive Committee:

Chair: Karen Dyck
Chair-Elect: Vacant
Secretary-Treasurer: Cindy Hardy
Student Representative: Vacant

Executive Committee Nominations:

Nominations are currently being accepted for the following positions: Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and the newly created Student Representative. Assuming quorum is met, voting will take place at the upcoming business meeting in Montreal.

Task force and Committee Representatives:

Professional Affairs Committee Representative: Judi Malone
Task Force on Prescriptive Authority Representative: JoAnn Leavey

North Star Student Award:

The North Star Student Award was established by the Rural and Northern Psychology Section in 2008 to recognize the student with the most meritorious submission to the Rural and Northern Section of the CPA annual convention. First and second place awards, respectively, were presented to Judi Malone from Athabasca University (Dilemmas, opportunities, and lessons to be learned: Exemplary professional practice in rural psychology) and Graham Trull from Lakehead University (Planting the seeds of change: Evaluation of the impacts of community gardens on well-being and connections to community and nature in first nations' youth) at the 2008 section business meeting in Halifax. The section is currently accepting applications for the 2009 North Star Award.

Membership News:

We currently have a total of 392 active members in our section. With 185 student affiliates, our student representation remains strong.

Listserv & Webpage:

Thanks to the continued volunteer efforts of Hope Yungblut and Laura Voichita-Ocolisan who keep our listserv running smoothly. Thanks to Melissa Tiessen for volunteering to keep our webpage updated and user friendly.

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. The Rural and Northern Psychology Section and the Community Psychology Section also submitted a joint nomination for an Invited Speaker for the upcoming 2009 convention. I am extremely pleased to announce that our joint nomination was accepted and that Dr. Michael Kral will be speaking at the 2009 convention. His presentation is entitled "From a Community's Point of View: Indigenizing Suicide Prevention." The annual business meeting will be held on Saturday June 13th from 12:30 to 1:25 pm in the Gatineau Theatre. The section continues to strive for a growing presence at the annual CPA conventions and is pleased with its progress in this regard.

Karen G. Dyck, Chair



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 for Correctional Services Canada. The purpose of the committee is to advise the Commissioner of Correctional Services Canada on policy and 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. Ms. Lucille Auffrey joined the committee as representative of the Canadian Nurses Association.

In the past year, the HCAC has met in Ottawa and the Pacific Region. A site visit of the Institutions was carried out in the Pacific Region with the focus of the meeting centered on recruitment and retention of health care staff as well as the preparation of the staff regarding the accreditation process. In the upcoming meeting the committee will focus specifically on psychological services. Any feedback or input is welcome.

Yvette L. Thériault, Chair

NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS ACTIVE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (NAACJ)

During the 2008-2009 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 followup activities and recommendations from the 'blue ribbon' panel, chaired by Robert Sampson, that was appointed to conduct a review of the operation and infrastructure of the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC). One of the controversial recommendations which the government is not yet committed to but has been debating was the elimination of statutory release. NAACJ members continue to discuss various plans and strategies to respond to the panel's report which was released in November, 2007.

A second major activity within the Correctional Service of Canada that has been of interest to and is being monitored by NAACJ is an initiative that has been dubbed the Transformation Agenda, which is headed by Morris Zbar who was brought into CSC to lead this initiative. NAACJ members continue to advocate for CSC to increase its focus on community corrections. Mental health issues, both in the community and institutions, remain another area of concern. These issues were the focus of CSC's consultation with NAACJ in March, 2009, as well as a presentation by Dr. Michael Bettman on CSC's plans for an Integrated Corrections Program Model to succeed the current plethora of national programs and an update on CSC's Anti-drug strategy.



This year's consultation meeting with the Department of Justice and Public Safety Canada, held in March, 2009, was entitled "Moving Forward with Aboriginal Justice: Challenges and Opportunities." One of the interesting observations to emerge from these deliberations is the sense that little has changed at the national level in terms of sentencing of aboriginal offenders since the Supreme Court decision in *Regina v. Gladue*. In spite of the creation of "Gladue Courts" in some provinces, anecdotal evidence suggests that the ethnic gap is only widening, particularly in provinces with larger proportions of aboriginals.

There was been no indication or any word from the Correctional Service of Canada about the Advisory Committee of Research having a meeting for 2009. These meetings were resurrected last year by Dr. Brian Grant, the Director-General, Research Services, CSC. This is an important forum as it allows corrections researchers both from various levels and departments of government and academics to review the research landscape and to address operational issues between government and academics terms of facilitating corrections-based research.

It is anticipated that details about these and other NAACJ items will be conveyed by the under-signed to the CPA membership at the annual business meeting of the Criminal Justice Psychology Section in Montreal in June, 2009.

J. Stephen Wormith, Chair

COUNCIL OF CANADIAN DEPARTMENTS OF PSYCHOLOGY (CCDP)

This report is submitted as part of the annual process for CCDP, to report on the major activities of the Executive Director and the Council for the 2008- 2009 year.

The activities of CCDP this year were similar in many ways to past years. Our website allows department heads and chairs to access information and past surveys, to facilitate the transition of new leaders in psychology departments. Our email Listserve has had several announcements and many position postings. Communication among departments continues to be facilitated by our Listserve

that has posted a variety of topics and discussions. This year, for example, a survey was conducted with respect to the operation of subject pools in Psychology departments in Canada. The web site was recently updated, to update its information. I would like to acknowledge Gordon Hayman, the CCDP website moderator; and Laurence Harris, our Listserve moderator.

The CCDP was asked in 2008 about the issue of problems with SSHRC fellowships. Following a meeting last year, among CPA, CCDP, and SSHRC, there have been further meetings. It appears that SSHRC is going to recognize the issue of combined Masters/doctoral degree programs, and change its funding model to not disadvantage students who attend such programs. Information about this policy shift will be released shortly. This shift represents a successful lobbying effort on the parts of CPA and CCDP.

CCDP names one representative to the Canadian Council for Animal Care (CCAC). I would like to thank Dr. Doug Crawford for his work in this regard. Dr. Crawford stepped down this year from this role, and CCDP has named Dr. Martin Pare from Queens University to assume this role.

An important activity this year was the updating of the CCDP bylaws. These were approved by a vote of the members, and will guide the operation of the CCDP for the next period of time.



The CCDP will hold its next meeting in concert with the CPA conference in Montreal on Saturday, June 13, 2009. This will be a later afternoon meeting, followed by a dinner. Two highlights of the meeting will be a presentation on the use of GREs in Canadian psychology departments, and an invited reminiscence from Dr. Vern Quinsey, a longstanding Department Head at Queens University, on the eve of his retirement.

We have had past discussions with CSBBCS (www.csbbcs.org), about a possible meeting at their conference. The CSBBCS is hosting a joint meeting with the BPS in York, England in 2009 (July 8- 10, 2009). It is possible that CCDP will meet in conjunction with CSBBCS in 2010; that issue will be discussed when we next meet.

Finally, due to other obligations, I have indicated that I am compelled to step down from the role of Executive Director, as of June 2009. I have very much appreciated the role, and the opportunity it has afforded me to (again) attend CPA Board meetings. I continue to be impressed by the scope and depth of Canadian Psychology. Canadian Departments of Psychology obviously play enormous roles in the science, discipline and practice of psychology, both nationally and internationally. It has been my pleasure to serve the community through CCDP.

Keith Dobson, Chair





Annual Report
Financial Statements
 **2008**
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008





AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the statement of financial position of the Canadian Psychological Association as at December 31, 2008 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, 2008 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, these principles have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Ottawa, Canada
February 6, 2009



CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 440,599	\$ 97,175
Short-term investments	250,000	425,000
Accounts receivable	48,133	50,878
Due from the Foundation (note 4)	6,103	10,704
Prepaid expenses and advances	32,853	19,833
	777,688	603,590
Long-term investments (note 5)	1,503,700	1,353,372
Capital assets (note 6)	164,871	166,305
	\$ 2,446,259	\$ 2,123,267
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 242,806	\$ 217,885
Deferred revenue (note 7)	864,853	754,379
	1,107,659	972,264
Leasehold inducements	26,361	31,083
Fund balances:		
Investment in capital assets	164,871	166,305
Restricted (note 8)	161,671	143,638
Unrestricted	985,697	809,977
	1,312,239	1,119,920
Commitments and contingent liabilities (notes 10 and 11)		
	\$ 2,446,259	\$ 2,123,267

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Members:

_____ Director

_____ Director



CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Revenue:		
Membership fees	\$ 1,074,392	\$ 1,046,023
Less: allocation to journal subscriptions	(150,119)	(165,184)
Less: allocation to abstracts	(76,070)	(74,040)
	848,203	806,799
Investment revenue (loss)	(37,184)	14,197
Miscellaneous	83,976	110,013
Foreign exchange gain	745	1,229
Sections processing charge	7,301	5,764
	903,041	938,002
Journals (note 9)	294,375	299,219
Annual convention (note 9)	310,910	378,060
Accreditation panel fees	177,257	159,610
Psynopsis	25,125	22,545
Abstracts	77,125	75,120
Internet	64,600	67,650
Representation	5,561	1,802
CPA Workshops	–	28,999
Publications	14,984	12,404
	1,872,978	1,983,411
Expenses:		
Administration	1,018,164	1,131,260
Less overhead allocation (note 1(i))	(103,944)	(144,983)
	914,220	986,277
Journal subscriptions	174,740	261,306
Annual convention	305,351	360,854
Accreditation panel	162,589	151,344
Psynopsis	49,712	45,910
New Media	13,255	22,467
Representation	41,504	39,870
CPA Workshops	–	67,406
Publications	3,770	5,943
Advocacy	7,679	3,816
IUPsyS	6,237	–
Supply and Demand Task Force	251	–
Congo Committee	1,351	–
	1,680,659	1,945,193
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 192,319	\$ 38,218

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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Statement of Changes in Fund Balances

Year ended December 31, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	Investment in capital assets	Restricted (note 8)	Unrestricted	Total 2008	Total 2007
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$ 166,305	\$ 143,638	\$ 809,977	\$ 1,119,920	\$ 1,081,702
Excess of revenue over expenses	–	18,033	174,286	192,319	38,218
Capital asset purchases	33,270	–	(33,270)	–	–
Amortization of capital assets	(34,704)	–	34,704	–	–
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 164,871	\$ 161,671	\$ 985,697	\$ 1,312,239	\$ 1,119,920

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



CANADIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operations:		
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 192,319	\$ 38,218
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of capital assets	34,704	51,046
Amortization of leasehold inducements	(4,722)	(4,721)
Unrealized loss on investments recorded at fair value	49,673	62,700
Net change in non-cash working capital balances:		
Decrease in short-term investments	175,000	(425,000)
Accounts receivable	2,745	5,575
Due from the Foundation	4,601	(11,477)
Prepaid expenses and advances	(13,020)	8,512
Primary Health Care Transition Fund receivable	–	81,890
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	24,921	52,108
Deferred revenue	110,474	60,049
	576,695	(81,100)
Investing and financing activities:		
Capital asset purchases	(33,270)	(8,603)
Increase in long-term investments	(200,001)	(283,875)
	(233,271)	(292,478)
Increase (decrease) in cash	343,424	(373,578)
Cash, beginning of year	97,175	470,753
Cash, end of year	\$ 440,599	\$ 97,175

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2008

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. 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.

(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.



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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2008

1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(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 31 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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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2008

1. 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 years
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.

(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.

2. Adoption of new accounting standards and future accounting standards:

(a) Adoption of new accounting standards:

Capital Disclosures

Effective January 1, 2008, the Association adopted the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants ("CICA") Handbook Section 1535, Capital Disclosures which establishes standards for disclosing information about an entity's capital and how it is managed. Adoption of these recommendations had no effect on the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2008, except for the additional note disclosure in note 3.



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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2008

2. Adoption of new accounting standards and future accounting standards (continued):

- (a) Adoption of new accounting standards (continued):

Financial instruments

In December 2006, the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA) issued new accounting standards: Handbook Section 3862, Financial Instruments – Disclosures and Handbook Section 3863, Financial Instruments - Presentation. These standards were expected to be effective for the Association's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008. However in December 2008, the CICA eliminated the requirement for not-for-profit entities to adopt these standards. The Association has continued to disclose and present financial instruments under Handbook Section 3861, Financial Instruments - Disclosure and Presentation for the year ended December 31, 2008.

- (b) Future accounting standards:

The CICA has issued the following new accounting standards that will come into effect for the Association's fiscal year beginning January 1, 2009:

Amendments to Accounting Standards that Apply Only to Not-for-Profit Organizations

In September 2008, the CICA issued amendments to the existing accounting standards applicable to not-for-profit organizations. These amendments affect the financial statement presentation and disclosure requirements for not-for-profit organizations.

Disclosure of Allocated Expenses by Not-for-Profit Organizations

In September 2008, the CICA issued Section 4470, Disclosure of Allocated Expenses by Not-for-Profit Organizations. This new section establishes disclosure requirements for not-for-profit organizations that report expenses by function and allocate expenses to a number of functions to which the expenses relate. These not-for-profit organizations will be required to disclose additional information regarding their accounting policies adopted for the allocation of expenses among functions, the nature of these expenses, the basis on which the allocations are being made, and the value of the allocations.

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



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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2008

3. Capital:

The Association defines capital as its fund balances.

The Association's objective with respect to invested in capital assets is to fund its capital assets.

The Association's objective with respect to restricted net assets is to provide funding for future expenditures related to restricted purposes, as described in note 8.

The Association's objective with respect to unrestricted net assets is to provide for funding for future operational purposes.

The Association is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and its overall strategy with respect to capital remains unchanged from the year ended December 31, 2007.

4. 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).

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. The Association paid expenses for and collected revenue on behalf of the Foundation, resulting in a receivable at December 31, 2008 of \$6,103 (2007 – \$10,704).

5. Long-term investments:

Long-term investments are designated as held for trading and are recorded at fair value:

	2008	2007
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90	\$ 90
Fixed income	1,014,761	749,678
Mutual funds	488,849	603,604
	\$ 1,503,700	\$ 1,353,372



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Year ended December 31, 2008

6. Capital assets:

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2008 Net book value	2007 Net book value
Office furniture and equipment	\$ 124,929	\$ 71,323	\$ 53,606	\$ 35,272
Computer equipment	140,762	122,421	18,341	24,650
Software	132,400	128,128	4,272	–
Leasehold improvements	177,305	88,653	88,652	106,383
	\$ 575,396	\$ 410,525	\$ 164,871	\$ 166,305

Cost and accumulated amortization as at December 31, 2007 amounted to \$600,720 and \$434,415 respectively. During the year, the Association disposed of assets with a cost and accumulated amortization of \$58,594.

7. Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue consists of the following:

	2008	2007
Membership fees	\$ 767,007	\$ 600,307
Accreditation panel fees	79,200	79,200
Journal subscriptions	2,900	9,237
Ethnopolitical Warfare	10,813	10,813
Representation donations	4,933	3,156
Mental Health Surveillance	–	51,666
	\$ 864,853	\$ 754,379



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8. Restricted fund balances:

	Balance, beginning of year	Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	Balance, end of year
Publications Reserve Fund	\$ 78,166	\$ 11,204	\$ 89,370
Accreditation Panel Fund	28,503	14,668	43,171
IUPsyS Fund	16,969	(6,237)	10,732
Supply and Demand Task Force	7,500	(251)	7,249
Prescription Privileges Task Force	7,500	–	7,500
Congo Committee Fund	5,000	(1,351)	3,649
	\$ 143,638	\$ 18,033	\$ 161,671

Restricted fund balances are 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 Accreditation Panel Fund is established as an internally dedicated source of funds for accreditation activities and related special projects.
- (c) The IUPsyS Fund is established to fund attendance at IUPsyS conferences and the annual general meeting.
- (d) The Supply and Demand Task Force is established to undertake a study of the supply of and demand for psychologists in Canada.
- (e) The Prescription Privileges Task Force is established to undertake a study to develop a position on prescription privileges for psychologists.
- (f) The Congo Committee Fund is established to support the development of an Association initiative to provide psychological aid in the Congo.



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9. Grant revenue:

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

	2008	2007
Journals (Canadian Psychology and Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science)	\$ 48,996	\$ 48,996
Annual convention travel	41,261	41,261
	\$ 90,257	\$ 90,257

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

10. 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:

2009	\$ 58,439
2010	60,933
2011	60,933
2012	60,933
2013 and thereafter	121,866
	\$ 363,104

11. 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.

12. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities:

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