



Section on Clinical Psychology
La Section de la psychologie clinique

Summary of Minutes of the Spring Executive Teleconference Meeting

April 20th 2007

Members present: Christine Purdon (Chairperson), Catherine Lee (Past-Chairperson), Deb Dobson (Chairperson-Elect), John Pearce (Secretary-Treasurer), Andrea Ashbaugh (Student Member), Andrew Ryder (Member-at-Large)

Report from the Chair (Christine Purdon)

Deb and Christine will develop a proposal to present at the Chairs of sections meeting that will include a template of an agreement form for sections who wish to co-sponsor workshops and other educational events at the annual convention

There was unanimous agreement that our website needs to be re-designed. Andrew has agreed to take the lead in this project, and he will consult with Nigel Flear from CPA and possibly with a student. Christine will liaise with Andrew regarding updates to the website.

Treasurer's Report (John Pearce)

Income

Clinical Section membership dues August 25, 2006-January 31, 2007)	8220.50
Advertisement in <i>Canadian Clinical Psychologist</i>	75.00
Total Income	8295.50

Expenses

Mid-Winter Executive Meeting, Montreal (January 26-27, 2007)	4426.56
Work on Fact Sheets	360.00
Expenses for CPA presenter	126.64
CPA pre-convention workshop	
Total Expenses	4913.20

Income-Expenses

3382.30

Assets

Bank balance (as of January 31, 2007)	15072.64
Current value of GICs	4225.33
Income-expenses	3382.30
Total Assets	22680.27

We have two GICs, one that will be renewed this year and another that ends in June 2008.

Membership

The Section membership numbers as of April 17, 2007 are:

Members	497
Students	<u>228</u>
Total	725

The growth of the Section's membership has been substantial over the last eight years.

Student Representative Report (Andrea Ashbaugh)

Advertising for the new student travel award has yielded nine applicants. There has not been much response to a letter Andrea sent about Psychology Month.

CPA 2007 Conference (June 7-9)

Ken Bowers Award Submissions (Deb Dobson)

There were five submissions for the Ken Bowers Award, the same as last year. The winner is Sarah Bellefontaine from the University of Ottawa.

Pre-convention Workshop: Advertising (Catherine Lee, Christine Purdon), Registration (Andrea Ashbaugh)

The CPA handles most of the advertising for the pre-convention workshop and presentations. Catherine has distributed information to community agencies and the University of Ottawa, and Christine has also distributed brochures. She will send brochures to other members of the Executive to distribute.

Public Lecture (Catherine Lee)

A student is working with Catherine to publicize Dr. Antony's public lecture. They have contacted local agencies, self-help groups and have meet with a press officer at the University of Ottawa. Dr. Antony will participate in an interview from Toronto the day before his public lecture in Ottawa. The student will prepare a timeline of the various tasks that must be completed for future reference.

Section Election Update (Catherine Lee)

Catherine reported that John was acclaimed as Chairperson-Elect, Patricia Furer as Secretary-Treasurer and Melissa Kehler as Student Member. There was some discussion about the advisability of the Clinical Section providing financial support to the Student Member to attend the annual CPA Convention. Andrea will find out how and to what extent the Student Section supports its executive members in this regard.

Section Fellows (Deb Dobson)

Deb reported that Dr. Martin Antony has been nominated for Fellow status for 2007.

Definition of “Clinical Psychology”

The Executive unanimously agreed that we should include the definition of clinical psychology previously disseminated by the Clinical Section on the website.

Fact Sheet Update (Andrew Ryder)

Andrew reported that fact sheets will be distributed to internship sites. Currently, Andrew and his student assistant are generating a list of the authors of the Fact Sheets and will invite them to provide updates. The Clinical Section’s concerns about the Fact Sheets were raised at the recent CPA Board of Directors meeting in February. This item will be addressed at the Sections meeting at the 2007 Convention.

By-Laws Update (John Pearce)

John posted a summary of the substantive changes to the current by-laws on the Section’s listserv and website, as well as complete versions of the current by-laws and proposed amendments. Member response so far has been minimal. The amendments will be presented as a package for approval at the 2007 ABM.

Letter to Members Who Have Not Renewed for 2006 (Catherine Lee)

Identifying those members who have not renewed their Section memberships requires hand checking of current and past lists – which is time-consuming and lengthy. John and Andrew will meet with Nigel Flear at the 2007 Convention to discuss whether CPA can produce a list of the email addresses of lapsed members.

Student Grants (Andrea Ashbaugh and Andrew Ryder)

Andrea and Andrew presented a proposal to support several student-led initiatives. Executive members were impressed with the unique nature of one component: funding for students to develop and organize educational presentations. Andrea and Andrew will prepare a second draft to the Executive that will address issues such as the administration of any monetary grants from the Clinical Section. There was a suggestion that we may want to support this proposal for two years to determine students’ interest in applying for such funding.

Convention Executive Meeting Dates

The Executive will convene a dinner meeting on Thursday, June 8th at 7:00pm. John will extend an invitation to the Secretary-Treasurer Elect, Patricia Furer. Melissa Kehler, the Student Member-Elect, is unable to attend the 2007 Convention.

New Financial Proposal (Deb Dobson and John Pearce)

Deb and John will circulate their proposal for an assistant to complete a number of administrative tasks.