CPA - Counselling Psychology Executive Meeting - Minutes

January 17 (Friday) 2025 at 9 am – 10:30pm (Pacific Time)/10 am (Mountain Time)/12 pm (Eastern Time)

Present: Kirby Huminuik (chair), Allison Foskett (past-chair), Zuraida Dada (chair-elect), Katie Bradley (member-at-large: convention coordinator), Jon Woodend (secretary/treasurer), Sonya Flessati (member-at-large: awards coordinator); Janet Miller (newsletter editor); Danielle Shinbine (student representative); Janet Miller (newsletter editor).

Regrets: None.

| | Item | Action | Person(s) Responsible |
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| 1. | Welcome | | Responsible |
| 2. | Approval of Agenda and Minutes from Last meeting a. Called to approve agenda: Motion passed b. Approval of November 2024 minutes: Approved | Upload approved minutes | Jon |
| 3. | Budget Planning a. Budget updates i. Section is in good financial standing at the start of 2025 ii. Several items from 2024 rolled over iii. Higher than anticipated membership fees | Finalize 2024 budget reconciliation Submit proposed 2025 budget to CPA | Jon |
| 4. | Webinar Series a. For 2025 i. Dr Gwendolyn Villebrun has agreed ii. Other options: Dr Rod McCormick, Farah Merali, Alice Wiafe | Coordinate with Dr Villebrun Reach out to Dr McCormick and Merali about interest | Allison Kirby |

| | iii. Consider webinar on preparing conference submissions for studentsiv. Consider offering continuing education credits through CPA | Reach out to Wiafe | Zuraida |
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| 5. | CPA (2025) Convention a. 43 submissions received and reviewed b. Moving forward, consider how to encourage more submissions from practitioners; potential changes to criteria to welcome presentations beyond completed research c. Consider including an article in Kaleidoscope for 2026 convention on submission criteria d. Consider a mentorship process for members to guide their submissions e. Keynote speaker i. Dr Anusha Kassan has agreed to be the keynote speaker | Ask CPA if late submissions or a second round of submissions based on feedback is allowed Enquire if it is allowed to share criteria | Katie Katie/Kirby |
| 6. | Awards Planning a. Encourage CPA Fellow Award Considerations b. Awards information c. Counselling Psychology section distinguished member candidates | Consider potential candidates Share through Kaleidoscope Consider potential candidates | All executive Sonya/Janet All executive |
| 7. | CPA Workgroups – updates and planning a. Counselling Psychology definition workgroup (Allison) | | |

| | i. Work is continuing in two subgroups: a) consultation process to ensure inclusion of stakeholders, b) review of literature ii. Workgroup will come together soon to share ideas | | |
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| 8. | Section Newsletter – Kaleidoscope a. Beth Haverkamp – spotlight on member? b. Zuraida to consider a contribution to the next edition around the EDI backlash presentation c. Update the website/social media with Kaleidoscope issues (Student rep?) d. Continuing theme: Anti-oppressive practice e. Next deadline: 10th February | Create an article Create an article | Kirby Zuraida |
| 9. | Advocacy within the Counselling Psychology Profession a. Have as an ongoing agenda item to discuss areas of and for advocacy within the field b. Consider webinar or symposium at the 2026 convention on the future of counselling psychology profession (e.g., Janet/Thomas' research, update from the counselling psychology definition working group; consider also other stakeholders) | Consider webinar or future symposium | All executive |
| 10. | a. 21st March 2025 9 am PT/ 10 am MT | Send Zoom link | Jon |

Minutes prepared by: Jon Woodend