The CPA Educational and School Psychology Section Annual Meeting was held on Saturday June 1, 2019 from 4:45 to 5:45 PM at Acadia B (Ground Floor Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel).

MINUTES
Recorded by Maria Kokai

In attendance:

1. Laurie Ford, Chair, started the meeting with the Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda
   Moved by: Debra Lean, seconded by Ester Cole.  CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of 2018 Section Annual Meeting as drafted (attached)
   Moved by: Todd Cunningham, seconded by Maria Rogers.  CARRIED

4. Chair’s Report - Laurie Ford (see attached)

5. Secretary/Treasurers Report – Maria Kokai (see attached)
   Moved by: Judy Wiener, seconded by Joe Snyder.  CARRIED

6. Committee Reports

   Election (Nominating Committee) Report – Judy Wiener (see attached) – Judy Wiener, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, moved that the membership ratify the election of Debra Lean and Adam McCrimmon as Members -at-Large, and the acclamation of Tasmia Hai, Alexandra Ruddy, and Paige Walker as Student members.
   Ratified by a unanimous vote.

   Convention 2019 – Tina Montreuil/Laurie Ford (see attached)
   • Review Process: Laurie thanked the volunteer reviewers (practitioners, students, academics) for their work
• Halifax Convention Highlights: the Section is sponsoring an invited speaker, Melanie Nelson (University of British Columbia), who will be presenting on “Truth & Reconciliation: Educational & School Psychology Service Provision Through An Indigenous Lens”, three symposia, two discussion forums, five 12-minute presentations, one professional development workshop, eight GIMME-5 presentations, and 43 printed poster presentations. The section will once again be hosting its annual AGM followed by its reception on Saturday, June 1st in the afternoon.

• Montreal, 2020: Rachel Weber will be the convention coordinator; planning to collaborate with other sections; considering a student mini-convention.

Promotions Material Committee – Laurie Ford/Tina Montreuil (see attached)
Coranne Johnson and Tina Montreuil, committee co-chairs wish to extend their appreciation of the East Canada” and “West Canada” committee members for their contributions.

• Updates & Future: The work focused on the development of materials (printed and digital formats) for 4 years (campaigns Year 1 to Year 4), and preliminary planning for distribution. The next phase is focused on distribution of materials; a committee will be formed to work on this task.

• Preview of Materials: Laurie presented some of the digital posters, and had printed copies available for distribution of the Year 1 poster and postcards. Laurie acknowledged the great work of Tina and Coranne as co-chairs and their entire committee.

Student Awards Committee – Jen Theule (see attached)
The winners of these awards for 2019 were 1) Lauren Goegang (University of Alberta), 2) Sarah Babcock (Western Ontario), and 3) Chiung-Fang Chang (McGill). Winners were awarded a small cash prize and were presented with a certificate.

7. Communications
a. Newsletter:
Laurie acknowledged the current newsletter editor, Janine Montgomery, for her excellent work on the newsletter. We are transitioning to an editorial team, with more student involvement/contribution.

b. Website:
CPA will make it possible for sections to manage the content of their own web page in the near future.

c. Practitioner’s Listserv – (see attached from Juanita Mureika)
Laurie thanked Juanita for her work on the listserv, and encouraged members to post.
d. Section Facebook Page
There is a section Facebook page, and we would like to encourage more social media activity to raise the profile of school and educational psychology.

8. Canadian Journal of School Psychology Updates – Steven Shaw
The Journal became an independent publication under Sage. More special issues are planned for the future to facilitate research to practice and evidence-based practice. Unfortunately, currently there is no access. Starting podcasts in the fall, interviewing authors, contributors, etc.

   - Promoting visibility for the section - Laurie has the position of Chair of Section Chairs and will attend CPA Board meetings
   - Diversifying the newsletter
   - Updating and controlling website content
   - Planning the distribution of the promotional material
   - Creating new awards for scientific contribution; outstanding practitioner; and for Teacher/ Mentor/ Supervisor.

10. Adjourn
    Moved by Judy Wiener, seconded by Steven Shaw. CARRIED