Society of Indian Psychologists Executive Council Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2011

A conference call with the Executive Council of the Society of Indian Psychologists was held on November 9, 2011. The meeting convened at approximately 11:00am (CST).

Members in attendance: Jacque Gray, Gayle Morse, Wendy Peters, Doug McDonald, Patricia Alexander, Iva Greywolf, Toni Quaintance and Joanna Shadlow.

Review of the Executive Council meeting minutes from October, 2011 was completed.

Gayle Morse discussed the update regarding our voting seat for APA. She reported that there would be a vote in February 2012 and this will be the last attempt. She reported that the primary goal is to build a stronger relationship between the 3-4 main ethnic groups and APA. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been written and will be distributed to the listserv for feedback and approval. After the conference call if feedback from distribution of MOU to the listserv was positively received. SIP will move forward with the MOU.

Patricia Alexander will contact Wendy Peters regarding getting donation letter for recent donation of website expenses. Treasurer Patricia Alexander had no further reports.

Gayle Morse reported on SIP conference 2012. Dates of conference are June22nd-26th. Several program developments were discussed including, a panel of individuals from Div 18, 35, and 38, Michael Berryhill coming and speaking about IHS and INPSYCH programs, and development of a discussion around "working in the field." The executive committee will continue to get updates regarding program development.

Gayle Morse reported on potential t_shirts for SIP conference. She emailed an invoice and will go back to get quotes for more t_shirts to see if the price per shirt decreases.

Jacque Gray discussed INPSYCH updates. It appears students reported problems with funding arising when preparing to do payback obligations. Executive committee discussed possible avenue for helping.

Executive committee phone call participants gave consensus on signing the DSM <u>W5</u> letter.

Jacque Gray will contact Gail Mason about website. Goal set for website going live after holiday.

Action items for next conference call which his set for December 14th at 11am (CST):

- *Continued website updates from Wendy Peters and Jacque Gray regarding call to Gail Mason.
- *Discussion from SIP Conference Program Committee for SIP conference in June 2012.
- *Update from Pam Deters regarding Leadership Development Committee.
- *Discussion regarding possible collaboration on presentations for SIP members at APA Hawaii 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 11:57am.