Society of Indian Psychologists Executive Council Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2011

A conference call with the Executive Council of the Society of Indian Psychologists was held on August 10, 2011. The meeting convened at approximately 11:00am (CST).

Members in attendance: Jacque Gray, Angela Enno, Wendy Peters, Claudia Antuña, Iva Greywolf, and Joanna Shadlow

Review of the Executive Council meeting minutes from July 13th, 2011 was completed.

An update regarding OEMA funds was given by Jacque Gray. It was reported that SIP will only cover one of the APA ethics committees travel expenses to SIP. The rest of the money allotted to SIP from OEMA will cover other SIP expenses as in past years.

An update regarding technology. Angela Enno and Jacque Gray will send Gail Mason an email to find out costs and contacts for website design.

Wendy Peters will contact Gayle Morse to get "Save the Date" sent out to all SIP past presidents to encourage attendance at next year's 25th anniversary SIP conference.

Jacque Gray reported update from APA conference.

- *Updates regarding SIP letter on DSM 5: Jacque Gray reported that unfortunately APA will not be taking action.
- *Update from APA ethnics committee: Ethics committee suggested we submit ideas for programming hour for next year's APA conference. And they encouraged Jacque Gray to submit publications regarding ethics in Indian Country.
- *OEMA is developing a monograph on Assessment with Ethnic Minorities and Fred Leong is coordinating this effort. Jacque Gray is preparing the Assessment for American Indians Chapter for the project and it is expected to be out next summer.
- *Discussed concerns regarding amount of APA minority presentations at 8am and on Sunday. This issue is being resolved for next year's APA conference.
- *Discussed need to continue dinner meeting with SIP and other indigenous psychologists' groups on Friday's at APA to maintain support and personal contact.

Discussion between conference call attendees on organizing SIP conference to include several topics related to skill building for SIP members (billing updates and issues, bringing in experts to discuss topics of concern and interest). This will be discussed in conjunction with Carolyn Barcus and Gayle Morse.

Having a Concierge/Hospitality Coordinator to help with people find roommates to share rooms to reduce costs and arranging the dinner at APA and/or SIP. Wendy Peters agreed to take the lead on this for the 2013 APA in Hawaii where she spoke about having a welcome Luau for SIP with local entertainment. We can make this overlap SIP. Psychologists in Indian Country, Div. 35 Section on Indigenous Women, Division 45 to pull people together since everyone isn't on all the lists.

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

- *Technology update from Angela Enno and Gail Mason.
- *Paypal update from Patricia Alexander.
- *Update regarding "Save the Date" for next year's SIP conference especially for past presidents.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45am.