

**AVAPL EXECUTIVE BOARD CONFERENCE CALL
APRIL 17, 2014 (3:00PM ET)**

Present: Dr. Jody Rubenstein, Dr. John R. McQuaid, Dr. Mary Levenson, Dr. Mary E. Shea and Dr. Stephen Cavicchia.

Minutes – The 3/20/14 minutes were previously approved and will be posted on the AVAPL website.

Treasurer's Report

- A. Conference Account: \$ 42,276.13
 - 97 registrants with current net of \$25,624 (hotel costs are estimated at \$18k)
 - 28 are registered for the workshop and 24 for the dinner
- B. Membership Account: \$ 43,370.43
- C. Membership: 339 members (344 last year)
- D. The 2014 Mid-Winter Meeting account is now closed

Old Business

- A. Workgroup Status – there was nothing new to report from the various workgroups.
- B. Psychology Leadership Conference – Confirmation has not been received from ACES. A number have cancelled their conference registration as the due date for a refund was 4/16. There was consensus that the refund date will be extended to one week prior to the conference with the only penalty being the cost incurred from Amazon's PayPal. Those who received a refund would not be penalized if they wish to re-register for the conference after ACES approval is received. 12 have signed up for the COA training.
- C. APA – There was consensus that 15-20 minutes would be set-aside during AVAPL's time for VACO MH to give an update. Time will also be offered to OAA (Dr. Ken Jones).

New Business

- A. Special Interest Groups (SIG) – Dr. Rubenstein spoke with an AVAPL member who expressed interest in a Comp & Pension Special Interest Group. Articles were shared regarding the benefit of such a SIG. There was general support for such an endeavor. Existing AVAPL SIGs include Neuropsychology and Early Career Psychologists. The Executive Committee (EC) discussed contacting existing SIGs to see how they are operating and if any issues have been identified. Dr. Rubenstein will follow-up with Dr. Burke and Dr. Kenney to discuss any possible issues that should be considered. Also discussed was limiting the SIG for a specific period of time after which it will be determined by the EC if continuation is merited. Dr. Rubenstein will invite the AVAPL member who made the suggestion to participate in the next EC call.
- B. OAA Survey – Dr. Levenson completed a survey of the field to identify sites that are interested in additional pre- and post-doc training opportunities. Dr. Rubenstein will forward to OAA. Dr. Levenson was thanked for her significant

work in completing this project.

Next Meeting Call – 4/17/2014 – 2 PM Central/3PM Eastern Time

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Stephen Cavicchia, Psy.D.

Secretary