CoS Executive Council Meeting Minutes

7/1/20

In attendance: Karen Farrell, Rick Seime, Sally Barlow, Victor Molinari, Julia Phillips

1. Discussed strategy for identifying a new CoA Commissioner – EC fully supported Sally Barlow in her decision to step down from CoA. Jackie Wall and Rick Seime have a phone consult tomorrow and Rick will share more information about the steps we will need to take moving forward. We will need to put out a call for people on CoS to self-nominate for the position. It is a very time intensive, but very rewarding position. Ideally, it will be a member of the CoS. We may also consider someone with past ties to the CoS. If so, we should involve them in current CoS matters via attendance at zoom meetings with full CoS and/or EC.
2. Additional follow up to Summit 4 Outreach and Communications Group: Eddy Ameen’s position at APA was lost to reorganization. In addition to being on the Summit 4 Follow up Group, Eddy was also liaison from APAGS/CECP to CoS. He was a valued member in all of these roles. Current follow up group is Rick Seime, Victor Molinari, Karen Farrell, Ron Rozensky, David Cox, Alex Siegel, Sylvia Malcore, Julia Phillips. Discussed whether we should identify a new group member to continue this work. Perhaps when we check in with identifying a “champion” from each group, we could reconfigure the group? It was agreed that there is no urgency to doing so right now. Also discussed letting Eddy know how much we have valued him and seeing if he has any interest in continuing the work of Summit 4 Outreach and Communications Group – Rick will reach out to him.
3. Victor reported that he attended two hours of the ABPP Board of Trustees meeting focused on liaison reports. He reported to the BOT regarding submitting the letter to CoA signed by a number of APA groups involved in training that recommended adopting the taxonomy for graduate, doctoral internship, and postdoctoral programs. Also thanked ABPP for its response to our letter desiring to seek clarity in definitions of specialty/subspecialty. Next time they meet, Victor plans to attend the full meeting.
4. Proposal was sent in to TEPP for the special issue on competencies. Identified prospective work group as current EC members and possibly other Board of Director members . Karen has a graduate assistant who also might help with literature review if proposal is accepted. Victor will coordinate.
5. Discussed getting a CoS zoom account and decided to hold off and use Julia’s CSU account instead.
6. Discussed bylaws review – Carlen and Rick are still communicating about starting the process. Bylaws need to be updated to reflect that we will have a 3- year presidential cycle of president elect, president, past president. Other suggested changes to bylaws are in the minutes from the November 2019 CoS meeting.
7. Need to plan an all CoS membership zoom call – August 3, 2020 at 5 pm EST.
8. David Cox asked CoS to consider housing on our website and financing the cost of an app (estimate $2K - $3K) related to communication about the taxonomy. CoS has funds that could cover this amount in its account – funds have been built up since we passed the last dues increase. Victor will follow up with David Cox sharing the EC support for the proposal.
9. EC gave Victor approval to send reminder notice to specialty councils that have not yet fully paid.