**Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology**

**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

August 7, 2023

11 am EDT / 10 am CDT

**ATTENDED:** Robin Hilsabeck, Victor Molinari, Michele Rusin, Danielle Rynczak, Carlen Henington

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| **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION** | **ACTION/ RECOMMENDATION**  **Responsible Party(ies)/ Due Date** | **STATUS**  **Open/Closed** |
| I. OLD BUSINESS |  |  |  |
| July minutes | To be approved | On 8/7/2023 Danielle will send the year’s first quarterly meeting minutes, as well as July and August EC meeting minutes to EC for email vote approval.  Danielle will reach out to Kristen Knight and Jennifer Taylor of APA to obtain last quarterly meeting minutes, and will send those to Victor when received. | Open |
| Treasury Report | Guidelines regarding allowing CoS EC to get paid. **Any update?**  Michele reported she will send updated treasury report to the EC. We have an increase in $700 with no payouts since last meeting.  Michele drafted language to update CoS reimbursement policy regarding travel for Officers not holding Director status. Changes were made under Article 7 “Officers” and Article 6 under “Directors.” | Michele will send revised language to the EC on proposed CoS policy changes re: reimbursement. EC vote expected by email with intent to bring the motion forward at next quarterly meeting (August). | Open |
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| Taxonomy Grid | Couple/Family & School **updates**  Couple and Family Psychology has submitted their final revisions.  Carlen reported School Psychology also has a finalized version to submit to EC. | Victor will send Couple/Family Psychology Taxonomy to EC for review.  Carlen will send out School Psychology Taxonomy to EC for review. The intention is to bring both taxonomies forward on motions to approve during next quarterly meeting (August). |  |
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| II. NEW BUSINESS |  |  |  |
| Standards of Accreditation revisions | Beth’s comments **& updates**  Victor posted CoA public comments online and explicitly stated which councils supported the comments. Kudos to Beth Arredondo and the Neuropsychology Council for keeping up-to-date on CoA changes and taking the lead on drafting the public comments. |  | Closed |
| Geropsychology specialty renewal | For the geropsychology specialty petition renewal, we have to have CoS approve a revised taxonomy this year. There are no updates because it is so new. Can the board just reapprove it?  **Any update regarding Procedure?**  Carlen is working on this procedure. | Carlen will send out a draft policy proposal re: petition renewal processes to EC this week in preparation for motion to approve the policy at next quarterly meeting. | Open |
| Resource Page for new specialties | Comments from SMI & Rick – my document  Victor contacted SMI, as a new board, regarding input as to what would be helpful, and SMI provided input. | Victor will reach out to CoS Directors to establish a subcommittee to draft the resource. | Open |
| Shortage of post-doc applicants | New initiative with APPIC?  Mark Vogel reached out to Victor re: concern that there is a shortage of postdoc applicants/attendees. | Victor will reach out to CoS Directors to establish a subcommittee. Subcommittee will brainstorm ideas to increase the number of postdocs and collaborate with APPIC and potentially other invested parties such as ABPP. | Open |
| Next Quarterly meeting (8/19/23) agenda: | 1. Approve School and Marriage & Family taxonomies  2. Standards of Accreditation – Beth reports on comments re concern that CoA is only ‘player’ in designation of appropriate training guidelines  3. Clinical Psychology presents  4. CoS liaison to ABPP - Foundation Scholarships – Promote to all specialties  - Victor encouraged us to share the availability of these scholarships with our specialties, and will also announce the availability at the next CoS quarterly meeting. Michele noted that you may not be reimbursed until after completion, which does not necessarily help those with financial burdens. (Michele noted: scholarships that reimburse Board certification expenses at successful completion of process does not address needs of those having cash-flow problems)  5. Preparations for all-day meeting in DC  6. Solicit nominations for CoS EC board | Victor will finalize quarterly meeting agenda. | Open |
| Quarterly meeting dates | Saturday 8/19/23 Remote 12-1:30EST  Saturday 11/4/23 (in DC) – all day |  | Ongoing |
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