

Kentucky Psychological Association

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KPA's Strategic Priorities

Membership	Advocacy	Leadership Development
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Kentucky Psychological Association Board Meeting

Date: March 10, 2023

Time: 1:01 PM–3:50 PM (EST)

Location: Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Minutes – DRAFT

KPA Board Roster (Present / <i>Absent</i> / <i>Absent with advance notice</i> *)	
KPA Central Office: Eric Russ – KPA Executive Director Karen Graves – DPA Sarah Burress – KPA Director of Operations Legislative Agent- Laurie Grimes	Executive Board: Patti Weiter – President Steven Kniffley – Past-President <i>*AJ Steele- President-Elect</i> Kari Hall Jones – Secretary Pam Cartor – Treasurer
Representatives:	
Appalachian Region- Leigh Ann Ford Bluegrass Region/Membership- Federico Aldarondo Ohio River Region- Mariya Leyderman Western-Central Region- Maggie Sergeant Academic- Rick Grieve Master's- Sarah Nolan ECP- Megan Summers Child & Adolescent- Courtney Smith Clinical- Alexandria Pruitt	<i>Education & Training- Gina DeArth-Pendley</i> Health Psychology- Lisa Steelsmith Rural Practice- Abby Dowdy <i>APA Council/KPA-PAC- Felicia Smith*</i> <i>KPAGS- Jack Seelye, M.A.</i> At-Large- Brenda Arellano At-Large- Kayla Veasey Legislative- Georgeann Brown Diversity- Clinton Nowicke <i>2023 Convention- David Pascale Hague*</i>

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	CONCLUSION
Call to Order and Roll Call/ President's Remarks	Meeting called to order at 1ish.	No motion was made.
Approval of Minutes from 12/2022 Meeting	Minutes approved, no revisions requested.	Motion made. Passed unanimously.
4th Quarter Financial Report	<p>(Cartor) Report provided prior to meeting. Fiscal year moving to July 1st- June 30th instead of calendar year. As a result will have a 6-month budget. CE income is down. Received grant from CARES. Able to provide staff bonuses for the first time. -Pam reviewed credit card statements as part of financial report. All accounted for.</p> <p>6-month budget provided prior to meeting.</p>	<p>Motion to approve financial report made. Passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to approve 6-month budget. Passed unanimously.</p>
4th Quarter Membership Report	(Russ) Membership continues to grow with new membership model. Small number of silver and gold memberships. Will send recommendations and ideas from PLLC to membership committee for growth opportunity.	
Advocacy Report	<p>(Russ) Report distributed prior to meeting. Busier than anticipated this session. Legislative committee is tracking bills of relevance to field of psychology. Laurie Grimes was at the forefront in testifying against anti-trans bills (SB150). HB470 in Senate and not assigned to a committee. Currently working on other issues (988 on license plates, banning conversion therapy, etc) and worked on SB135 for wording and postpartum depression/mental healthcare. APA Advocacy Chair has offered support for efforts.</p> <p>Met with 23 legislators on Psychology Day (as well as additional breakfast meetings), and had 44 members in attendance.</p>	
ED Report	<p>(Russ) CE: Planning a few more events. Will have committee retreat in June to workshop more ideas for training with certificates. Next live opportunity will be at ECU for Psychological Sciences conference. Convention planning is in full swing. Will be November 2-4 at Embassy Suites in Lexington. Currently negotiating contract.</p> <p>Leadership Programs: Relaunching the Leadership Academy. Mentorship program continues to be successful.</p>	

	<p>Committees and Task Forces: Master's committee has first meeting scheduled. Graduate student committee looking to re-organize and engage. Reach out to networks and encourage ongoing membership and participation in committees.</p> <p>External Funding: KPF applied for first grant of 2023 through "External Agency Fund: Resilience and Community Services" through Louisville Metro. Continue to identify opportunities for funding through KPF.</p> <p>Advocacy: Dr. Grimes has made a smooth (and busy) transition into new lobbying role. Russ participated in advocacy with Whitney Strong on CARR bill. Specifying scope with music therapists. Will continue to encourage members to donate to PAC, as donations have decreased over the years.</p> <p>Kentucky Psychological Foundation: Updated vision, mission and values updated and approved last year. Dr. Rachel Buehner joined KPF board. Planning underway to relaunch Psychologically Healthy Workplace meeting initially planned for last year. Planning marketing strategy with Nexu. First op-ed workshop scheduled for April.</p> <p>Public Events: KPA/KPF working together to collaborate on submission/review process for sponsoring public events.</p> <p>Central Office: Large number of Q1 CE events in addition to Psychology Day. Sarah Burrell now Director of Operations, and Laura Wittenberg now Development Coordinator. Samm Ownby working with CommUnity implementation team. Continue to work with a bookkeeping consultant to streamline financial processes. Realized that categories in Quickbooks have not been correctly aligned for several years. Filed for extension on 2022 taxes and will work to correct 2022 and previous year returns which may result in updated 990s.</p>
CE Report	Distributed prior to meeting. Determining who is coming to CE's and creating feedback options to continue to refine and improve options.
DPA Report	<p>(Graves) Distributed prior to meeting. Townhall meeting held 1/20/23. 15-20 in attendance and discussed professional wills, ethics and procedures. Reviewed upcoming issues for psychologists in KY (CPT code changes, GFE proposed changes, KY Psychology Day)</p> <p>End of Federal PHE and what it means for psychologists: <i>Permanent Medicare Changes:</i> FQHC's and rural health clinics can serve as a distant site provider for behavioral/mental telehealth services. Medicare patients can receive telehealth services for behavioral/mental health care in their home. No geographic restrictions for originating site for behavioral/mental health care in their home. Behavioral/mental telehealth</p>

	<p>services can be delivered using audio-only communication platforms. Rural hospital emergency departments are accepted as originating sites.</p> <p>APA working on the following: Care Dash, addressing CPT code changes, supporting parity in telehealth reimbursement, developing resources and messaging for SPTA members re: NSA/GFE requirement, addressing potential problems with Medicare Advantage plans for members/providers, Masters level psychology programs</p>
Practice Leadership Conference Report	<p>(Weiter) Focus on moving forward the practice of psychology. There will be a decrease in psychology providers in the future, and this has pushed the need to leverage support for Master's level providers to the forefront. Discussed population health approach and social determinants of health. Discussed de-regulation and omnibus boards/importance of having psychology boards. Discussed emergence of digital therapeutics. Provided the Psychology Connect Referral link for providers (https://connect.nationalregister.org/)</p>
APA Council of Representatives	<p>(Russ for Smith) Report distributed prior to meeting.</p> <p>APA COR is a policy-making body. Felicia Smith is our representative. Council passed a policy asserting that confidentiality is central to the practice of psychology, and psychologists should follow APA Ethics Code for confidentiality in reproductive health. Voted to establish a committee for the advancement of general applied psychology. The Council unanimously adopted revised APA Principles for Quality Undergraduate Education in Psychology and approved December 2032 as the expiration date. The Council accepted a Report of An Offer of Apology, on behalf of the American Psychological Association, to First Peoples in the United States.</p>
Discussion Item: CommUnity Platform	<p>Hopeful to launch to members in a few weeks. Currently soliciting feedback from board users. Creating a walk-through to help users navigate site/use personal customization.</p>
Discussion Item: Website Updates	<p>Reorganizing website now, and feedback welcome regarding user-friendly nature of website. Survey revealed that having to log in to the site is a significant barrier for members.</p>
Discussion Item: KBEP Updates	<p>Survey revealed multiple areas of concern re: communication with KBEP. Russ/Weiter summarized concerns and survey results in letter format, and sent to KBEP, as well as Commission with Department of Professional Licensing. Currently seeing some progress with e-services concerns.</p>
Discussion Item: 2023 Convention Updates	<p>Hybrid model worked reasonably well and this will likely be offered again. Lunch attendance continues to be concerned, and considering ways to add CE event to help. Lots of helpful information re: state of the association I given during lunch, so bolstering attendance and participation is important. Theme is "Expanding Horizons, Enhancing Expertise, and Reconnecting to Joy." Have open-call for presentation proposals.</p>
Discussion Item: 2024 KPA Board Nominations	<p>Terms up in 2023 up for election provided prior to meeting. President-Elect Steele will run elections.</p>

Discussion Item: Licensed Psychological Practitioners	Considering options for adjustments to current regulations for individuals licensed at the Master's level re: supervision time required for independent licensure. Sarah Nolan conducted a Master's level survey of current concerns. Have formed a Master's committee to address concerns, and plan to meet again in April. Desire to form committee/focus group with Jones and Nolan to address these concerns and work toward pursuing legislation to make changes. Discussions about these changes are taking place at the APA/national level, and KY wants to be in the forefront in making appropriate changes.
Discussion Item: Retreat Planning	Will take place June 9-10 th in Frankfort at Capital Plaza. Will include full board meeting as well as strategic planning.
Board and Committee Reports	All: Reports provided prior to meeting Discussion re: responding to DOJ report of policing in Louisville. We appreciate all the great work from our KPA members!!! THANK YOU!!!

Adjournment: Unanimously approved motion to adjourn at 3:50 PM (EST) and meeting adjourned.