



INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PSYCHOLOGISTS, INC

October 30, 2020

MINUTES

**The ICP October Board meeting was preceded by an executive session meeting of the Board.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Present: Naoki Asazuma, , Swati Bajpai, Elaine Congress, Polli Hagenars, Alison Santos, Nancy Sidun, Andy Simon, Ada Sinacore, Natalie Porter, Amina Muazzam, Josephine Tan

### **Reported Outcomes:**

1. Dr. Chris Mulchay was appointed to complete Dr. Jean Lau Chin's term of Director at Large (term 2020-2022)
2. Erinn Cameron, M.S. was appointed as the second student representative to the Board.
3. Vera Luckgei was ratified as ICP representative in Vienna and Mostafa Mohammed was ratified as ICP representative in Geneva.
4. The Board ratified the ICP 2020 award winners.
5. Dr. Merry Bullock was reappointed as Secretary-General of ICP (term 2021-2023).

### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

#### **1. WELCOME and Roll Call**

Present:

Board Members: Naoki Asazuma (Director at Large, Japan), Swati Bajpai (Director at Large, India), Merry Bullock, Elaine Congress (Director at Large, USA), Polli Hagenars (Director at Large, Netherlands), Chris Mulchay (Director at Large, USA), Amina Muazzam (Director at Large, Pakistan), Natalie Porter (Past President, USA), Alison Santos (Director at Large, Brazil), Nancy Sidun (Treasurer, USA), Andy Simon (Director at Large, USA), Ada Sinacore (Director at Large, Canada), Josephine Tan (Interim President, Canada)

Additional members: Irma Barron (Finance Committee, USA), Machiko Fukuhara (Japan Regional Conference, Japan) , Mary Beth Kenkel (Chair, Awards Committee, USA), Roswith Roth (ICP Representative Vienna, Austria), Florence Denmark (ICP Representative at the UN New York, USA), Ann Marie O'Roark (Observer, USA)

Dr. Tan welcomed all to the call and facilitated introductions.

The Assembled participants held a moment of silence for deceased ICP member Paul Lloyd, Dr. Lloyd was Treasurer of ICP, was active the program "Share" (ICP members hosted others) and was active in many other ICP programs. There is also a testament in Dr. Lloyd's honor in the forthcoming ICP newsletter.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda

The Board approved the agenda as written

## 3. Approval of the July 2020 Minutes (sent under separate email)

The July 2020 minutes were approved as submitted.

## 4. Review of Follow-up from 2020 July Board Meeting

### 5. Review of the ICP Board Composition

With the appointment of two new Board Members, the ICP information on the web and in the Board Member listing in the Dropbox will be updated. New Board members will be reminded of the Dropbox for ICP.

New members include: Chris Mulchay (Director at Large), and Erinn Cameron (Student Representative to the Board).

## 6. Finances

### A. Treasurer's Report and Budget

The Treasurer reported on the first Finance Committee meeting. The mandate of the Finance Committee is to consider more long term investments for ICPs reserves. ICP finances have remained stable.

The Treasurer presented a proposed budget. She noted that expenses for 2020 will likely be under budget, as will income. The 2020 virtual conference will most likely mean that ICP will come in under budget. The proposed budget for 2021 does indicate a deficit budget (of \$3000), but traditionally this has been covered by profits from the annual conference.

**The Board voted to accept the 2021 preliminary budget.**

### B. Sponsorship Proposal ("Friends of ICP") (Simon)

#### Friends of ICP Proposal

##### Purpose

The *Friends of ICP* concept was started to welcome individuals and organizations that want to donate to ICP. This is consistent with creating means for generating financial support other than collecting membership dues. With less of a need to gather dues (and increase the number of members), ICP can focus on its mission and on projects that serve the mission.

- Dr. Simon proposed developing a "Friends of ICP" program.

There was broad discussion including

- whether a tax deduction will be possible for those organization that donate (yes, as a non-profit).
- how this project will relate to other arrangements with other organizations with whom ICP might have MOU relations
- The time limit of one year's donation

- How organizations would be acknowledged -this needs to be specified in the program procedures.

Ann Marie O’Roark noted that in the past a group of individuals donated sums to ICP and were provided with permanent membership. It was noted that they still have this status. This points out that there needs to be specification of how long one gift lasts.

#### **Final Motion:**

ICP will create a Friends of ICP Category for organizations who will donate consonant with the values and integrity of ICP. There will be a committee formed that will evaluate organizations and develop other procedures. This committee will request Board ratification for their procedures. The Board further agreed that ICP will recognize the amount of donation by some ranking system and that donors can donate to targeted projects.

The Board voted to develop the program

Next steps: Andy will send out a call for committee members to the membership.

The question of developing individual donation categories (which are more complicated) was deferred to the committee for a recommendation.

## **7. Membership**

**Overview:** Dr. Simon reported that ICP membership has been increasing, especially among students. An ICP student member, Nadia Meshkati, is assisting in the membership recording process so new members are receiving information more quickly.

Dr. Bullock noted that although there are many new members, there are also large numbers of past members who have not paid their current year’s dues. Retainment is also an issue. There was a question of whether ICP wanted to develop a membership for 5 years.

There was discussion of membership retainment strategies: multiple year renewal; letter from the president

### **Interest Groups**

Dr. Fukuhara reviewed her thoughts on the current role of the interest group coordinator, noting that interest group chairs were serving in that function. The Board agreed to retire the position of Interest Group Coordinator for the time being., and thanked Dr. Fukuhara for her dedicated work for ICP on behalf of its activities.

## **8. ICP Annual Conference-2020**

Dr. Porter reported on ICP2020 status. The conference committee meets weekly. The format is established:

As of 28 October the conference structure includes:

- 2 plenaries, 2 award talks, 4 symposia, 3 Lightning Talk sessions
- 39 posters; ICP Updates forthcoming (UN, Covid19, GNPHR)
- 9 Chat-Networking Cafes (this might get reduced)

- A town hall, awards ceremony
- Conference Budget – the intention is. To break even and registration fees are set very low

### **10. Japan Regional Meeting –**

Dr. Asazuma briefed the Board, The title of the Meeting is Social Justice, and Wellness from a Cross-Cultural/Interdisciplinary Perspective.

The planning group is restarting the preparation for the postponed Meeting, because of the COVID-19, with the consultation of Dr. Neil, Chair, Regional Meeting. Two Interest groups are participating in this Meeting: 1) Endangered People and Children Human Rights Summit (Workshops & discussion lead by Drs. Sandra Neil and Robert Silverberg, and 2) International Evidence based Scientific approach to Wellness (Presentation & discussion, Pilot study on Pandemic Survey lead by chair and co-sponsors, Drs. Ann Marie (chair), Machiko Fukuhara, Roswith Roth, Florence Denmark, Ana Guil, Sandra Neil, and Naoki Asazuma.

The organizing group is waiting to determine if the meeting will be face to face or virtual and anticipates this decision early in 2021.

Dr. Tan voiced her support for the Japan regional meeting and offered all of ICP's support. Given the amount of work and resources required in organizing a meeting, the possibility of combining the annual meeting with the regional meeting was raised. There was a suggestion that Dr. Tan (as this will be her presidential year meeting) engage in further discussion with the regional Japan committee about the feasibility of this becoming the annual meeting. It was agreed that any proposal would come to the next board meeting. Dr. Tan agreed to hold a meeting with the regional organizing committee.

### **13. Awards Committee**

Dr. Kenkel thanked the Board for their work in disseminating information about the awards and creating a great slate of candidates.

Fukuhara Award – Susan Nolan, Seton Hall University, USA

Frances Mullen Award – Roswith Roth, Austria

Denmark-Gunwald – Fanny Cheung, Hong Kong

Sukemune-Bain – Linus Chan, PhD candidate University of Montana, USA

**NEXT MEETING** – a Doodle poll will be forthcoming

The meeting was adjourned