

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2018

Officers:

President – Caron Harrang, LICSW, FIPA
President-Elect – Maxine Nelson, LICSW,
FIPA
Secretary/Treasurer – Maxine Nelson,
LICSW, FIPA
Director of Training – Dana Blue,
LICSW, FIPA

Directors:

David Jachim, PhD, FIPA
Community Member Director – John
Petrov
Community Member Director –
Michael Dougherty
Candidate Representative – Becky
McGuire, MS, LMHC

Administrative Staff:

Recording Secretary – Hollee Sweet

Present: Dana Blue, Michael Dougherty, Caron Harrang, David Jachim, Maxine Nelson,
John Petrov, Hollee Sweet

Absent: Becky McGuire

This face-to-face meeting was called at 10:20 am.

I. February minutes.

The February minutes were unanimously approved.

II. Secretary-Treasurer's report. Maxine Nelson reporting:

Maxine Nelson reported that NPSI has \$14,102 in checking, \$15,131 in savings, and \$26,659 in our investment account.

Maxine compared the accounts with previous years, and noted that in EBOR years, there is a significant increase in income.

Maxine reported that she will be meeting with JoAnn Mills (NPSI Advisory Council) in April regarding fundraising. Caron Harrang noted that she, Dana Blue and Maxine Nelson have prepared letters thanking Full Members and for their individual contributions each year. John Petrov suggesting adding hosting a party for donors. Dana Blue suggested reaching out to donors who contributed to the organization in relation to the Pre-EBOR 2014 Ari Livne concert, which was NPSI's inaugural fundraiser event.

Maxine proposed changing our procedure for collecting membership dues by making it possible to pay online. The Board discussed adding a small administrative fee (\$10) to cover Pay Pal and a late fee (\$25) to encourage members to pay in a timely manner. Michael Dougherty suggested rather than a late fee, NPSI should offer a discount if

received before a specified date. The cost for adding this feature is a one-time fee of \$465. A motion was made and unanimously approved to add this dues payment option.

Action: Hollee Sweet will direct Webmaster Donna Winter (Totera Web Systems) to go add this feature to the NPSI website.

Maxine proposed bifurcation of the Secretary and Treasurer roles to make it easier to find qualified applicants. Caron reminded the Board that this change will require a change to the Bylaws. The Board unanimously approved a motion to bifurcate the roles.

Action: Maxine Nelson will contact attorney David Schoolcraft to make the amendment to the Bylaws to bifurcate the Secretary and Treasurer positions.

III. Liaison Committee report. Caron Harrang and Maxine Nelson reporting:
Caron Harrang discussed the possibility of NAPsaC increasing dues in 2019 from \$5 to \$10. The increase would enhance the NAPsaC website, allow them to host conferences, and also support conference travel by officers. The NPSI Board supports the increase, which Caron will report to NAPsaC at the April 22, 2018 Board meeting.

Caron announced that Adriana Prengler has agreed to join the Liaison Committee in June 2018 and serve as second Director from NPSI on the CIPS Board of Directors. Maxine Nelson will become the primary Director on the CIPS and NAPsaC Boards. Caron will continue as Secretary and move into the second Director position on the NAPsaC Board.

Action: Caron will announce Adriana's new role on the Full Member listserv copy Becky McGuire who will share the news with the candidate group.

IV. EBOR report. Caron Harrang reporting:
Caron Harrang gave an update on the upcoming conference, including an overview of the conference schedule and details. She mentioned the increase this year in individual paper proposals owing to the appeal of the theme and effective marketing of the Call for Papers. Caron proposed that NPSI host a lunch meeting at EBOR inviting new members to join NPSI.

Maxine Nelson reported that SPSI will host a Pre-EBOR film event in the fall focused on the conference theme: "The Body as Psychoanalytic Object: Clinical Applications from Winnicott to Bion and Beyond." The event is being organized by Chris Keats who has invited Maxine to serve as a discussant.

V. Education Committee report. Dana Blue reporting:
Dana Blue announced that the Institute is hosting another graduation on Saturday, May 19 when Dave Parnes will present his graduation paper and become an IPA certified psychoanalyst.

Dana discussed the issue of succession for her role as Director of Training. David Jachim suggested the organization reengage psychoanalyst consultants Brian Robertson (CPS) and Ted Jacobs (APsaA) on the issue of succession as was done with good success on two previous occasions in 2011 and in 2013.

Caron Harrang recommended adding two Associate Directors of Training positions along with the Director of Training to provide support to the Director and facilitate succession. John Petrov suggested creating a flyer or brochure to detail specifications of Director of Training and Associate Directors positions including how much time is required for various tasks. Caron suggested reviewing this information at the next Education Committee and Faculty meeting.

The Education Committee has voted to invite faculty to join their meetings including discussion of and voting on proposed policies and procedures. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 3, 2018 (7:30 to 9:00 pm) at NPSI.

Action: Caron will contact Brian Robertson and Ted Jacobs to explore their availability to consult first with the NPSI ExCom (President, President-Elect and Director of Training) and then possibly with the membership in a face-to-face meeting.

VI. Board Development. All directors reporting:

Maxine Nelson and Caron Harrang reported that they have plans to meet with one or two individuals in the coming months to discuss the possibility of applying for Full Membership in the Society.

VII. *Selected Facts* Newsletter. Caron Harrang, David Jachim, and Maxine Nelson reporting:

Caron Harrang discussed the history of *Selected Facts*, and also that the newsletter needs a psychoanalyst to vet submissions going forward. The Board decided that essays and opinion pieces will be vetted by the Board prior to publication of each issue of the newsletter. Additionally, that the President should review and approve the full content of the newsletter prior to publication.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

VIII. The Board will next meet Wednesday, May 9th (via Zoom) at 6:30 pm.