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President's Message

During the course of our over fifty-year history, Division 20 has grown in size as well as in stature. The mini-convention on aging which was held during the recent APA convention in Chicago under the aegis of APA President and Division 20 Fellow Norman Abeles. Dr. Abeles focus throughout his term has been on aging. The excellent Division 20 programming (due to the efforts of Program Chair Jane Berry) resulted in a truly high profile for aging at this convention.

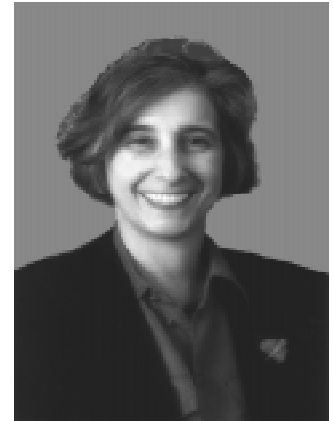
The coming year should also be a momentous one for Division 20 since the APA Ad Hoc Committee on the Issues of Aging will become a permanent Standing Committee. Selection of the six members to serve on the standing committee, which will report to the APA Public Interest Directorate, will be initiated in the near future. The creation of the Standing Committee is further recognition that aging is coming into the forefront in the field of psychology.

In addition, publicity in the public domain is sure

to come from the input APA will have in planning a Traveling Exhibit on Aging. This exhibit, slated to open in the year 2000 at the Museum of Science in Boston, will make the rounds to six other science museums. APA is just getting started in the planning process for its part of the exhibit, and you will be kept apprised of its progress.

Division 20 membership stands at close to 2000 and continues to increase. Our Membership Chair, Lisa McGuire, has devised a new Division 20 brochure, which is an excellent way to provide information for new members as well as being a great aid in recruitment efforts. APA is a huge organization but division membership makes it more personal. A large percentage of APA members are not members of any division. If you know of any APA members who have an interest in aging, please encourage them to join our division!

Also, I am happy to report that the Division's



Joan T. Erber
President, Division 20

finances are healthy thanks to outgoing treasurer, Cameron Camp. I am certain they will remain so in the hands of our new treasurer, Mary Ann Parris Stephens.

Education Chair, Cindy Berg, arranged an excellent symposium on teaching innovations in adult development at the Chicago convention. Any ideas for education

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programming at the 1998 convention are welcome. Also, the Education Committee is constantly updating the Instructional Page on the Division 20 Internet Home Page, which can be very helpful for those who are embarking upon teaching courses on Adult Development and Aging. Cindy and her committee will soon be conducting a mail survey in order to update the Division 20 brochures on *Guide to Doctoral Study in the Psychology of Adult Development and Aging*.

At the Executive Board meeting at APA, Continuing Education Chair, Sara Qualls, proposed that Division 20, which has APA sanction for offering continuing education (CE) credit, work jointly with Division 12, Section 2 (Clinical Geropsychology), to plan CE workshops throughout the year in various geographical locations. Sara explains more fully the nature and purpose of this collaboration in her report

in this newsletter. Demand for continuing education programming in aging is greater than ever as more and more professionals working with older adults need the necessary training. If you are interested in becoming involved with CE training or in having such training offered in your location, please contact Sara.

Thanks to Michael Marsiske, the Division 20 e-mail list is running smoothly. Let Michael know (marsiske@geroserver.iog.wayne.edu) if you want your name and address added to the list. E-mail is an excellent way to disseminate information to division membership, both quickly and efficiently.

Also, be sure to access the Division 20 World Wide Web site, also managed by Michael Marsiske (<http://www.iog.wayne.edu/apadiv20/apadiv20.htm>). Thanks to Michael's efforts, Division 20 has been in the forefront in making use of new technology to expand

communication.

Susan Krauss Whitbourne is the Division 20 Program Chairperson for the 1998 convention in San Francisco. Given Susan's lengthy experience with APA and with the division, I anticipate that the 1998 program will be outstanding, with something to offer all of our members. The Call for Programs was out in the September *Monitor*.

APA is publishing a series of volumes on the history of its divisions. These volumes are being edited by APA Division historian Don Dewsbury of the University of Florida. Volume 1 has already been published and Don is working on Volume 2. Betty Birren has undertaken the project of writing a chapter

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Has your address changed?

If you have moved and are not receiving your Division 20 Newsletter, **please contact the APA office at 1- (800) 374-2721**. Address changes can be effected only by APA; your Newsletter editors must use the addresses APA provides.

The Cutting Edge/Practitioner's Column

Present and Future Trends in Behavioral Healthcare for Older Adults

by Paula E. Hartman-Stein

As the millennium approaches, a crisis for behavioral healthcare looms on the horizon. Greater numbers of individuals are reaching the age of Medicare eligibility, and the absolute number of older adults is rising. Baby boomers are demanding more behavioral services for their elderly parents such as cognitive evaluations for long term planning, psychotherapy, and caregiver-support. In the year 2011, the baby boomers themselves will begin reaching Medicare eligibility—right at the point when, according to economic predictions, the Medicare system will become insolvent.

The \$64,000+ question is this: What changes are necessary in the healthcare system so that the behavioral needs of older adult consumers can be met? My recently published book, *Innovative Behavioral Healthcare for Older Adults: A Guidebook for Changing Times* (1998) attempts to address solutions to the challenge of delivering quality services within the context of limited financial resources. Experts from varied backgrounds, who are pragmatic in approach and who demonstrate critical thinking about the future of practice, contributed to this volume.

In this article I summarize parts of the book's last chapter that includes recommendations for both practice and research that can be implemented now as well as some predictions for the future when healthcare delivery models may be prepaid as in capitated systems. The evolving roles for psychologists in the future have direct implications for training programs of today.

Recommendations for the present

To survive the inherent changes of increasingly managed Medicare, clinicians must review and possibly alter their assessment and treatment strategies. The practice standards developed by the group, Psychologists in Long Term Care, provide basic guidelines and a solid base for practicing in an institutional setting.

In all practice settings clinicians must use relevant outcome measures that include several dimensions,

including mood, functional status, cognitive state, and quality of life indicators when indicated. Researchers need to develop more appropriate outcome measures for frail older adults than simple Global Assessment of Functioning scores typically required by managed care companies. An increasingly important research focus is the medical-cost offset of providing specialty geriatric behavioral health services. Although the pendulum may swing back to quality care and the relief of human suffering as primary goals, economics drive the system right now, and psychologists need to evaluate how we can save overall healthcare dollars through our services.

Neuropsychological services can be cost-effective in long term care planning if referrals are based upon specific criteria, and the information obtained directly relates to care planning decisions. Lichtenberg has developed a decision tree that assesses three factors: the patient's basic level of cognition as assessed by a five item screening test, the patient's and family's awareness of cognitive problems, and the degree to which the patient performs ADLs without supervision. Neuropsychological evaluations will be acceptable within managed care if they are brief, no more than two to three hours.

While the traditional Medicare fee-for-service system is still in place, clinicians can begin to monitor their own therapy practice patterns by contracting with clients for specific blocks of time—4 to 8 sessions, for example, at the end of which progress is evaluated and summarized. Individual care can and should be supplemented with group treatment, whenever feasible. Whenever the clinician or those in his/her group practice can identify 3 to 8 clients with similar problems, group treatment should be encouraged as a supplemental service or as the main modality of treatment.

About one-third of clients can be successfully treated with such empirically-validated protocols, according to Cummings. To be as up to date as possible, practitioners should use treatment protocols or at least elements of them in their therapy. Graduate training should also include information about these protocols in their curriculum.

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on Division 20 history. If any of you have recollections of division activities or accomplishments that you think would be of interest for this chapter, please contact me by e-mail. I will collect your messages and forward them to Betty.

Speaking of publishing, our new newsletter editor, Harvey Sterns, and co-editor, Martin Murphy, both of The University of Akron (Department of Psychology and Institute for Life-Span Development and Gerontology) should be producing a terrific division newsletter.

Division 20 will continue to sponsor its excellent student award program in the coming year. Liz Stine-Morrow and Tom Hess will again chair the Student Awards Committee, which has been so generously funded by the Retirement Research Foundation. Liz and Tom will be joined by Robin L. West (member-at-large) and Leslie Frazier, who will be taking over the student awards program the following year.

In addition to student awards, the division sponsors an Early Career Achievement Award which has been generously funded by Springer Publishing Co. It is not too early to start thinking of individuals who might be encouraged to apply for this award. Also, note the announcement in this issue for nominations for the Division 20 Distinguished Contribution Award. I look forward to receiving names of individuals who are strong candidates for this award. Finally, Ellen Bouchard Ryan will again chair the Fellowship Committee. She will be joined by Neil Charness, who will chair the Fellowship Committee in the following year. Division 20 has been highly successful in obtaining APA's approval of its recommendations for fellowship status.

We are off to a great start for the coming year. I am truly honored to be serving as your president, especially at a time when aging is receiving so much attention. I feel fortunate to be working with such an excellent executive board as well as members who will provide suggestions along the way.

I have every expectation that Division 20 will continue its steady growth in membership. Equally important, though, I encourage those of you who are presently members to provide me with input on the various issues and programs that will occur in the coming year. My e-mail address is Erber@Servax.FIU.Edu and my phone number is (305)348-3377. I look forward to hearing from members at any time during the year.

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Future trends and recommendations

Under capitated or prepaid systems of healthcare delivery, psychologists must collaborate more than ever with physicians. The primary care physician may be the "client" in settings where the behavioral specialist will be required to give quick, on the spot advice to the primary care doctor who has about 8 minutes of time for a patient visit. Some geropsychologists will become consultants to primary care groups rather than practice with individual patients. The psychologist can do brief cognitive screenings to help determine when more in-depth evaluations would prove helpful to care planning. Psychologists can learn to do very brief interventions, similar to the behavioral activation model accepted by primary care providers in busy practices.

Geropsychologists need to be aware of the federally-funded PACE programs, Programs for the all-inclusive care of the elderly, that are sprinkled throughout the United States. The goal of these programs is to keep the frail older adult from being institutionalized. It is the most cutting-edge and all-encompassing treatment program described in the book. Unfortunately, psychologists are not part of the core team of PACE, an opportunity lost, in my opinion. However, there are roles for psychologists within PACE, as consultants and trainers.

Under capitated models of service delivery, providers are encouraged to develop preventive models of care. As an example, Cummings' chapter in the book describes new research data that demonstrates the medical cost-offset of an intervention for newly widowed spouses.

Under capitated models clinicians will be forced to explore new treatment options, one of which is bibliotherapy. Forrest Scogin describes his research regarding the effectiveness and applicability of such an approach with older adult out-patients.

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APA Council Report

August 14 and 17, 1998

John C. Cavanaugh
University of Delaware
(substituting for Anderson D. Smith)

The news from the APA Council this session was largely excellent for Division 20. Most important was that after years of dedicated effort by many, and the specific work of the Ad Hoc Committee on Issues of the Older Adult, Council approved the Continuing Committee on Aging. This means that within the Public Interest Directorate, there will be a committee whose charge it is to advocate older adults' issues and to ensure that other entities in APA are sensitive to older adults' concerns. In terms of ensuring passage in Council, special thanks are due to M. Powell Lawton, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee (other members included Michael Duffy, Margaret Gatz, Manuel Miranda, Denise Park, Michael Smyer, Barbara Yee, and Steven Zarit). Denise Park made several contacts with other Council Representatives, and George Taylor, recently elected to the APA Board of Directors, helped make connections before and during the Council meeting. Without doubt, APA President Norman Abeles' emphasis on aging helped assure passage. Membership on the Continuing Committee will be determined through a nomination and selection process coordinated by the Public Interest Directorate.

Council also voted to increase its size by 48 seats, which could provide the Division an additional seat on Council in the future. How these additional seats will be filled will be based on how the members allocate their 10 votes for Council each year. This potential change will be submitted to the general membership for a vote within the year.

In the coming year, those of you who have papers accepted by APA journals or who will be presenting at APA conferences will receive an information sheet concerning conflict of interest. As a result of the Council vote, APA will leave the decision about when and how to disclose a real or apparent conflict of interest up to each individual. You should be hearing more about this in the near future from APA.

The revision process of the Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing will continue through one more draft, which will be disseminated by spring 1998. The unresolved issues include ensuring full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, along with several concerns raised by Divisions.

On the down side, as you undoubtedly know by now, APA dues are increasing by \$20.00. However, this increase will be offset somewhat by a concomitant increase in the journal credit of \$5.00. The Division 20 assessment will remain at \$8.00.

Perhaps the biggest disappointment at the Council meeting was the vote to institute an immediate moratorium on any petitions for the establishment of a specialty or proficiency. APA's Commission on the Recognition of Specialties and Proficiencies in Professional Psychology (CRSPPP), the body responsible for reviewing such petitions, argued that the appropriate use of the term "clinical" as a modifier must be resolved prior to any additional proposals coming forward bearing the term. Although the review process for the proposal to make Clinical Geropsychology a proficiency was well underway, the moratorium includes our proposal, thereby temporarily halting the process at the Council level. Although the goal is to settle the issue by August 1998, it is unclear at this point whether this will indeed happen. It does appear that the proposal will be discussed by CRSPPP at their fall meeting. We will, of course, keep you informed of the status of the proposal and the general discussions.

Bulletin Board

Distinguished Contribution Award:

Nominations are open for Division 20's 1998 Distinguished Contribution Award.

Nominations should include one or more supporting letters and the nominee's c.v. Nominees should be contacted and give their consent before the nomination is made. The deadline is January 15, 1998.

Please send nominations and associated materials to Joan Erber, Department of Psychology, Florida International University, University Park Campus, Miami, FL 33199.

1998 Hyde Graduate Student Research Grants:

Through the generosity of Janet Hyde, royalties from her book will be used to provide grants for four doctoral student feminist research projects, each up to \$500. A panel of psychologists will evaluate the proposals on the basis of theoretical and methodological soundness, relevance to feminist goals, applicant's training and qualifications to conduct the research, and feasibility of completing the project. Grant recipients are expected to submit a summary or progress report within 18 months of receipt of a grant. These grant awards are sponsored by Division 35, the Division of the Psychology of Women of the American Psychological Association.

Requirements for submission of proposals :

1. A cover sheet including title of proposal, name of investigator, address, phone, fax numbers, and e-mail address;
2. A 100-word abstract;
3. A proposal (5-page, double-spaced maximum) organized around: purpose, theoretical rationale, and procedures;
4. A 1-page statement of relevance to feminist goals and importance to the field.
5. A faculty sponsor's recommendation, including a statement of why the research cannot be funded by other sources;
6. An itemized budget and amount requested specified (if additional funds are needed to ensure completion of the

project, please specify sources);
7. The applicant's vita.

Deadlines: February 1 and July 1. Send 5 copies of the above to:

Sue Rosenberg Zalk, Ph.D. Graduate School
and University Center
City University of New York
33 West 42nd Street
New York, New York 10036
phone: (212) 642-2107

24th International Congress of Applied Psychology

The 24th International Congress of Applied Psychology, sponsored by the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), will take place at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel and Towers on August 9-14, 1998. Celebrating the accomplishments of the 20th century and looking toward developments anticipated in the 21st century, the theme of the Congress is *The Challenge for Applied Psychology: Bridging the Millennia*. The American Psychological Association (APA) is hosting the Congress, marking the first time that this prestigious international meeting will convene in the United States.

All attendees at the Congress will need to complete the Registration Form and remit the registration fee, in U.S. dollars, to:

24th International Congress of Applied Psychology
c/o American Psychological Association
Attn: Congress/Accounting
750 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002-4242
United States

Joint registration for the 24th Congress and 106th APA Annual Convention (Saturday, August 15-18, 1998) may register (advance only) for both meetings by choosing the joint registration option on the registration form. The joint registration fee of \$395 U.S. offers a substantial savings on both the Congress registration fee and the APA registration fee. Additional information on the APA Convention will be available in 1998 in the March-May 1998 issues of the "American Psychologist" or from the APA Convention Office.

Videos:

Kristi Multhaup and her team have produced a MAJOR revision of the Division 20 Education Committee's Video listing. This is an unreviewed listing of available videos on topics such as general aging, biological aging, caregiving, death and dying, health, work/retirement, cultural diversity, elder abuse, intergenerational issues, respite, and brain diseases. For instructors using videos, this is a major resource.

You can access this resource at <http://www.iog.wayne.edu/apa/div20/vidlist.htm>.

New Book:

Designing for an Aging Population: Ten Years of Human Factors/ Ergonomics Research (1997) Edited by Wendy A. Rogers, published by the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society.

Available by contacting the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society at (310)-394-1811 or hfes@compuserve.com.

Division 20 Archives:

The History Oversight Committee of APA is currently preparing a "Directory of Divisional Archives and Historical Resources." They have asked me to provide information regarding such archives for Division 20. I assume that there are such archives out there, some that are perhaps more informal than others.

I would appreciate it if you could send me information regarding any archives of which you are aware so that they can be included in the directory. I would need some description of the nature of the archive as well as its location. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Please respond to Tom Hess at hess@poe.coe.ncsu.edu.

Cancer Information Request:

Richard Suinn, APA president-elect, is planning to focus on cancer during his term. He would like the names and addresses of psychologists in the division who may be doing creative work with any aspect of cancer.

His phone number is 970-491-1351 and his e-mail address is Suinn@Lamar.Colostate.edu.

Undergraduate Minors:

The Life-span Developmental Area of the Department of Psychology at Wayne State University is experiencing substantial growth of interest in our adult development and aging emphases. We are currently considering whether we should develop and offer an undergraduate minor in Gerontology/Adult Development and Aging.

To do this, we would be interested in knowing how OTHER programs have organized their undergraduate minors in Gerontology/Adult Development and Aging. If you have such a program, and would be willing to share program information, please get in touch with Gisela Labouvie-Vief (vief@gopher.science.wayne.edu) or Michael Marsiske (marsiske@iog.wayne.edu).

Thank you in advance for any information.

Mental Retardation and Aging

The Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) on Aging with Mental Retardation is a part of the Institute on Disability and Human Development (IDHD) in the College of Associated Health Professions, the University of Illinois at Chicago. Dr. Tamar Heller is the RRTC director, and Dr. Alan Factor is coordinator of training and dissemination. Other universities collaborating with UIC's RRTC are The University of Akron, Central State University, the University of Cincinnati, Indiana University, the University of Minnesota, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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Continuing Education in Geropsychology

Last year, an Ad Hoc Continuing Education (CE) Committee was constituted from the membership of Division 20 and Division 12-Section 2 (Clinical Geropsychology) to do long range planning for CE in geropsychology. At APA in Chicago in August, a proposal submitted by an Ad Hoc CE Committee was approved by the Boards of Division 20 and Section 2. The proposal calls for a *Geropsychology CE Committee* to be formed that will be co-chaired by the persons in charge of CE for Division 20 and Section 2. Other members of the committee will include a representative from each organization, one from Psychologists in Long Term Care, and a student. Currently, Division 20 has CE granting status from APA. That status will be maintained, and Section 2 will work collaboratively through this structure.

The focus of the CE Geropsychology Committee will be on encouraging the development of high quality CE at the regional level. The committee will be encouraging institutions with the capacity to offer CE programs related to geropsychology to seek APA CE credits through Division 20. The conferences offered by Peter Lichtenberg and colleagues at Wayne State University in 1996 and 1997 (for which Division 20 granted APA CE credit) serve as a model program.

Criteria for conferences and workshops that the Geropsychology CE Committee would sanction were developed by the Ad Hoc Committee, and approved by the boards of Division 20 and Section 2 of Division 12. Those criteria include:

- written request for sponsorship must be submitted to Div 20 CE Chair (a list of specific information needed can be obtained from the chair)
- requests for sponsorship must be made prior to any public reference to that sponsorship
- objectives of the conference must be consistent with the goals of the Div 20 and Section 2 CE initiative
- presentations must be consistent with goals
- presenters must have demonstrated expertise in content areas included in their presentation as evidenced by advanced training and professional accomplishments in geropsychology

-- curriculum must be consistent with the current literature in geropsychology

Under this plan, the Geropsychology CE Committee will shift its focus from sponsoring one annual workshop prior to APA convention and, instead, work to encourage and sanction CE activities throughout the year in all parts of the U.S. Indeed, it may often be the case that a pre-convention workshop will not be offered, depending on the local need and options for a local co-sponsoring organization. For CE activities that are initiated by other organizations who request CE sponsorship by Division 20, the Division 20 CE Chair retains responsibility for meeting APA criteria for sponsorship and thus serves as the first point of contact for anyone interested in offering APA CE credit through this system.

The rationale for this change is three-fold. First, collaboration between Division 20 and Division 12-Section 2 minimizes overlap and allows for a coordinated effort between the two organizations most prepared to offer high quality geropsychology programs. Secondly, the demand for CE in geropsychology is growing and requires intensive development of learning opportunities across the country. If breadth and depth of training are to be available to all psychologists, regional workshops that are overseen by experts will be needed. Finally, the amount of time required to run a CE workshop in the convention city, without local institutional infrastructure, is extraordinary. The pre-convention workshops have primarily drawn a local audience, requiring intensive local marketing efforts. Because the convention rotates among cities, each year the CE effort must start from scratch to identify a local host and a local marketing strategy. Compared to the benefits of developing a regional network of providers, this appears to be an expensive investment with much more limited payoffs.

Anyone interested in offering a geropsychology educational program for which Division 20 CE might be appropriate should contact Sara Qualls for more information:

Phone: (719)-262-4151

Email: squalls@mail.uccs.edu

Please be aware that the CE Committee needs to be involved with the conference from the earliest stages of planning in order to consider CE sponsorship.

1998 Division 20 RRF Student Research Awards

The Division of Adult Development and Aging (Division 20) of the American Psychological Association is sponsoring a series of awards for student research. Research on any topic related to psychological issues in adult development and aging is eligible for these awards. Funding is from the Retirement Research Foundation, which was established by John D. McArthurin 1978 to support programs, research, and public policy studies to improve the quality of life of older Americans.

Awards for Completed Research

Awards will be made for completed research at undergraduate (\$250), graduate/master's (\$300), graduate/doctoral (\$400), and postdoctoral (\$500) levels.

Funding Awards for Research Proposals

Awards will be made to fund proposed research at the undergraduate (\$500), graduate/master's (\$750), graduate/doctoral (\$1250), and postdoctoral (\$1500) levels. Funded research proposals are expected to be completed during the 1998-1999 academic year. To be eligible for one of these awards, the student must initiate and conduct the project under the supervision of a professor or research advisor; the applicant is expected to be the principal investigator on the project.

Submissions for graduate/doctoral, and postdoctoral awards go to Dr. Elizabeth A. L. Stine-Morrow, UNH; submissions for undergraduate and graduate/master's awards go to Dr. Thomas M. Hess, NCSU. One submission per student will be reviewed each year. The deadline for receipt of submissions is May 22, 1998.

Send request for Instructions and Cover Sheet to:

Elizabeth A. L. Stine-Morrow
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Conant Hall
University of New Hampshire
Durham, NH 03824
(603) 862-3806
eals@christa.unh.edu.

Please specify whether you need materials for completed research or research proposal awards.

Committee on Women in Psychology Report

by Rosemary Blieszner, Division 20 Liaison

The Committee on Women in Psychology has established a listserv to foster better communication with the division liaisons.

They recently announced the 1998 Janet Hyde Graduate Student Research Grants program, sponsored by Division 35 (Psychology of Women). Awards of \$500 will support doctoral-level feminist research projects. Deadlines are Feb. 1 and July 1. Contact Sue Rosenberg Zalk, City University of New York, (212)-642-2107.

CWP is preparing a document on procedures for getting involved in APA governance.

The Women's Educational Equity Act Equity Resource Center, funded by the U.S. Department of Education, now has an on-line resource and referral service at <http://www.edc.org/WomensEquity/>.

The National Women's Studies Association will hold a conference, "Foundations for the Twenty-first Century: Scholarship, Activism, Community" in Oswego, NY from June 10 to 14, 1998. An embedded conference, "Women's Rights Around the World: Past, Present, and Future" will also be held. Contact NWSA 98 at ecrose@nevada.edu or fax to 702-895-0850 regarding the main conference and VIVIEN_ROSE@NPS.GOV for the embedded conference.

Minutes for Division 20 Executive Committee Meeting

American Psychological Association
Friday, August 15, 1997 8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.
Palmer House Hilton

Present: Ron Abeles, Cindy Berg, Jane Berry, Cameron Camp, John Cavanaugh, Joan Erber, Karen Hooker, Peter Lichtenberg, Lisa McGuire, Sara Honn Qualls, Mary Ann Parris-Stephens, Liz Stine-Morrow, Rachel Whitmer, Sue Whitbourne.

At 8:03 John Cavanaugh called the meeting to order. Minutes from November, 1996 meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report

There was discussion of who would take over the Division 20 newsletter—Harvey Sterns has agreed to do so, but requested more money in the budget for the newsletter.

There was discussion over funding to produce the Doctoral Guide and some money was shifted from Continuing Education to support production and distribution of the new Guide.

There is currently \$20,100 in our account. Discussion ensued about line items in the budget. A motion was made to approve the budget of \$20,150. The motion was seconded and passed with a unanimous vote.

Our surplus is invested in APA at 4.75%. There was some discussion about whether other avenues of investment should be investigated (e.g., CDs). The consensus was to leave the money in the money market now, and perhaps revisit this issue at the Board meeting in November.

There were questions and some discussion about availability of equipment to support computer presentations for next year's meeting. The sentiment was that Divisions should put pressure on APA to make such equipment available.

Report from Nina Leavitt, Director for Education and Public Policy

There were great advocacy efforts for increased funding for education and training under the Higher Education and Authorization Act. Advocates are trying to get more funding for graduate students for science and practice. Much progress has been made. Specifically, psychology will now be eligible for such funding and "behavioral science" will be mentioned wherever "social science" is mentioned in the legislation.

Advocates are focusing their efforts on work-study programs that are worth billions of dollars. The traditional recipients of such funds have been undergraduate students, but they are advocating that these funds be eligible for graduate students and for practicum placement as well. The goal is to encourage more funds being made available to graduate students. At the beginning of the session there was no advocacy for graduate students as there was a big push for getting people into college and for increased funding for underserved areas and populations. A summary of Education Advocacy Highlights was distributed.

John reported on Council issues (Andy Smith is in Australia so John represented him).

a. The most important news is that the recommendation for a permanent Committee on Aging within APA passed unanimously. There will be 6 people serving on this Committee and details as to how people will be chosen to serve on this Committee are being worked out. It is crucial for our Division to keep advocating to be certain that Division 20 has input on who gets on that Committee.

b. Conflict of interest disclosure statement—APA members will be encouraged to disclose information that could be construed as a conflict of interest in reporting of research.

c. Anything created by Divisions should contain a statement that the views expressed are not necessarily the views of APA.

d. Therapists conducting therapy involving issues of sexual orientation need to get informed consent from their clients.

e. The number of seats on Council will be increased by 48 seats. If the vote goes like it did this year it is likely that we will gain one seat in Council. We will need to institute a mechanism for filling this second seat. Now is the time to begin thinking about how to revise the bylaws so that we can put the proposed procedure out for vote to all Division 20 members.

f. There will be an increase in APA dues by \$20, and an increase in journal credit by \$5. The net increase will be \$15 for people who buy journals.

g. The American Psychological Foundation Gold Medal award to Raymond Cattell has been placed on hold, pending investigation of his writings on race. A panel has been appointed to investigate, and he will be given due process.

h. The application for a new specialty area is pending. There will likely be debate over whether it is called "health psychology" or "clinical health psychology".

Report from Pat Kobor, Director of Science Policy

Increase in funds have benefited behavioral and social sciences; each committee in the House and Senate recommended an increase (6% and 7.5%, respectively). This is a tribute to how strongly people in Congress and Senate feel about research. However, with the balanced budget amendment there is concern about how this affects other offices. NSF has a tighter budget, as does DOD, but we would like to see a variety of sources for funding be available to psychologists.

A Science Advocacy Activities of APA's Public Policy Office was distributed. The Fellow funded for this year is Margaret Huyck. Pat encouraged applications to OBSSR for a year (it is a good way to learn how NIH works). Science advocacy pays for the stipend.

Report on the Science Directorate from Virginia Holt and Bill Howell, Executive Director for Science

a. The Science Directorate is beginning a collaborative working relationship with the museum of science in Boston. The exhibit on aging would be in development through 2000 and then travel. Gretchen Jennings, director of exhibits for APA, is working on this project in conjunction with Norm Abeles.

b. Bill Howell is resigning at the end of the year. Richard McCarty, Chair of the Psychology Department at University of Virginia, has been named as his replacement. Richard will be officially appointed Jan. 1, but will complete academic year and go to Washington in May. He will attend all meetings from Jan. – May, so a smooth transition should take place.

c. John expressed personal appreciation to Bill Howell and thanked him for his years of dedicated service.

Committee Reports

John thanked Jane Berry and Sara Honn Qualls for their extensive and cooperative efforts planning this year's program. With the miniconvention, this is the most programming on aging at APA ever!

Jane Berry submitted the program chair report. Sue Whitbourne is program chair next year. In order to assure continuity for program chairs, it was suggested that there should always be a co-chair. Better coordination between award groups was also suggested, as this year there were: 1) Poster award from Div. 20; 2) Retirement Research Foundation awards; and 3) Travel awards. There was recognition of the need to work out the logistics so students can easily apply for one or more of these awards.

Jacqelyn Gentry, Director of the Public Interest Directorate, has been working on the Ad Hoc Committee on Aging. Since this will now be a permanent Committee within APA they will be hiring a full time staff person for this Committee. They will soon be sending out announcements for this new position. This person will work closely with Div. 20. A subcommittee of the existing ad hoc committee will select the membership (6 members on the new permanent committee) in conjunction with Div. 20 input. The members will be appointed by the President on the first round for term of 1, 2, or 3 years. After the initial year, the term length for all committee members will be 3 years.

The Continuing Education report was given by Sara Honn Qualls. Sara raised the important question of how our Division can best provide for the training needs of people all around the country. Div. 20 already has CE granting status. Div. 12 Section 2 is working closely with us. They have established criteria for deciding if Div. 20/ Div. 12 (2) should sponsor local conferences. We could sponsor regional sites for CE in cooperation with Div. 12 section 2, and perhaps move away from offering the preconvention workshops (which are logistically difficult). The motion to explore this option was approved, seconded, and carried unanimously.

Barry Edelstein reported on the CRISP application status. It was submitted but we haven't yet heard whether or not it has been approved. The recommendations of the Clinical Geropsychology task force and Long Term Care taskforce will be published in *The Gerontologist* under Practice Concepts.

The Education Committee report was given by Cindy Berg. Cindy is updating the Guide to Doctoral Study in the Psychology of Adult Development and Aging. There was a request that Human Development programs also be included in this Guide. There was discussion about whether Div. 20 should underwrite the cost of sending out multiple copies of the Guide, to libraries and other institutions who request it. The Guide will be made available on the web.

Lisa McGuire distributed the Membership report. We are continuing to grow as a Division, with especially high growth in the student membership category. Div. 20 brochures have been updated and printed.

Div. 20 Social events at APA

Sunday night 50th anniversary gala dance at Sheraton Chicago Ballrooms 6 and 7.

Div. 20 social hour at the Sheraton after Birren's talk.

The Cutting Edge continued from page 4.

New roles for geropsychologists

Doctorally trained clinicians who specialize in treating the elderly will become supervisors of master's degree prepared clinicians and psychologist who are seeking added qualifications in geropsychology.

Treatment protocols will be available in the future, but two-thirds of clients will not fit into these protocols and will require the skill and supervision of a doctorally trained clinician.

Geropsychologists and geriatric social workers will be instrumental in quality assurance in Medicare risk-based HMO's.

As increasing numbers of agencies develop home healthcare services, behavioral specialists will find more opportunities to become staff trainers and to play a role in quality assurance for home-based geriatric care management.

Geriatric mental health experts will be involved in the design of service delivery in capitation models for the care of older adult patients.

Hope for the future

As financial constraints affect practice patterns, it is easy to become discouraged about the future of providing quality behavioral healthcare to older adults. Practitioners, researchers, and academicians alike can choose to see this chaotic time as an opportunity to design and implement innovative methods that can ensure not only the survival of programs for this nation's older adults but also the growth of meaningful programs that enhance successful aging.

NIH Training

Culture, Health and Human Development Training Opportunity (Participants fully funded by National Institutes of Health) University of Connecticut, May 13-21, 1998.

A 9-day interdisciplinary research training workshop on Culture, Health, and Human Development will be held in Mystic, Connecticut, in May, 1998. This workshop will provide for 20 social/behavioral and biomedical scientists in a formative stage of their careers:

- (1) an appreciation of the role of culture in regulating healthy development;
- (2) a theoretical framework for understanding culture, health, and human development which they can apply to their own topical interests;
- (3) sufficient familiarity with interdisciplinary research methods to engage in collaborative projects; and
- (4) elementary skill in the use of selected cultural methodologies applicable to a variety of research problems in health and human development.

Theory and research techniques will be drawn from the fields of psychology, anthropology, public health, and human biology. A distinguished faculty includes H. Bernal, J. Boster, W. P. Handwerker, S. Harkness, R. L. Harwood, G. W. Ryan, J. F. Stallings, C. M. Super, T. S. Weisner, and C. M. Worthman. Participation is fully funded by the National Institutes of Health and includes travel, lodging, books, supplies, and meals for all participants.

Advanced graduate and post-doctoral students and junior faculty may apply by sending (1) a curriculum vitae, (2) a 200-300 word explanation of their research interests, background, and goals, and (3) a brief letter of recommendation from their department head, advisor, or senior colleague to: Culture, Health, and Human Development Research Workshop, School of Family Studies, University of Connecticut, Box U-58, Storrs, CT 06269 USA. Selection of applicants will begin January 21.

From Our Past

Sidney L. Pressey, Ohio State University, Founding President of Division 20, 1946-1947, wrote the following excerpt in 1967 for A History of Psychology in Autobiography edited by Edwin G. Boring.

“Like most applied psychologists I was sympathetic and did all I could to foster the organization of the American Association of Applied Psychology before the Second World War. I urged friends to join and set up a section on educational psychology. Many were moving toward the American Education Research Association. Of that section I was chairman during the war. However, psychology then again became greatly interested in applications, and I was sympathetic with Yerkes’s effort to bring the two associations back together but with such reorganization as would meet the needs which had caused the fission. In 1944-45, I was a member of both the governing board of the AAAP and the council of APA and appointed to a joint committee to consider proposals for again having one association but composed of divisions giving recognition to the many types of work then evident in the total field of psychology. After many meetings, essentially the present organization of APA was arrived at. I then did my best, as the one person on both Board and Council, to obtain approval by these groups and then a vote at the business meetings of both associations. After some uncertainties all this was done. For several years thereafter, efforts (which I opposed) were made to reduce drastically the number of divisions, but all failed. And as already mentioned, I initiated the first division (on maturity and old age) thereafter added- thus trying out the procedure for such additions.”

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We wish to acknowledge that the above materials were made available from the Archives of the History of American Psychology, The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio 44325.

In the Present

Are you interested in graduate or undergraduate syllabi, textbooks, or movies? Do you need an e-mail address for someone in the Division? Are you a clinician who needs a resource guide? Are you looking for a job? Want to get Vitality for Life in your life?

Visit the Division 20 web page!

It really is good. The page is located at <http://www.iog.wayne.edu/apadiv20/apadiv20.htm>. It is hosted by Wayne State University; Michael Marsiske and his group maintain the page.

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Note from the Editor and Co-Editor

This is our first issue of the Newsletter. We thank Roger Morrell for his help with the Newsletter transition from Ann Arbor to Akron.

We also thank everyone who contributed to this issue. Our job is easy when there is good content to edit. If you would like to contribute to an upcoming issue, please send the information to Editor Sterns at hssterns@uakron.edu or Co-Editor Murphy at mmurphy@uakron.edu.

Division 20 business is, of course, a priority for publication. We also encourage short provocative pieces to add some "jazz" to the Newsletter. Announcements of general interest are very appropriate for the Newsletter; please be sure to include contact persons and deadlines when appropriate.

Generally, our role is not to advertise specific graduate programs or specific job openings. Given U.S. mail regulations, we also need to avoid explicitly political activity.

We look forward to editing the Newsletter. Please send content.

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