

Notes from SSCP Board Call

Time and Date: Wednesday August 27, 2:00-3:00 pm (Eastern Time Zone)

Conference Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300, Participant Access Code: 948357#

Board members present: Bethany Teachman (President, bteachman@virginia.edu); Mitch Prinstein (President-elect, mitch.prinstein@unc.edu); Michelle Craske (Past President, craske@psych.ucla.edu); Lauren Alloy (Member at Large, lalloy@temple.edu); Stewart Shankman (Secretary-Treasurer, stewarts@uic.edu); Sara Bufferd (Newsletter Editor, SBufferd@csusm.edu); Victoria Smith (Student Representative, vsmith@umd.edu); Ben Hankin (Member at Large, ben.hankin@psy.du.edu); Doug Mennin (Representative to Div 12, dmennin@hunter.cuny.edu).

Board members absent: Rosanna Breaux (Student Representative, rbreaux@psych.umass.edu)

I. Greetings (check if there are any CONSENT items that someone wants to discuss)

**Remind date for fall meetings: Monday at 11 am EST on Sept. 22, Oct. 13, Nov. 17, Dec. 15

**Note: Action items to be discussed during the call include Reports d, e, Awards III b, and New Business a, d, e, f

II. Reports

a. Secretary/Treasurer – Stew Shankman

Report:

-CONSENT: Past month financial activity

1. EXPENSES: -\$4.60 (Div12 fee);
2. INCOME: \$415
3. PENDING: UNC training grant (-\$1500)
4. BANK BALANCE on 8/20/2014: \$26,986.93

b. Membership Issues – Dave Smith/Stewart Shankman

Report: No report submitted.

c. External Nominations Committee – Ben Hankin (committee members: Bonnie Spring, Sherryl Goodman, Sheri Johnson)

Report:

-CONSENT: External nominations committee has predominantly focused on identifying an excellent clinical scientist who is interested and available to be nominated to participate in APA's Committee on Accreditations. The Committee identified numerous strong candidates. However, to date, all of the candidates have declined to be considered for nomination to COA. The Committee is still actively working on this and contacting strong clinical scientists so that one can be nominated for this important position. Additionally, we continue to seek all input and suggestions on other awards and committees for whom we can nominate excellent clinical scientists. Please contact Ben Hankin with suggestions for any individuals who could be nominated for specific awards.

d. Students' Website/Listserv/Internship/Other Issues –Victoria Smith & Rosanna Breaux

Report:

1. DISCUSS: Outstanding SSCP Student Award: Our first Outstanding SSCP Student Researcher Award is now accepting applicants. Information about this and the other Outstanding SSCP Student Awards can be accessed at: <http://sscpstudent.blogspot.com/p/student-awards.html>. The deadline for submitting an application is September 15. This award is intended to recognize outstanding graduate

students who are providing exceptional contributions to the science of clinical psychology. One student will be selected based upon his/her research contributions to the field. We have sent out a call for applicants on the SSCP Student listserv, and the call was sent to the main listserv to encourage faculty to have their students apply. Notably, Alan Kraut saw the call and offered that APS would provide a 1-year free membership to our winner and runner-up(s).

Note – Board members can nominate their students but cannot serve on review committees that would present a conflict of interest.

2. CONSENT: Student Journal Club: We have recently completed our 6th and final week of the Summer Student Journal Club. Students presented articles by providing a brief summary and discussion questions. Discussions took place over email, with variable amounts of response week by week. The articles, summaries and discussion questions have been posted on our website.

3. CONSENT: Internship Q&A: Andrea Niles, the listserv facilitator, has just collected questions from the student listserv to send to our three discussants: Jamie Zinberg, M.A. (Administrator and Treatment Director, CAPPs at Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Behavior at UCLA), Robert Sokol, Ph.D. (Director, White River Junction VA Medical Center), and Amy West, Ph.D., (Director, Pediatric Intervention Research in Affect Regulation and Mood Disorders (PIRAMD), University of Illinois at Chicago). The answers from the discussants will be compiled and sent out to the student listserv and posted on the website in early September.

e. SCP (D12) Representative – Doug Mennin

Report:

-DISCUSS: Lynn Peterson is leaving her position with D12, which means we'll soon need to manage our own membership. Stew and Evan have been working on this transition with the switch to the new website, so just want to check that we're on track for a smooth switch.

f. Newsletter Report – Sara Bufferd

Report:

CONSENT: Submissions for the Fall newsletter are due to me by mid-September. Please feel free to continue to send suggestions for early career folks who may want to submit a piece for the newsletter this year.

g. SSCP collaboration with APCS re Delaware Project – Michelle Craske

Report:

-CONSENT: monthly meetings continue, development of videos for website underway, materials for training in dissemination and implementation being collected.

h. SSCP/APS Career Mentorship Database & "How Did I Get Here" video interview series – Bethany Teachman/Sara Bufferd

Report:

1. CONSENT: Career Mentorship Database: Recruitment efforts continue to add to the number of potential mentors.

2. CONSENT: How did I get here video series: I have three interviews recorded (Jackie Persons, Jerry Davison, and Marc Atkins) and am aiming to record at least a few more before we start to post the videos on the SSCP/APS Career Mentorship Match site.

i. Diversity initiatives – Ben Hankin/David Rosmarin

Report:

-CONSENT: As our committee continued to brainstorm about ideas to further our goals, at our last meeting our newest member Joseph Gone added a lot to the discussion and suggested that we preface any intervention with a more careful assessment of why SSCP is not attracting a diversity of clinical scientists as much as it could. As they say: Assessment precedes treatment. The committee was very

much on board and as a starting point Dr. Gone said he would contact his colleagues in APA Division 45 (study of culture, ethnicity and race) and others whom are not SSCP members to solicit reasons why they have yet to join our ranks. In the meantime, I am working on an inaugural Diversity Corner column for The Clinical Scientist which I hope will be a feature each issue, pulled together by our committee.

The Diversity Committee has met and began discussions on what aspects of diversity to include. The committee is focusing on diversity within SSCP and within the field. A newsletter article will be written soon to update the membership on the activities of this committee.

k. Committee on Science in Practice –Jackie Persons

Report:

-CONSENT: We are meeting monthly. In our last meeting we reviewed the list we made earlier of impediments to using science in practice to generate project ideas and general ideas. Next, we'll review the lists of impediments to contributing to science and the list of initiatives already underway, to continue to generate project ideas.

l. Committee on International Dissemination and Implementation of Clinical Science – James Maddux/Bethany Teachman

Report:

-CONSENT: Held a conference call with Bethany and committee member Rinad Beidas to brainstorm possible directions for committee, and a phone conversation with Laura Murray for more brainstorming. Plan is to have a few more individual conversations with committee members for more brainstorming, then will try set up a Skype conference within the next couple of weeks with interested and available committee members.

Continuing to explore with Oltea Joja in Bucharest ways to conduct a needs assessment for clinical training programs in Romania. Unfortunately, August is "vacation month" in Eastern Europe and she is now sequestered at a beach resort in Bulgaria and will re-emerge at the beginning of September.

The "big question" for the committee to discuss is: What can we do collectively that goes beyond what people have done/are doing individually, especially since we have limited/no financial resources at this time.

m. Public Education and Media Committee – Scott Lilienfeld/Mitch Prinstein

Report:

-CONSENT: Scott has recruited a terrific committee and he will soon send a report to summarize committee goals, including possibly: a) a process for identifying good or bad examples of clinical science reporting; b) a process for writing brief press releases, blog posts, letters to the editor in response to those articles (i.e., to be approved by the board and submitted quickly); c) a spot on the SSCP website where such articles could be posted; d) cross-posting of extant blogs and articles written by our members and others who communicate a science-based perspective of clinical psychology; e) use of social media to help create a SSCP voice within the news cycle, and to help disseminate the aforementioned letters to the editor, press releases, etc; f) development of a list of SSCP members who have expertise in specific content areas that can be used by reporters who need a science-based source; g) identification of reporters who may be interested in hearing story ideas from us about the science of clinical psychology

III. Awards and Grants

a. Student Dissertation Awards - Lauren Alloy

Report: Nothing to report.

b. Clinical Scientist Training Initiative Grant (due March 31) – Matt Lerner/Bethany Teachman

Report:

-DISCUSS: Check with Stew re. feasibility of starting a small endowment with the funds from the Varda Shoham scholarship account so that funding the training grant could eventually become self-sustaining.

Stew is investigating the possibilities for establishing an endowment.

- c. Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award (due Feb 1) – Lauren Alloy

Report: Nothing to report

- d. Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (due March 1) – Michelle Craske

Report: Nothing to report

- e. Distinguished Scientist Award (due October 31) – Bethany Teachman

Report: We have updated the award announcements on the SSCP web site, and will post the call for nominations on a variety of list servs.

IV. New Business

- a. Advocate for stronger role for science in EBP definition and implementation – Bethany Teachman

-DISCUSS: Bethany and Mitch met with Steve Breckler and Nadine Kaslow on August 25 to discuss potential links between treatment guidelines dissemination and emphasis on science in EBP definition. It was a helpful phone call and we offered to help any way we can.

- b. APA CE Approval Committee – Bethany Teachman/Mitch Prinstein

-CONSENT: We have recently (re)sent our updated letter (from SSCP, ABCT, and SCP), which is now signed by ~10 additional divisions and organizations to APA leadership. They let us know that the proposed revisions to the Standards and Criteria will go out for public comment ~September 21, 2014. Also, we are drafting a paper outlining our concerns and comparing psychology's approach to CE approval to that of other disciplines.

- c. SSCP election nominations committee – Michelle Craske

-CONSENT: We have two and maybe three nominees for President Elect, two for Representative of Division 12, two for Member at large and two for student reps. We have until the end of August for nominations, at which point I will contact all nominees and ask them to submit materials.

- d. SSCP web site management/transition – Evan Kleiman/Stew Shankman

-DISCUSS: The site is coming along as planned. The basic initial design is set (e.g., where things are located, basic colors, etc.). Although since the design is continuously modifiable, I'll be able to solicit comments from the board (and potentially members) about design elements and features to change. I'm in the process of moving the old content over now while simultaneously working on the organization of the site. Once the content is ready and the board likes the design, we'll be able to "go live" with the site and have the public start to visit it. From there, we can begin to use the new features as needed starting with membership renewals in the fall. We can also handle award submissions through the site too. I'll keep everyone updated as I progress through each step. Right now, we're still on track to have the content ready by the first week of September.

The URL will be sscp.us once the free trial period is over and we start paying. Most of the work so far has been "under the hood" and the page will be updated as I go, but it should be possible to get a preview of how things will be now.

The Board has been asked to preview the site to provide feedback on the basic design.

- e. Update to SSCP internship directory - Victoria Smith/Rosanna Breaux/Mitch Prinstein/Bethany Teachman

DISCUSS: We have sent out the survey for the Internship Directory for review by the board, and have heard back from only a few board members so far. We focused on shortening the survey, and including questions of interest to students that are not available on the APPIC website. We have also decided that the best way to send out the survey may be via the APPIC Training Directors listserv. We have put together an email for the board to review. Once we receive the board's approval of the materials, we will create the survey on survey monkey and send it out over the APPIC Training Directors listserv.

Note – the survey is now being prepared in Qualtrics and Mitch will check with APPIC re sending it out via their listserv.

f. Preparation for September tasks (from notes at end of this document):

- DISCUSS: Select APA Program Chair and start work on program for upcoming year (President-Elect). Note: Find out number of hours allotted from Lynn Peterson or D12 Rep.

How do we get more people to attend the SSCP Rising Stars Program at APA? Our presence can encourage more science-based programming at the APA convention, so it makes sense to continue offering some programming there. However, if we offer something, we want great attendance! We may want to focus on something that offers CE, and perhaps we should use a debate format that is provocative?

- Call for nominations for Student Dissertation Awards; November deadline: Lauren to complete

Posts on the listserv, student listserv, and student website coming soon.

- DISCUSS: Recruit new graduate students as members; contact DCTs of Academy Programs and on CUDCP listserv to encourage them to have their new students join SSCP (Membership Committee; Secretary/Treasurer reminds Membership Committee).

There was some discussion of recruitment strategies. Perhaps student-directed messages on recruitment listservs, and solicitation of student-reps from doctoral programs. Revisions to recruitment materials will be distributed among the board for revisions.

- Discuss/decide whether to hold the next Annual Meeting of Members at APS or APA

We decided that it should be at APS.

Yearly Round Reminders 6-27-14 Update

Key: Item (person responsible)

Recurring throughout year

Newsletter submission and publication dates (Newsletter Editor, President, Secretary/Treasurer)

Monthly Board call

January

Transfer of office - Jan. 1

Submit tax forms to Div 12 office (deadline early in Jan) (Secretary/Treasurer)

Attend Division 12 meeting (Div. 12 representative)

Send reminder to full and student members to renew membership (Membership Committee in conjunction with Secretary/Treasurer; Student Listserv Facilitator or Student Reps to send a general reminder to the student listserv)

Send reminder on deadline for submission of posters for APS; determine which posters are accepted. Notify submitters of their acceptance/rejection. Students need to be SSCP members to submit poster (SSCP representative to APS program committee)

Constitute committee for Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award so that evaluation of applications for the award can begin immediately after February 1 (selected Member-at-Large)

Publicize Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award to solicit nominations for March 1 deadline

Form committee for Varda Shoham Clinical Scientist Training Initiative Grant and publicize grant to listservs (send monthly reminder)

Review list of committees to check whether Chairs and committee members want to continue in positions or need to be replaced. Update list of SSCP officers on web site. (President)

February

February 1 – Deadline for receipt of applications for nominations for Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award

Order plaque for Distinguished Scientist Award winner (to be given at APS or APA) (Secretary/Treasurer)

Request \$500.00 tax contingency from Lynn Peterson at Division 12 office. This could be done in other months, but Feb-March is modal. (Sec-Treas or Div. 12 rep)

Constitute committee for Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award so that evaluation of applications for the award can begin immediately after March 1 (Past-President)

Select winner of Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award (Committee)

Notify a) winner of Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award by end of month, asking him or her to send his or her social security number and home address to secretary/treasurer so payment can be processed; (b) nominators of unsuccessful candidates; (c) SSCP membership about the selected Awardee (President)

Order plaque for Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award (to be given at APS or APA)
(Secretary/Treasurer)

March

March 1 – Deadline for receipt of applications for nominations for Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award

Select judges, including at least one Board member, for student poster awards competition at APS meeting (end of May) (SSCP representative to APS program committee)

Confirm that poster presenters are SSCP members (SSCP representative to APS program committee)

Select winner of Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (Committee)

Notify Winner of Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award by end of month, asking him or her to send his or her social security number and home address to secretary/treasurer so payment can be processed; (b) nominators of unsuccessful candidates; (c) SSCP membership about the selected Awardee (President)

Order plaque for Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (to be given at APS or APA)
(Secretary/Treasurer)

March 31 - Varda Shoham Clinical Scientist Training Initiative Grant applications due (Committee)

April

Confirm receipt of Division 12 \$500.00 tax contingency that was requested in February and follow-up with Div 12 if necessary (Secretary-Treasurer)

Remind “lapsed” members to renew for current year (membership committee in conjunction with Secretary-Treasurer)

Remind “lapsed” student members to renew for current year (Student listserv manager, student representatives)

Plan Board mtg at APS – timing and setting of meeting, invite award winners, arrange for plaques, plan dinner (President)

Select winners of Varda Shoham Clinical Scientist Training Initiative Grant. Notify winners, SSCP treasurer and those not selected. Announce winners to listserv and post on web site (Committee)

May

APS – 1) select Student Poster presentations awardees (SSCP representative to APS program committee and selected reviewers). The winner(s) receives \$200 and “Distinguished Contributions” receive \$100. A year complimentary membership in APS is also awarded to “Winner(s)” and those making “Distinguished Contributions,” including all student co-authors on these posters. The number of such awardees is at the discretion of the reviewers, with the limitations that there is at least one winner. The total amount of cash awarded has varied from \$500-\$1,500.

2) Present SSCP Distinguished Scientist Award (optional) (President)

3) Present Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (optional) (President)

4) Present Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award (optional) (President)

Meeting of SSCP Board and Annual Meeting of Members at APS convention (optional)

If the Annual Meeting of Members is conducted at the APS convention, SSCP Dissertation Award Winners are presented their certificates during that meeting. If winners are not in attendance, their certificates are mailed to them (Dissertation Award Committee Chair or President)

Check SSCPnet subscribers against membership list and unsubscribe persons who have not paid membership dues (Secretary/Treasurer, Chair of Membership Committee, with Listserv Manager)

Update student listserv – remove those with lapsed memberships and those who have graduated from the listserv (Student listserv manager, student representatives)

Appoint a nominations committee (President in consultation with the Past-President). The Past-President serves as Chair and the remaining members typically are two full members and one graduate student member.

Begin consideration of nominees for open Board positions (Past-President, Nominations Committee, Board)

June

Call for nominations for open Board positions (Past-President).

July

No action items

August

Meeting of SSCP Board and Annual Meeting of Members at APA convention (optional)

APA – 1) If the Annual Meeting of Members was not conducted at the APS convention, SSCP Dissertation Award Winners may be presented their certificates during the Division 12 Awards Presentation/Social Hour. If dissertation award winners are not in attendance, their certificates are mailed to them. If they decline to travel to the APA Convention, then winners of the SSCP Student Posters Competition can receive their certificates at this awards presentation ceremony. Awardees can present posters at this meeting. (Dissertation Award Committee Chair, SSCP Representative to APS Program Committee or President) (see December)

2) Present SSCP Distinguished Scientist Award (optional) (President)

3) Present Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (optional) (President)

September

Select APA Program Chair and start work on program for upcoming year (President-Elect)

NOTE: Find out number of hours allotted from Lynn Peterson or D12 Rep.

Nominations for offices determined (Past-President and Nominations Committee)

Attend Div. 12 meeting (Div. 12 rep)

Select Chair of Student Dissertation Awards Committee (President)

Call for nominations for Distinguished Scientist Award Winner (President) - see description on SSCP web site

Call for nominations for Student Dissertation Awards; November deadline (President appoints the Chair of Dissertation Awards Committee). NOTE: Students need to be SSCP members.

Recruit new graduate students as members; contact DCTs of Academy Programs and on CUDCP listserv to encourage them to have their new students join SSCP (Membership Committee; Secretary/Treasurer reminds Membership Committee)

Discuss/decide whether to hold the next Annual Meeting of Members at APS or APA.

October

Elections (Past President)

Notify candidates and members of outcome (President)

Call for submissions for student posters at APS (President)

First reminder to full and student members to renew membership (Membership Committee; Sec/Treas. sends current database to Membership Cmte.; Student Listserv Facilitator or Student Reps also send general reminder over Student Listserv)

Reminder: Call for nominations for Distinguished Scientist Award Winner (President)

After October 31: Selection of Distinguished Scientist Award Winner (Board)

Notify (a) winner of Distinguished Scientist Award, asking him or her to send his or her social security number and home address to secretary/treasurer so payment can be processed; (b) nominators of unsuccessful candidates; (c) SSCP membership about the winner (President)

November

Deadline for Student Dissertation Awards nominations

Collect schedules from Board members and determine time for monthly Board meeting calls in new year (President-Elect)

Submit Div. 12 year-end report (Div. 12 rep)

Call for nominations for Susan Nolen-Hoeksema Early Career Research Award (Committee)

December

Selection of Student Dissertation Award winners (Chair of Dissertation Awards Committee, with/without Board input, depending on number and quality of submissions).

Announce Student Dissertation Award winners to winners and membership (President)

Invite the Dissertation Award winners, in order until one accepts, to present a poster at the Division 12 Social Hour. If none are going to APA, invite APS poster competition winners and then Distinguished Contributions, again in order until one accepts. If there still are no takers, invite the SSCP student reps. (President-Elect)

Submit APA Program (major time blocks only; details due in mid-late January) (President-Elect, Division 12 Representative)

Reminder to full and student members to renew membership (Membership Committee in conjunction with Secretary-Treasurer)

Prepare tax forms for Div 12 office (due early Jan) (Secretary/Treasurer)

Call for nominations for Lawrence H. Cohen Outstanding Mentor Award (Past-President)