

Notes from SSCP Board Call

Time and Date: Wednesday July 23, 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); 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); Rosanna Breaux (Student Representative, rbreaux@psych.umass.edu).

Board members absent: Michelle Craske (Past President, craske@psych.ucla.edu); Ben Hankin (Member at Large, ben.hankin@psy.du.edu); Doug Mennin (Representative to Div 12, dmennin@hunter.cuny.edu)

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

**Remind date for remaining summer meeting: August 27 (all Wed. 2-3).

**Please send an email to Bethany noting days/times you are definitely unavailable for calls in the fall, and she will set up a Doodle poll to arrange calls for Sept. thru Dec.

**Note: Action items to be discussed during the call include Reports b, c, h, Awards III a, b, and New Business a, b3, e, f

II. Reports

a. Secretary/Treasurer – Stew Shankman

Report:

-CONSENT: Past month financial activity

1. EXPENSES: -\$209.60 (corrected plaque); -\$100 (poster winner); -\$24.60 (Div12 fee);

2. INCOME: \$615

3. PENDING: none

4. BANK BALANCE on 7/17/2014: \$26,295.73

b. Membership Issues – Dave Smith/Stewart Shankman

Report:

-DISCUSS: We have a membership recruitment brochure to distribute at a new convention attendees social hour. Will anyone be at APA on the Thurs. afternoon? Can we use some funds to print the brochure in color?

Funds to print brochures were approved.

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

Report:

-CONSENT: External nominations committee continues to work on nominations for outstanding candidates. We continue to seek all input and suggestions on other awards and committees for whom we can nominate excellent clinical scientists.

-DISCUSS: BSA would like our help in selecting nominees for the APA COA cmt.

The Board discussed some potential nominees and will check to see if they're interested.

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

Report:

1. Outstanding SSCP Student Awards

CONSENT: We have created a Student Awards section on the SSCP Student website. We have posted Outstanding SSCP Student award criteria in this section of the website; the guidelines and cover letter are also posted for applicants to access. We plan to post information about other student awards (e.g., Dissertation and Student Poster Awards) on this section of the website as well.

2. Nominations for the Student Representative position

CONSENT: Our current listserv facilitator, Andrea Niles, and communication manager, Carol Chu, are interested in running for the position. We have also advertised the position on the listserv, but have yet to hear from any students who are interested in running for the position. We will be sending out one additional email seeking interest in the position.

3. Student Listserv Events: Summer Q&A

CONSENT: Andrea Niles, our listserv facilitator, sent out a listserv survey to gauge interest in a Q&A over the summer, and the topics that students are interested in. We received good feedback, with students expressing interest in an Internship Q&A (hosted by faculty who have experience reviewing internship applications and/or internship directors) and an RDoC Q&A. Thus, we are currently planning to host the Internship Q&A over the summer, and the RDoC Q&A later in the Fall/Winter.

- e. SCP (D12) Representative – Doug Mennin

Report: Nothing to report

- f. Newsletter Report – Sara Bufferd

Report:

-CONSENT: Thank you for sharing names of possible contributors! We have our submissions planned for the Fall issue, and I'm waiting to hear from additional early career folks and students for possible future submissions (we have enough practitioner submissions for the year). Please feel free to continue to send suggestions.

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

Report:

-CONSENT: The DP continues with monthly meetings and formation of a very active and wide reaching student representative committee. We are currently obtaining resources from programs that indicated their availability to be distributed to programs indicating a need.

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

Report:

1. CONSENT: The joint SSCP/APS cmt has been trying some new recruitment efforts to enlist more potential mentors (e.g., mailings to APAGS and other listservs asking students to invite their supervisors, etc.). Well over 500 searches have already been conducted since the initial launch.

2. CONSENT: Interviews are set to be recorded over the next 6-8 weeks or so, and posted soon thereafter on the SSCP/APS Job/Career Mentorship Match site (with a link from the SSCP website as well). I have six people committed to the project (tenured professor from a large university, tenured liberal arts college professor and administrator, internship director, NIH employee, clinician, and science writer). In the near future, I will try to find possible interviewees from the pharmaceutical industry and a psychiatry department to participate. Please feel free to continue to send suggestions.

3. DISCUSS: For each video, I will briefly introduce the individual, and then ask the person to: 1. Describe his/her career path and how he/she ended up in his/her current position, and 2. Describe any obstacles/barriers that were overcome in this path. Note that I will ask the person to share his/her narrative (rather than my asking questions/interviewing the person). Does the Board approve of this plan and/or have any additional suggestions?

The Board suggested some additional questions to include in the interviews.

i. Diversity initiatives – Ben Hankin/David Rosmarin

Report:

-CONSENT. The SSCP Diversity Committee has now held three (monthly) meetings. Last month, we commenced a reconnaissance mission involving interviews with other organizations to determine what has been done in the psychology world to further our two aims of (1) increasing diversity of membership, and (2) further a scientific understanding of diversity issues in clinical psychology. We determined that several organizations similar in size to SSCP have either not engaged in diversity initiatives at all, or conducted various grass-roots activities without any evaluation of their success. By contrast, larger organizations (e.g., APA) have conducted substantial diversity initiatives and evaluated their impact, however the scope of such initiatives lies well beyond what our committee could do at the present time (e.g., create new fellowships, lobby for NIH funding, collaborate with senators, create inter-agency groups). We are therefore continuing to brainstorm ideas for what we can feasibly do that will be likely to yield some tangible benefit. Current ideas include: Penning a regular column for SSCP newsletter on diversity issues ("The Diversity Corner"); updating the SSCP website with a page/section about diversity; conducting podcast interviews about diversity to post to website; assembling one or more panels/symposia for ABCT or APS in 2015; And approaching a journal to put together special issue on diversity and have our committee serve as editors and make mention of SSCP in the introductory article (note that this last idea will further both aims by marketing SSCP's diversity initiatives thus appealing to a broader audience, plus directly furthering the science of diversity through publications). At our next meeting we will pare down our ideas and decide which to move forward on. One more update: Dr. Joseph Gone from University of Michigan has joined our committee. Joe has a wealth of experience and a considerable record of achievement in diversity issues in clinical psychology, so it's fabulous to have him join our crew.

k. Committee on Science in Practice –Jackie Persons

Report:

-CONSENT: The cmt brainstormed a list of impediments to clinicians conducting research in a clinical setting, as well as a list of initiatives already underway to help clinicians consume or produce research. The next step is to evaluate whether we want to collaborate with any of these existing efforts or start something new.

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

Report:

-CONSENT: The cmt has mostly been formed, and Jim will begin brainstorming with the cmt about how SSCP can best have impact/make a contribution.

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

Report:

-CONSENT: The following individuals have agreed to be part of the cmt: Michael Anestis, Joye Anestis, Rosanna Breau (student member), Gerald Davison, Todd Finnerty, Dean McKay, David Tolin, Kristin Weinzierl. Scott said they are still waiting to hear from a couple more people (including one more student member), but are ready to get started.

III. Awards and Grants

a. Student Dissertation Awards - Lauren Alloy

Report:

-DISCUSS: Lauren Alloy has kindly volunteered to chair this cmt this year. Please review the revised award guidelines to indicate if you would like any further edits.

The Board approved the new award guidelines. Lauren will invite some additional committee members to help serve as reviewers.

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

Report:

-DISCUSS: Matt Lerner is now heading the committee, and is preparing new guidelines for the award to be posted to the website. Also, Bethany has recently been in touch with Michael Rohrbaugh, Varda Shoham's widow. After Varda passed away, a fund was set up in her honor at APS (<http://www.psychologicalscience.org/index.php/publications/observer/2014/april-14/scholarship-fund-established-in-memory-of-var-da-shoham.html>). Michael and Alan Kraut have generously suggested that we can use some of those funds to augment the support we provide with this SSCP initiative. It will be a one-time gift (of ~9K). Bethany and Matt spoke with Michael and Sarah Brookheart (from APS) to hear Michael's wishes for how the funds are used.

The Board approved allocating the additional funds to make 2 additional awards/year for the next 3 years.

**Addendum: After the Board mtg, the idea was raised to instead start a small endowment with the funds so that funding the training grant could eventually be self-sustaining. Stew will look into the feasibility of this possibility.*

- 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: Nothing to report

IV. New Business

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

-DISCUSS: We had a very productive conversation with Steve Breckler at BSA about how we might work together on this goal, and Nadine Kaslow has also expressed support. A follow-up call is being scheduled. We also discussed potentially writing a piece for something like American Psychologist or The Lancet or another high profile outlet that tries to move the discussion forward in a positive way; e.g., discuss how the realities of health care have evolved over the past 10 yr & implications of these changes for APA's EBP approaches).

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

1. CONSENT: We have arranged for 3 nominees to submit their materials to join the APA CE cmt and coordinated multiple divisions and BSA to submit their endorsement of the nominees.

2. CONSENT: We are planning a paper that describes the challenges with the current CE system, and discusses ways it could be improved.

3. DISCUSS: We now have support from ~10 different organizations & divisions indicating their support for our letter/statement noting the need to change the current CE system. We are in the process of brainstorming ideas for new guidelines that we would advocate be used for the revised CE approval system.

d. SSCP election nominations committee – Michelle Craske

-CONSENT: Announcements went out for four new positions: President Elect; Representative to the Board; Member at Large; Student Member. Nominations due August 31st. Nominations for board positions are slowly trickling in but we definitely need some nominees. Michelle, Bethany, and Mitch will talk on 7/29 and current Board members are encouraged to make nominations.

e. SSCP web site management

-DISCUSS: Evan Kleiman will be taking over as the new web master, and he has already started talking with Frank Farach to make the transition. In addition, David Rosmarin has purchased the URL www.clinicalpsychologicalscience.com and has kindly offered to donate it to us if we're interested?

Stew and Evan are looking into possible new domain names for our SSCP web site, and will send around a list of the top 3 options for the Board to vote on.

-CONSENT (from Stew): 5. Evan Kleinman (the new webmaster) and I had a call and email exchange about the new website(s) for SSCP. On the last SSCP board call, we discussed having a student here help me search to find what options are out there. However, in talking with Evan, I think it makes more sense for me and Evan to do the searching. One of the variables that differentiates the websites is how much web development and programming the website does vs. what we'd have to do. This is also a big predictor of cost (not surprisingly given that the former requires more labor on the website's end). Thus, since Evan would be the one doing the programming/web development, I think it makes sense for him to help with exploring the options as he knows what he can and can't do. At this point, we're narrowing down the options. We will hopefully have some options to distribute to the board soon.

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

-DISCUSS: Rosanna and Victoria gathered some info from the students about what they need/want to help guide the decision about the updates we will make to the directory. Bethany, Mitch, Rosanna and Victoria will talk today about next steps.

Feedback from Victoria & Rosanna: We obtained comments/feedback from students via the student listserv on the utility of the SSCP Internship Directory. Overall, students commented that they found it to be a very useful resource. They would like to see some features added, such as the ability to search the database by specific fields of information, information about protected research time, available research mentors, internship website address, start and end date of the internship, accepted theoretical backgrounds of internships, and primary therapeutic orientation. Students also did not want a curated list, preferring to sort through available sites on their own.

Based on a follow-up conversation with Bethany, Mitch, Rosanna, and Victoria, we decided to reduce the list of fields on the survey to increase completion rates and focus on the info not readily available elsewhere. We will then email out the revised survey to internship training directors.

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)

