LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY

Business Meeting

Time: Thursday, September 21, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Reiss-Davis Auditorium, 9760 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles 35

Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Dr. Futterman; President. Forty-five members were present.

1. The minutes of the June 15, 1961, meeting were accepted as distributed.

2. Membership Committee:

Dr. Sperling, Chairman of the Membership Committee announced:

- a. The recommendation by the Membership Committee for the election of Dr. James Grotstein. Dr. Grotstein was elected to membership.
- b. The application of Dr. James Mott for membership in the Society has been received.

3. West Coast Psychoanalytic Societies Meeting:

Dr. Mandel, Co-Chairman of the West Coast Psychoanalytic Societies Meeting, which will be held at the Beverly-Wilshire Hotel on Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and 22, 1961, reported that provisional scientific programs will be received within a few days. Regarding social arrangments, a cocktail-buffet dance from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. was chosen to replace the usual dinner dance. The purpose was to allow freedom of movement among those attending and to permit enough time for individual pursuits and activities following the planned portion of the evening.

4. Announcements:

- a. Dr. Futterman advised the members that there had been a flood at the Institute offices which necessitated the removal of the books from the library for a period of two or three weeks. The Institute for Psychoanalytic Medicine of Southern California has offered the use of their library to our members and candidates during this period. Dr. Futterman also requested that we limit as much as possible the demands made upon Mrs. Yerkes and Mrs. Kameon during this difficult period.
- b. Dr. Futterman read a letter from Dr. Rangell advising of the resignation of Dr. Bertram Lewin and Miss Helen Ross as Directors of the Office of Education, effective March 1, 1962.

Dr. Friedman moved that we call a special meeting to discuss the resignation and its implications, as it is not possible to plan for the future without additional information as to what transpired in the past.

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Dr. Rangell reported that his memorandum concerning the resignations was only a preliminary notice for purposes of information about the fact of the resignations. The resignations were the culmination of a complex background series of events in which certain difficulties and considerable differences of opinion existed on the parts of a number of the people who participated actively in the total educational program. Much had to be considered in deciding future action, and the matter was to be thoroughly discussed in the forthcoming meetings of the Coordinating and Executive Committees in New York on September 30 and October 2. Dr. Rangell informed us that further information would be forthcoming following these meetings.

Dr. Sperling offered an amendment to Dr. Friedman's motion which would allow the Executive Council to decide whether, when, and what kind of a meeting should be held. Dr. Friedman did not accept this amendment. The vote was seventeen to seven in favor of holding a special meeting.

5. New Business:

a. Dr. Friedman reported on the Business Meeting of the International Congress as follows:

1) Officers:

President:

Dr. Maxwell Gitelson

Vice-Presidents:

Miss Anna Freud Dr. Willi Hoffer

Dr. Phyllis Greenacre

Dr. Jeanne Lampl-de Groot

Dr. Kurt Eissler Dr. Grete Bibring Dr. Angel Garma Dr. Sacha Nacht

Secretary:

Dr. Elizabeth Zetzel

Treasurer:

Dr. Jacob Arlow

- 2) For the meeting place of the next International Congress, Jerusalem extended an invitation and was preferred; but the President, Dr. Gillespie, decided that the Executive Council would discuss the place and the time of the next meeting further before arriving at a final decision.
- 3) Dr. Friedman was appointed Chairman of a committee formed for the purpose of reciprocating to our European hosts for their hospitality to the North American guests, often at great sacrifice to themselves.

 Dr. Friedman has chosen Dr. Rollman-Branch as Secretary of this committee. When the time and place of the next meeting has been decided, the committee will proceed with its plans.

Dr. Williams suggested the committee might do something to enable our

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European colleagues to travel to the next meeting, perhaps through extra dues or contributions. She volunteered to collect funds for such a purpose when Dr. Friedman said he thought it would be very difficult. Dr. Futterman questioned whether funds should come from individuals or from the American Psychoanalytic Association.

b. Dr. Futterman announced that Dr. Jokl had become ill during his trip abroad, was hospitalized in Innsbruch, but was progressing satisfactorily.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Helen Tausend, M. D. Secretary

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