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LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY AND INSTITUTE  
Board of Directors Meeting

Time: Tuesday, December 5, 1967, 6:30 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Dr. Leavitt, President. Present were Drs. Atkins, Bird, Harrison, Ourieff, Rollman-Branch, Rosengarten, and Dr. Mandel as a guest.

1. The minutes of the meeting of October 12, 1967, were approved as distributed.
2. Western Regional Psychoanalytic Societies Meeting, 1968:

Dr. Leavitt stated that Dr. Stoller, Chairman of the Professional Education Committee, will select a representative to attend the meeting of the representatives of the western societies at the December New York meeting, which will be involved in the 1968 Western Regional Psychoanalytic Societies Meeting. Dr. Atkins suggested that, if possible, Dr. Obler, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, should attend.

3. Christmas Party:

It was decided that the following friends of the Society/Institute will be invited to the December 21, 1967, Christmas party: Mrs. Mildred Dunn, Mrs. Minette Lewis, Mrs. Sientje Van der Heide; Dr. Reynolds; and Messrs. Freeman, Hilborn, Licht, Lippett, and Pigott.

4. Committee Reports:

- a. Finance Committee:

Since a meeting of the Finance Committee was scheduled to take place immediately after this Board of Directors meeting, Dr. Bird asked Board approval in advance (conditional upon approval by Finance Committee) for the following two items:

- 1) Christmas bonuses for Mrs. Kameon, Miss Kasper, Mr. Tararin, Mr. Smythe (mail man) and Mr. Carpenter (janitor). These were approved by the Board.
- 2) A \$30 per month salary increase for Miss Kasper who has worked for the Society/Institute for one year; this was also approved.

A lengthy discussion took place concerning the management of the principal of the Mahon bequest. Mr. Freeman had suggested that consultation with an investment counsilor was probably not necessary and that the funds be invested in mutual funds. Dr. Rosengarten suggested that the Security-First National Trust Department be investigated since he felt it offered a service superior to any other. Dr. Bird indicated that he intended to investigate a series of institutional investment services.



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Motion: Dr. Atkins moved, s/Dr. Rollman-Branch, m/c, that the Finance Committee be empowered to proceed, with the advice of counsel, with an investment program, informing the President of all such moves.

Dr. Bird stated that the Committee planned to review the budget at this meeting, since the Society/Institute is operating on a deficit. Dr. Atkins said that dues should be raised and that this should be done soon since 1968 dues become payable as of January 1, 1968.

In regard to a letter from Dr. Justin Call requesting supplemental aid for an on-going psychoanalytic research project, Dr. Bird informed the Board that he had reminded Dr. Call that the request must first be submitted to the Research Committee, then if approved, the Research Committee submits the request to the Finance Committee, and the Finance Committee makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors.

b. Community Education Committee:

Dr. Mandel also reported for Dr. Abrahams, Chairman of the Community Activities Committee, who could not attend due to illness.

Dr. Mandel stated that the two Committees have been meeting jointly and after much discussion regarding the role of the psychoanalytic society in the community, the members of the Community Education Committee and the Community Activities Committee had prepared the following resolution:

"A FORMAL STATEMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AND THE COMMUNITY EDUCATION COMMITTEE"

"The Community Activities Committee and the Community Education Committee met in two joint sessions to explore the issue of formal psychoanalytic society participation in community activities and mental health, and they arrived at the following conclusions:

"A. Participation by analysts is in keeping with the historic tradition of psychoanalysis.

"B. The time is now ripe for us to consider how we can participate in community affairs, using our psychoanalytic knowledge in educative, corrective, preventive, and consultative ways. The combined committees wish to express to the Society their sense of urgency about the need for the Society to give serious consideration to this challenge and to decide the direction of its response."

It was decided by the Board that a Special Meeting of the Society/Institute will be called for Thursday, January 25, 1968, and another Special Meeting will be held in February so that this statement can be discussed by the membership. Dr. Wallerstein of San Francisco is scheduled to address the Society/Institute on matters of psychoanalytic participation in the community in April; however, Dr. Mandel will ascertain if it is possible for Dr. Wallerstein to talk to the membership in January or February.



Dr. Mandel requested postponement of the Board's directive that the Community Education- and Community Activities Committee work with the Southern California Society; this was approved.

5. Mail Ballot Results:

The result of the vote regarding the proposed amendment of the By-Laws of The American Psychoanalytic Association was as follows:

Eleven members were in favor of no membership for non-medical training analysts, 39 members were in favor of the proposed Special Membership, and 39 were in favor of full membership. The Executive Councilor, Dr. Rollman-Branch, took note of this vote.

6. Announcements:

Dr. Leavitt stated that minutes of the Board of Directors meetings are being mailed to Committee Chairman. Mrs. Kameon has been underlining sections in the minutes in order to direct the attention of Committee Chairmen to Board actions relevant to their Committees.

7. New Business:

- a. Dr. Leavitt read a letter from Dr. Rubin, Chairman of the Admissions Committee, requesting funds to send the Chairman of the Committee to New York for the meeting of the COPE Committee on Selection. In line with this Dr. Harrison stated that it appears that the presence of the Alternate Councilor is necessary at the APA meetings, and therefore he felt that the Alternate Councilor, as well as the Councilor, should be allocated funds.

Motion: Dr. Leavitt moved, s/Dr. Rollman-Branch, m/c, that due to shortness of time and lack of funds, these requests be turned down for the present time, without prejudicing future decisions in regard to these matters. Nevertheless, the Board urged the Admissions Committee to send a representative to New York.

Dr. Leavitt requested all representatives who do attend the APA meeting to take careful note of the value of their experiences in New York. He also requested the Councilors to find out from other societies what policies are in effect regarding payment of representatives to APA meetings.

- b. Dr. Atkins noted that he had been appointed by the Southern California Psychiatric Society Council to invite Dr. Mandel to a meeting regarding the Negro revolt. Dr. Mandel accepted.
- c. Dr. Harrison spoke about the growth of the recently created Mental Health information Co-ordinating Council. Information regarding this Council is on file.



- d. Dr. Ourieff stated that he had received a request from Elaine Caruth, Ph. D., to attend the Scientific Meetings of the Society/Institute. The Board reiterated that guest attendance at these meetings is to be left to the discretion of the Secretary; if the Secretary has doubts, he should bring the matter to the Board. Dr. Caruth will be invited to attend Scientific Meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Arthur Ourieff, M. D.  
Secretary