# LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY AND INSTITUTE Business Meeting

Time: Thursday, February 29, 1968, 7:30 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

#### Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. There were forty-one members present.

1. The minutes of the meeting of November 16, 1967, were approved as distributed.

## 2. Future Special Meetings - Dr. Atkins:

- a. Dr. Atkins announced the visit of Dr. Joseph Sandler from London from April 6to April 10, 1968. Dr. Sandler is being invited by the Society/Institute and will be available to members, either Individually or in groups, for meetings. Members were urged to send their suggestions for interesting topics and meetings to Drs. Atkins, Stoller, or Call.
- b. The biennial Western Regional Psychoanalytic Societies Meeting will take place in October, 1968, at the Hilton Inn in San Diego. The program will be organized around plenary sessions and panels in the mornings only.

### 3. Housing Committee - Dr. Pastron:

Dr. Pastron reviewed the history of the Society/Institute's past interest in acquiring a permanent home. He pointed out our need for classroom-, library-, meeting-, and lecture-room space. The Housing Committee considers the present facilities unattractive, makeshift, and cursory. He outlined a series of questions that needed to be answered and informed the members that the Board of Directors has authorized the expenditure of \$2500 for a feasibility study which will help us to answer these questions.

# 4. Finance Committee - Dr. Bird:

Dr. Bird informed the Society/Institute that expenses have increased greatly as have activities and needs. The Society/Institute has in the past years run its finances at a deficit. The deficit has increased yearly.

It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors that the dues of the Los Angeles Psychoanalytic Society and Institute be increased to \$150 per year. Dr. Bird put this recommendation into the form of a motion that was seconded by Dr. Abrams.

Dr. Walsh raised the question of the income from the Mahon bequest. The Projects Funding Committee has considered that for the present time the capital of this bequest will be kept intact and that the income should be spent only for special purposes and not used for the general household expenses of the Society/Institute. This is in keeping with the intent of the bequest. Dr. Lawrence Friedman, after a spirited discussion in which he questioned the need for the increase, made a motion, seconded by Dr. Walsh, to table Dr. Bird's motion for which a detailed financial statement will be made available to the membership.

Dr. Bird announced that the Finance Committee was authorized by the Board of Directors to enter into an agency account with the Security First National Bank for the growth and protection of the Mahon bequest monies. The Projects Funding Committee will entertain any and all suggestions from the membership concerning the use of these funds.

#### 5. Announcements:

- a. Dr. Leavitt announced that the Executive Councilor's report will be mailed.
- b. Dr. Schube is ill but is recovering nicely. Dr. Brunswick has undergone surgery and is also doing well.
- c. The American Psychoanalytic Association has requested the Society to send any suggestions for nominations of officers. This will be taken up again at the next meeting.
- d. Dr. Abrams, Chairman of the Membership Committee, announced that Dr. Charles Sarlin has been given the honor of becoming a Life Member of the Society/Institute upon reaching the age of 70. He was congratulated by the membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Arthur Ourieff, M. D. Secretary

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