LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Time: Thursday, June 20, 1963, 8 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Dr. Sperling, President. There were thirty-six members present.

1. The minutes of the meeting of May 16, 1963, were accepted as distributed.

2. Report of the Dean of the Training School - Dr. Friedman:

For details, see Dean's report which was mailed to all members. Dr. Friedman noted further that the Committee on Institutes of The American Psychoanalytic Association has been established to represent the Board on Professional Standards and will make regular visits to the various institutes and then present its recommendations to the Board. He discussed briefly the establishment of elective fourth-year courses in the curriculum of the Los Angeles Institute, the utilization of guest lecturers for seminars with candidates, and noted that he is presently working on recommendations for the reorganization of the Institute and Society.

3. Membership Committee:

Dr. Leavitt reported for Dr. Evans on the applications for Active Membership of Drs. Schoenberger and Siegel. Dr. Donald J. Perry was unanimously elected to Active Membership in the Society.

4. Report of the Executive Councilor to The American Psychoanalytic Association - Dr. Futterman:

Dr. Futterman discussed the work of the Committee on Postgraduate Education of The American, for further details of which see the communication from Dr. Rangell, Chairman. This Committee aims to encourage the development of postgraduate educational opportunities and to make a survey of existing activities and interests among the constituent societies and the membership. Dr. Friedman added that the Committee is presently an ad-hoc committee and part of its assignment is to determine whether or not a permanent committee should be established.

5. Report of Committees:

a. Committee on Public Information - Dr. Harrison:

Dr. Harrison reported on the meeting of the Committee on Public Information of The American and of its activities--for further details of which see the summary submitted by Dr. Harrison to Dr. Burness Moore. Dr. Harrison presented a short review of the replies to the recent questionnaire to our membership regarding community teaching and related activities. There were 62 replies out of a membership of 94. Of those replying, there was an average of 7.8 activities indicated. The percentages of members involved in each category were: teaching--92%, clinical research--40%, treatment in community agencies--63%, preventive mental hygiene--35%, training--63%, seminars--55%. Dr. Harrison called to the

attention of the members current investigation of organizations representing themselves as psychoanalytic training centers and of legislation to limit such activities which is presently being prepared for action. Dr. Friedman noted the recent statement by Dr. Gitelson in the International Journal regarding deviant organizations and the reply in the last issue of the Archives of Psychiatry attacking The American Psychoanalytic Association as authoritarian and hoped the membership had familiarized themselves with this exchange, since it had already raised questions among residents and others which we should be prepared to explicate.

b. Program Committee:

Dr. Mandel reported for Dr. Rollman-Branch, Chairman. This report is on file. Dr. Hilda Abraham may be a speaker in September, Dr. Hanna Fenichel in October, Dr. Sidney Tarachow on November 21. In February and March, 1963, Dr. Lawrence J. Friedman and Dr. Elizabeth Zetzel will probably present. Dr. Lewin will follow in April.

c. Committee on Social Problems - Dr. Dorn:

For further details see report on file. Dr. Dorn reported on a meeting of a group of child analysts with The APA Committee on Social Problems regarding the prevention of mental illness. He invited the membership to join the Committee in its meetings.

d. Committee on Postgraduate Education - Dr. Stoller:

There are several postgraduate seminars functioning successfully with a substantial number of members participating. It appears that those groups which were begun spontaneously by the individuals involved succeeded best while the efforts of the Committee to stimulate groups in other suggested areas have not materialized. This offers an obvious suggestion for the nature of the Committee's functioning.

e. Committee on the History of the Society - Dr. Kandelin:

The Committee set as its task the preservation of the history of the Society and its progenitors, and a great deal has been accomplished. Photographic records have been completed, and a display of historical material is on exhibit. Members are urged to contribute appropriate materials for the historical collection. In the preparation of the history, the UCLA Department of Oral History has been of considerable assistance. Drs. Lewy and Tidd have made available their files for the narrative history. Memoirs of individual memebers have been obtained--a few through written resumes--fourteen recorded interviews with ten members have been obtained. The Committee hopes to eventually present all this material in narrative form, and preparatory drafts have been made by Drs. Lewy, Brunswick, and Kandelin.

Dr. Brunswick took particular note of Dr. Kandelin's very considerable efforts in this work.

6. Report of the Treasurer - Dr. Fine:

See financial statement on file.

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7. Report of the Auditing Committee - Dr. Obler:

The Committee reviewed and approved the financial statement.

8. Report of the President - Dr. Sperling:

This report reviewing the past year of the Society and future prospects is on file.

9. Nominating Committee - Dr. Mandel:

The Nominating Committee recommended the following nominations:

President:	Samuel J. Sperling, M. D.
Vice-President:	H. Michael Rosow, M. D.; Helen Tausend, M. D.
Secretary:	Maimon Leavitt, M. D.
Treasurer:	Sidney Fine, M. D.
Membership Committee:	Gerald Aronson, M. D.; Arthur Malin, M. D.

No other nominations were submitted and none were proposed from the floor. Following some clarification of the procedure for nominations, it was moved by Dr. Lawrence Friedman, S/Dr. Brunswick that nominations be closed.

10. Election of Officers:

Upon Dr. Mandel's motion, the President, Secretary, and Treasurer were elected by acclamation. The following were elected to Society office:

President:	Samuel J. Sperling, M. D.
Vice-President:	Helen Tausend, M. D.
Secretary:	Maimon Leavitt, M. D.
Treasurer:	Sidney Fine, M. D.
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11. Vote on By-Laws Changes - Dr. Ourieff:

Dr. Lawrence Friedman raised a point of order as to whether action on the By-Laws should be withheld pending a proposed revision to be submitted by himself. A motion to table action on the By-Laws until the fall was defeated. Dr. Ourieff referred the membership to the detailed proposed changes circulated and, following the suggestion of Dr. Friedman, the two paragraphs of Article I, Section 7, Life Members, were voted upon separately. The first paragraph was approved unanimously and the second paragraph by a large majority. Article I, Section 6, Guest Members, and Article VII, Section 3, Transfer of Membership, both relating to Guest Membership, were approved unanimously. Article I, Section 8, Right to Vote and Hold Office, was overwhelmingly approved.

Dr. Ourieff presented three proposals for the election of officers: (1) establishment of the category of President-Elect, (2) a change to a two-year term of office, and (3) retention of the present system. Dr. Bird moved, S/Dr. Dorn, that action on these proposals be tabled until the fall. M/C.

12. New Business:

a. Dr. Dorn brought to the attention of the members the matter of restriction by

race in American Medical Association constituent organizations and suggested that the members might wish to express their views to the AMA.

b. Dr. Fine recommended an increase in the salary of Mrs. Kameon more commensurate with her work. This would involve the Society's being responsible for 40% and the Institute 60% of the increase. This change has already been approved by the Professional Committee of the Institute and the Board of Directors of the Society. Also the Institute has requested the Society to contribute $300 yearly for telephone expenses. Dr. Fine moved, S/Dr. Pastron, that these increases involving a sum of $810 per year be approved. M/C unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Maimon Leavitt, M. D.
Secretary

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