

LOS ANGELES INSTITUTE FOR PSYCHOANALYSIS  
Education-Committee Meeting

Time: Thursday, October 6, 1966, 7:30 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Dr. Vatz, Acting Chairman. Present were Drs. Brunswick, Evans, Fenichel, Jokl, McGuire, Rangell, Van der Heide and Williams for the Committee on Child Analysis. Drs. Atkins, Dorn, Malin, and Rollman-Branch were present from the faculty.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of September 8, 1966:

a. Letter from Dr. Friedman:

Dr. Vatz reported that Dr. Lawrence Friedman circulated a memo to members of the Education Committee and members of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Institute for Psychoanalysis.

Dr. Friedman wrote, "the meeting of the Education Committee on September 8, 1966, was illegal and had no authority to take any actions for the following reasons:

"1) There are no provisions in the By-Laws or in the Manual for Training Analysts for the election of an 'Acting Dean' or 'Acting Chairman.'"

Dr. Friedman also stated that the election of Dr. Vatz as Acting Dean in July by a vote of seven was in violation of the By-Laws and rules of the Education Committee. He then concluded, "therefore, violation of the By-Laws by its officers is not only an error but an illegal act and could be only 'destructive and detrimental to the work of the Training School and the welfare of the candidates.'"

Dr. Vatz said he consulted an attorney who was appraised of all the actions of the Education Committee following Dr. Henry Lihn's resignation as Chairman of the Education Committee and Dean of the Training School. Dr. Vatz was informed that the actions taken by the Education Committee were standard procedures for all organizations which were unable to elect a Chairman or comparable position and that no illegal actions were taken. The alternative would have been to stop the work of the Education Committee, and this would have interfered with the training of the candidates and jeopardized the Training School. This was not an acceptable alternative.

Dr. Friedman's complete memo is on file.

b. Letter from Dr. Greenson:

Mrs. Jean Kameon read a memo sent to the Education Committee by Dr. Ralph Greenson. He requested that Dr. Vatz withdraw from the minutes of September 8, 1966, his comments in regard to absenteeism of members from the Education Committee meetings.

Dr. Vatz stated that he made the remarks referred to, and that he did not wish to have them deleted from the minutes.

No other corrections were made, and the minutes were accepted as distributed.



2. Election of Chairman of the Education Committee:

Dr. Brunswick, Chairman, reported for the Nominating Committee, consisting of Drs. Brunswick, Fielding, and Fenichel, and placed the name of Dr. Jack Vatz in nomination for Dean of the Training School and Chairman of the Education Committee.

Motion: Dr. Evans moved, s/Dr. Brunswick, m/c, that nominations be closed.

Dr. Vatz was elected Chairman of the Education Committee and Dean of the Training School by a vote of 9 to one.

3. Candidates:

- a. Dr. Elstad has started training analysis with Dr. McGuire.
- b. Dr. Gruenberg started training analysis with Dr. Rangell.
- c. Dr. Arthur Burris has started supervision with Dr. Brunswick.
- d. Dr. Kalman started supervision with Dr. Fenichel.
- e. Dr. Flynn's request for Colloquium I was approved; his examiners will be Dr. Van der Heide and a member of the faculty.
- f. Dr. Hellinger's request for Colloquium I was approved.
- g. Dr. Arthur Burris's request for a third supervised case was deferred.
- h. Dr. Lerner's request for a third supervised case was approved.
- i. Dr. Ritvo's request for Colloquium II was not approved.
- j. Dr. Hoedemaker successfully completed Colloquium I.
- k. Dr. Brunie successfully completed Colloquium I.
- l. Dr. Purchard successfully completed Colloquium II and was given permission to start an unsupervised case.
- m. Dr. Harvey Lomas withdrew his letter to the Chairman regarding choice of training analyst.
- n. In regard to Dr. Wolfenstein's letter inquiring about the possibility of financial support from the Institute for his training analysis, the Chairman will write him that no decision has yet been made about the possibility of a scholarship fund, that the matter is under consideration, but it is not known when a decision will be reached.

4. Admissions Committee:

Drs. Borenstein and Franzblau were selected for training.



5. Review of Reporting Vote Count in Minutes:

Motion: Dr. Rangell moved, s/Dr. Brunswick, m/c, that the manner in which motions are carried or not carried is reported should be left to the discretion of the person writing the minutes; and if someone desires that the count be recorded, he should bring this up for discussion.

6. Discussion of Joint Committee Report on Reorganization of the Training School:

Dr. Atkins stated that the Joint Committee was going to hold its last meeting on October 11. He requested that Education-Committee members who have comments or suggestions please send them to him in writing.

7. Child-Analysis Committee:

Dr. Williams reported that Dr. Ekstein will teach the course on Childhood Psychoses.

8. New Business:

- a. Dr. Greenson requested the Education Committee to grant him a leave of absence for the time being. Since the Education Committee has no ruling covering such a request, no action could be taken.
- b. The Education Committee decided since Dr. Vatz will not be here for the November meeting, to hold the next meeting on Thursday, December 8, 1966. In case it becomes necessary, it agreed that Dr. Leo Rangell should call and chair a November meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Jack A. Vatz, M. D.  
Chairman

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