

LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY

BUSINESS MEETING

Time: Thursday, April 17, 1962, 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. by Dr. Futterman, President. There thirty-seven members in attendance.

1. The minutes of the meeting of March 15, 1962, were accepted as distributed.

2. Committee on Social Issues:

Dr. Futterman called on Dr. Dorn, Co-Chairman of the Committee on Social Issues, to answer any questions regarding the resolution which had been circulated to the membership. He also commented that the New York Society has passed a resolution and that with support from us, the resolution might come up in the morning sessions of The American Psychoanalytic Association.

Dr. McDowell asked for further background and information on the resolution. Dr. Futterman explained that this resolution had emerged from the work of the Committee on Social Issues which was organized in January, 1962, after the original resolution, presented by Dr. Rubin, was rejected by the Society.

Dr. Walsh quoted from Glover who believed that pacifist movements die because they are themselves aggressive; Dr. Walsh favored adhering to the quotation from Freud.

Dr. Dorn agreed that Freud's statement was the most acceptable and asked what more might evolve so that Dr. Lawrence Friedman, as Councilor, could go to the Annual Meeting of The American Psychoanalytic Association and transmit our thoughts, sentiments, and wishes for action. Dr. Friedman is not bound by this request; our aim, however, is to be constructive.

Dr. McDowell was troubled by possible implications that we were sponsoring some practical approach to the handling of the international crisis, particularly the issue of Communism, and feels that we have neither the right nor the knowledge to do so. Dr. Futterman pointed out the absence of such implications in the resolution as it stands. Dr. McDowell favored the addition of the following: "This statement does not presume to imply or give any advice nor take any position toward actual tactical or strategic action of our government in relation to international conflicts." He thought a scientific committee to do research without taking

sides might be set up. Dr. Futterman noted that the Committee was collecting all material available. Dr. Dorn reiterated that we did not want to be a political group. A vote was taken on the resolution as amended by Dr. McDowell. Thirteen favored passage of the amended resolution while twenty opposed it.

Dr. Furniss questioned the legality of the procedure and urged that we be more specific for fear of being misquoted.

Dr. Dorn moved that the statement as circularized be approved by the Society for the purpose of instructing our Councilor in regard to our wishes. Dr. Walsh amended that motion to include with the statement a recommendation for the formation of a scientific committee of The American Psychoanalytic Association for the purpose of implementing the essence of this statement through further study and investigation of the issues involved. Dr. Rollman-Branch seconded the motion. There were twenty-nine votes in favor of the amended motion, one against. Motion carried.

Dr. Friedman suggested that a letter be sent to The American Psychoanalytic Association requesting that this issue be placed on the agenda. Dr. Futterman asked the Secretary to send such a letter.

3. Membership Committee:

It was announced that Ira M. Carson, M. D., has applied for Active Membership in the Society. *Car*

4. Announcements:

Dr. Futterman announced the following:

- a. On April 26, 1962, Dr. Charles Sarlin will present his paper on "The Feminine Identity" at the home of Dr. Morris Beckwitt.
- b. Dr. Mott, who recently underwent surgery, is now at home and progressing well in his convalescence.
- c. Dr. Futterman turned the meeting over to Dr. Rollman-Branch, who, as Secretary of the Committee for Western-Hemisphere Hospitality, reported the following:

At the end of the last meeting of the International Psycho-Analytical Association, Dr. Charles Tidd expressed for himself and others a desire to reciprocate to our foreign colleagues, who are put to considerable expense connected with holding the meetings in European countries. They have always entertained us most graciously; and it was considered appropriate for us to host at least one party, the expenses of which we would defray. A generous but not too ostentatious cocktail and buffet for all those registered at the next meeting in

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Stockholm was deemed most desirable by Drs. Friedman, Rollman-Branch, and Hannett, who comprise the Committee. There would be tables set up at which people from various parts of the world could mix freely. Each Western registrant would contribute between \$30 and \$40 to cover his own expenses and those of three or four Europeans. Contributions are purely voluntary. The Committee is not soliciting funds, but none will be refused. All Western societies will be notified and a preliminary questionnaire regarding attendance and participation will be distributed.

The Committee also uncovered a possibility of saving \$200 in fare per person if twenty-five or more travel together in the same coach plane. This is not a chartered flight. Questions as to intention to attend the meeting will be included in the questionnaire so that this possible saving may be pursued further.

Dr. Friedman commented on the willingness of the American Embassy to co-operate, even to the point of offering the Embassy for the party. However, its capacity of 240 precluded the acceptance of this offer, since we shall need larger quarters.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Helen Tausend, M. D.
Secretary

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