

ISSTD Executive Council Conference Call
Sunday, January 28, 2007
11:00 am -12:30 pm

Members in Attendance:

Catherine Classen, PhD – President; Annita B. Jones, PsyD; Andreas Laddis, MD; Etzel Cardena, PhD; Joanne Towmbly, MSW, LICSW; Janina Fisher, PhD; Lisa Butler, PhD; Remy Aquarone, MSc; Vedat Sar, MD; and George Rhoades, PhD

Members Not Able to Attend:

Eli Somer, PhD; Janina Fisher, PhD; Suzette Boon, PhD;

Staff in Attendance:

Gregg Robinson, CAE; Spencer Boulter

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established.

Annual Conference

Catherine Classen and Vedat Sar began discussion on the 2007 Annual Program and mentioned that the Call for Proposals is complete and will be sent out mid February. There will be a task force established to address conference improvement. The task force will include Kathy Steele and Paul Dell.

A invitation for Dr. Kramer as a presenter for the DSM-V is being considered. Questions were raised about her interest in the society. Further discussion on plenary speakers would be held at a later date. Consideration is being given to the development of a second flyer for clinicians. Consideration is also being given to adding something in the pre-con brochure for clinicians. A discussion will be continued the following week on the yahoo listserv.

Finance Report

November financials were presented by Annita Jones. As of November 31, 2006 the society had \$176,586 in cash and net assets (reserves) \$203,559. On January 1, 2006 there was a beginning balance of \$287,843 and on November 31, 2006 there is a balance of \$175,591.

The operating budget consists of \$514,786 in revenue and \$558,826 in expenses. The projected year end revenue is \$491,130 and expenses of \$356,858 resulting in an excess of expenses over revenue of (\$45,727). As of November 31, 2006 there is revenue of \$476,642 and expenses of \$463,362 resulting in excess revenue over expenses of \$13,729.

Membership

Joanne Twombly gave the membership report and noted that the membership is 1373. This is in keeping with past years and does contain 88 ESTD member. Total membership for 2006 is expected to be near 1400.

The idea of an agency rate for membership was mentioned and ideas were entertained about local agencies that might be near a future meeting site. This idea is being given further thought.

The idea of having your membership renewed each year automatically by headquarters by charging your credit card was considered. This option can take place and will be given consideration for next year.

Motion:

It was moved that all membership application form have a check box that allows for permission to automatically charge membership dues until headquarters is notified to cancel.

The motion was seconded.

Action:

The motion was approved that all membership application forms have a check box that allows for permission to automatically charge membership dues until headquarters is notified to cancel.

DDPTP Directors

Motion:

It was moved to increase the number of DDPTP directors to 6 and to name Annita Jones and Don as Directors.

The motion was seconded

Action:

The motion was approved to increase the number of DDPTP directors to 6 and to name Annita Jones and Don as Directors.

Committees

Committee chair appointments were distributed for review and Catherine Classen reported the Nominating Committee will be added to the list to be ratified. It was also noted that The Center for Chronic Trauma and Resilience is not ready to be ratified. Catherine will contact Clair Pain about who should be responsible for Fellow Application.

Motion:

It was moved that the revised committee list be ratified as amended.

The motion was seconded.

Action:

The motion was approved to accept the revised committee list be ratified as amended.

Web site status

Catherine Classen reviewed the status of the web site committee and recognized the need for a committee to review web site content. This committee will need to be established right away.

Motion:

It was moved that the website meta tag be changed to say “the treatment of trauma and dissociative disorders”

This motion was seconded.

Action:

The motion was approved to have the website meta tag be changed to say “the treatment of trauma and dissociative disorders”

Collaboration Efforts

Collaborative efforts among ISSTD and other related organizations were discussed. This included the idea of the different areas of conference sponsorship which will be further discussed in February.

The opportunity to sponsor George Rhoades as a speaker at the upcoming IVAT conference in Hawaii in the amount of \$250-\$500 was reviewed and approved by the Executive Council.

In addition it was felt that the ISSTD should consider developing a budget for the development and use of conference marketing materials.

Strategic Planning Meeting

The Strategic Planning meeting will take place on February 15-17, 2007 at the Intercontinental Hotel in Boston, MA. Arrivals are scheduled for the evening of Thursday, February 15 with the Strategic planning session taking place on Friday and Saturday (half day). In addition, there will be a break in the strategic planning session where we will hold a brief 2 hour board meeting on Thursday afternoon.

Adjournment:

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned. 12:34 pm