

MINUTES JANUARY 19, 1991

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee meeting was held at Pat McGinty's home in Louisville, Kentucky at 9:30 a.m. on 1/19/91.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Kruger, Mary Ann Sarmir, Pat McGinty, Stacy Heck, Bill Pfohl, Bob Munroe, Skip Cleavinger, Cookie Cahill Flower, Mike Walters, Lin Cook, Karen Collier, Teesue Fields, Mike Norris, Jim Batts, Connie Adams, Jennifer Elam.

SECRETARY (Mary Ann Sarmir)

-a motion was made to approve the previous minutes.

TREASURER (Bob Munroe)

-passed out a mid-year report, the total assets as of 12/30/90 were \$9,679.76.

-passed out copies of the new invoice which was adapted from the Board of Education in his district.

-reminded members that reimbursement for mileage was increased to .20.

PAST PRESIDENT (Bob Kruger)

-summarized the 2-day NASP conference held in Minneapolis on Educational Reform. In addition to Bob, Lesa Billings and Fred Williams (Superintendent of Ft. Thomas schools) attended from the state of Kentucky. Four other states were represented. The activities included sharing information on reform in their state, state group presentations, and work sessions which included prioritizing issues and strategic planning.

-passed out copies of the revised survey of psychological assessment services. Reported that Lesa Billings had passed out copies to State Department personnel and additional modifications were suggested. Will have one more revision so asked for further suggestions. It was agreed to place the School Personnel category first rather than contractual personnel and to send out the survey from the State Department of Education to increase responsiveness. A discussion was held on whether the survey should only target assessment personnel while leaving out additional job activities. Bob reported that he did not want to cloud the issue but begin with a clear picture of who provides assessment throughout the state. It was clarified that the survey was the outgrowth of the 5-year plan. Bob reported that he would like to review the survey further. Bill Pohl suggested contacting Jeff Grime as a resource for the collection of on-going data.

-as KASA liason will be attending an intensive strategic planning conference next weekend (Jan 25-27) in Frankfort.

PRESIDENT (Pat McGinty)

-reported that she attended the SE Regional Leadership conference with Bill P. and Jim B. from 11/30 to 12/20/90. All the SE states were represented. There was a workshop on financial planning, a NASP update and networking. Briefly discussed information on financial planning and reported that the information would be given to Bob Munroe if the EC would like to pursue changes in this area.

-reported that the Restructuring Education Conference, attended by Bob K. and Lesa Billings, was reviewed by Sue Burkholder. The agenda for the five states in attendance was to discuss common issues and concerns and to gain information for dissemination to other groups in NASP. Purpose of the state reform, special features and preliminary outcomes in each state were discussed. Ky had the broadest reforms. Other states will be watching to see what develops in Ky. Common features include site-based decision making, high involvement of principal as manager, use of functional assessment, outcome-based planning, integration of special education, special education cost reduction, and alternate funding mechanisms. Suggested seeing Bob and Lesa for more details.

-attended one day of the MidSouth regional conference in early November. KAPS has been invited to join them in planning and sharing expenses and income for the 1992 conference. The contract for the 1990 conference was discussed at this meeting. Louisiana and Arkansas were also considering involvement. The meeting was tentatively scheduled for Mississippi but will be up to the planning committee to determine the location. A discussion was held on whether KAPS should join the conference. It was clarified that they were unwilling to change the fall date of the conference, we must pay a \$500.00 fee from which the profits are split and the conference is held every two years. It was concluded that Pat would write a letter declining membership at the present time.

-reported that Karen Collier was selected to represent Kentucky for the NASP School Psychologist of the year award after much deliberation by those appointed to consider the nomination at the fall convention. There are now 23 states in the running and selection will take place in March. Stressed that the EC needed to consider now the selection process for the Ky 1992 representative. The nomination needs to be submitted next November. Felt there needed to be more input from our membership and longer consideration before selection. It was agreed that Pat and Bob K. would collaborate on the procedures.

-Reminded members that the NASP media day is March 7, 1991. The Communique carried information on this topic in the last edition. The EC was encouraged to deliberate and consider how to publicize school psychology in the state on this day. Discussed Jim B receiving a letter from NASP. PI committee was encouraged to send out mailings although they may need broad assistance to reach many of areas of the state at the same time. Stressed that it was important to act soon to get some media coverage scheduled.

-reported that nominations for President and Secretary are due at the end of this month. Encouraged members to give serious consideration to either nominate someone or run for the office. The election must take place at the end of March according to the Operating Procedures manual. The tenure begins in July.

-KAPS has been asked to support a resolution for services to handicapped children ages 0 to 2 by Rich Lewis, Early Childhood specialist in JCPS. The funding is being requested so the 3-5 year old funding is not taken away.

-a discussion was held on having a "Professional Day" on Saturday, April 13 at a regional meeting at the last EC. A discussion was held on whether the workshop should be held for 1/2 day. Preliminary discussion centered on having a morning workshop, regional luncheons and an afternoon EC meeting. Some topic ideas were performance based assessment and educational reform pertaining to School Psychologists. Pat suggested submitting ideas for topics and potential speakers. Suggested locations included the KY Horse Park, Maywood and Shakertown.

-reported that it had been suggested that KAPS could have more continuity and active involvement as an organization if we had more EC meetings, perhaps convening bimonthly. The EC was encouraged to discuss the ramifications of this proposal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP (Mike Walters)

-reported the current membership to be 119. Renewal letters would be sent out that week. A new membership packet was developed which included Ethics and CPD information, recent newsletter, KAPS directory, membership card and certificate. Bill P. suggested including NASP membership application. The membership packet will now have Lin's address. It was decided that one fee would be charged regardless of the time of year members joined. A request was made for a "retirement" category which will have the same fee as student. The KAPS membership certificates were misplaced and members were asked if anyone had copies. Jim suggested using the awards certificates. The main task left for the committee is the current directory. Lin has the names in a data base. Bill asked that membership packets be sent to the universities. Pat questioned the need to increase dues which was not felt to be needed at the present time.

LEGISLATIVE (Karen Collier)

-since Karen is new to the committee there was no current news to report. Requested that the phone tree be reviewed.

-raised the issue of the OEEC guidelines, in particular the L.D. guidelines. Reported that her school district was one of the four involved in the pilot project and that they are seeing problems that the other districts don't. A discussion was held on the 3-year re-evaluation procedures such as modifying the use of tests, etc. The point was made that we do not want to alienate the OEEC. The guidelines continue to be revised. A discussion was led by Bill P. on recent lawsuits brought by the Civil Rights Act regarding students not receiving adequate services. It was brought to the members attention that we needed to be aware of the H.B. 838 which resulted in the formation of the Regional InterAgency Councils (RIAC).

ETHICS (Cookie Cahill Flower & Tessie Fields)

-since there was no response to the proposed forum the committee has decided to abandon the attempt.

-Jim brought up the issue of the scope of practice and Tessue asked about a column in the newsletter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Michelle Ashton)

-Not present. No report.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Sharon and Mike Kieta)

-Not present. No report.

NEWSLETTER (Bruce Wess and Mike Carr)

-on the written committee report it was reported that the Winter issue of the KAPS review will be published in late February. The theme of the issue will be "School Discipline". Encouraged KAPS members to submit articles on behavior management. The deadline for submission of articles is January 31. Welcomed any themes or topics for the Spring issue. Pat encouraged members to stick to the deadline dates so the issues aren't behind the scheduled publication dates.

PROGRAM (Sue Hoagland and Connie Adams)

-reported the following convention planning news: the convention theme is Home-School Collaboration; Sandy Christenson from the University of Minnesota will provide the full-day presentation on Thursday, September 26, 1991 on the theme; appropriate rooms have been reserved in the Carl Perkins building at the Eastern Kentucky University; the Holiday Inn will rent the Madison Room for half price (\$50) for the social hour and provide rooms for participants at the special rate of \$39 if KAPS reserves 10 rooms; attendance and involvement of other professionals will be encouraged particularly in regard to issues related to the theme of the convention; programs and workshop ideas are welcome, would like to include the topic of Alternatives to Corporal Punishment; the following individuals have agreed to chair committees: 1. Speakers: Bill Pfohl and Garland Niquette 2. Luncheon: Karen Collier 3. Brochures, Hotel, Registration: Connie Adams and Sue Hoagland. Reported needed a chair for public relations although Patsy Thompson is willing to help. It was recommended that they contact Michelle Ashton regarding PR. Connie Adams reported her address to contact for further ideas: 707 N. 2nd St., Day Treatment Center, Richmond, KY

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

EASTERN (Debbie Grub)

-Not present. No report.

CENTRAL (Jennifer Elam)

-reported that a meeting had been held. The new Day Treatment Center is now open.

NORTHERN (Cookie Cahill Flower)

-submitted a regional report that outlined the monthly meetings beginning in August with a social gathering. The following topics were presented: 1. The September meeting featured Michael Walters who described the peer tutoring program he had implemented in his school district. 2. The October meeting featured Dr. Kathy Charvat, a Developmental Pediatrician practicing at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. She discussed her views concerning medical aspects of children's learning problems, ADD and ways in which school psychologist's and pediatricians can further collaborate. 3. The November meeting was devoted to sharing the results of investigations into community resources. Members shared oral and written summaries from their interviews. A Community Resource manual is in the process of being compiled which will be distributed to NKAPS members and other interested parties. Attempts will be made to update it annually. 4. The annual NKAPS Christmas party was held at Bob Kruger's house in December. Bruce Wess has agreed to lead a discussion on effective school discipline during the January meeting.

WEST CENTRAL (Stacy Heck)

-a copy of the KAPS five-year plan goals and a cover letter were sent to each member prior to Thanksgiving. In the letter, members were encouraged to make suggestions/recommendations for attaining the goals and to volunteer for committee work. There has not been a response to the mailing.

-a spring meeting is planned to coincide with the April 13 Professional Development Day. The members will gather at lunch. Another mailing is planned to provide information about the activity planned for this day and to remind members about the planned luncheon meeting.

-Plans to develop and send out to each regional member a copy of the radio spot and news release to assist them in publicizing National School Psychology Media Day on March 7. The mailing will occur by February 15.

WESTERN (Skip Cleavinger)

-reported that as an outgrowth of the fall conference meeting, members agreed to meet three times per year in Bowling Green, Paducah, and Owensboro. The first meeting was held on December 7 with Nancy Lacount as the guest speaker. During the morning hours a business meeting was held and questions for Nancy were generated. Following lunch, an informal, round table discussion was held on the assessment and eligibility standards. Nineteen members were in attendance. The next meeting is planned for March 1. The probable topic was the EBH guidelines. The last meeting will be held at the end of the school year. The region sent flowers to Jenny Ewald who is ill and on extended leave. The group has also decided to develop a resource manual of the Western region.

STUDENT (Kelly Scott)

-Not present. No report.

NASP DELEGATE REPORT (Jim Batts)

-encouraged attendance at the NASP convention and advised circulating the NASP publication manual.

-on January 2 Peg Dawson sent a letter regarding a request by the Department of Defense for School Psychologists to serve as support persons for military bases in Europe where parents may be in the Persian Gulf.

-passed out a copy of the NASP issued statement urging restraint against military action.

-had an Executive Board meeting in January. Discussed change in offices and full time staff.

-wants Peg Dawson to write a letter commending the Banning of Corporal Punishment and offering help with the development of alternatives.

PRESIDENT-ELECT (Bill Pfohl)

-the theme for his presidency will be the same as the convention. Other issues on his agenda had already been discussed.

STATE CONSULTANT REPORT (Lesa Billings)

-Not present.

LIASON REPORTS

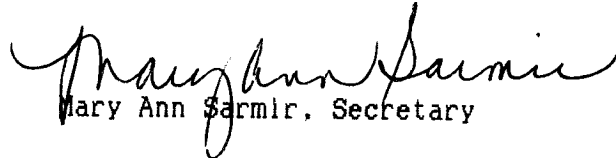
KASA (Bob Kruger) See above.

KPA (Mike Norris) .

KMHC (Pat McGInty) Reported that she continued to attend meetings.

KACD (Sue Hoagland) Connie reported that Sue plans to attend the upcoming meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Ann Sarmir, Secretary