

# KAPS

## Kentucky Association for Psychology in the Schools

### MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 28, 1984 GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

A general business meeting was held during the third annual KAPS Convention held at Eastern Kentucky University on September 28-29, 1984. Bob Illback called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. All of the members of the Executive Council and approximately 40 other KAPS members were present.

#### OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**SECRETARY:** Pat McGinty passed out copies of the minutes of the Executive Council meeting in Frankfort on September 17, which were read and approved. Pat reported that she will forward to the EC the minutes of the September 6th Mental Health Coalition meeting. The next meeting of the Coalition will be November 1st in Louisville.

**NASP DELEGATE:** Pat related that there is a delegate assembly October 11-14 in Chicago. She will send out information to the membership following this meeting. The NASP Best Practices Manual will be available January 1985. Joe Zins, Southeast Director, reported that the Communique will feature this region in the November issue.

**TREASURER:** Alan Kite reported that there is a balance of \$1911.46. He has already received \$260 in membership dues. We netted \$407.91 from KAPS' first Summer Institute. Alan reported on EC expenses, noting that the CPD program has cost minimally.

**PAST PRESIDENT:** Joe Zins reported on the current revision of KAPS By-laws. Some areas under consideration for change include the composition and terms of the EC, the purpose of the organization, committees and liaisons, membership categories, and how the fiscal year is defined. Joe asked for volunteers to help with the formal draft of the new by-laws. Following this discussion, the proposed changes will be published in the newsletter so that the full membership will have the opportunity for input.

Steve DeMers, as a member of the Kentucky Board of Psychology, related that this Board will have to go to the legislature in 1986 for changes in KRS 319, which governs the practice of psychology in the state because of increases in the cost of the licensing exam. He encouraged the Legislative Committee to begin to plan for school psychology issues related to this law since there are already some proposed changes being formulated by KPA. Since Steve has been appointed to the Governor's Panel on Gifted and Talented, he asked us to give him input on the roles of school psychologists in this area, as well as identification and programming for the Gifted.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Bobbie Burcham reported that there were 115 members in KAPS last year. The membership drive is on. When renewing, members

need to be sure to sign up for committees. We have new membership certificates. There is a proposal to contact people for membership by regions.

**LIASON AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Ronda Talley reported that 3000 copies of the new KAPS brochure have been printed. We have a display booth which was taken to the KASA Conference in July. KAPS was officially voted in as a KASA affiliate at this conference. The Governor, Jefferson County Judge and Mayor of Louisville all declared the week of September 23-29 as School Psychology Week. Ronda sent out 3-400 packets of materials to KAPS members, the Pritchard Committee members, and school superintendents to inform them of the proclamations. She now has a computerized mailing list, to which she plans to add radio, television and newspaper information. Ronda is working on a formal process for contacting media. There will be an article about school psychology in the ECE newsletter and a paper will be submitted to CEC and KEA. Ronda reported on KAPS activities to the KPA Board and their favorable reaction to the level of initiatives undertaken.

**ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS:** Peggy reported that the newly adopted Ethics Code is in the Convention folders. NASP has also adopted a new Code and it parallels KAPS but differs somewhat in content. NASP has a formal adjudication procedure. This committee will begin to develop one. Pat Guthrie offered to share the one developed by KACD. Peggy also reported on the Ethics panel at this convention and her appointment to the KASA Ethics Committee. She reminded us that we may contact her with any ethical concerns or complaints.

**PROGRAM:** Charlene Ponti and John McDonald reported on the 4 programs provided KAPS members: Behavioral Interventions, with Charles Maher. Microcomputer applications in school psychology at Fort Knox, the Summer Institute at Richmond in July and this convention. This committee is currently planning a summer institute and fall conference and requested some suggestions. They recognized the following people for their assistance with the Convention: Sue Hoagland and Bobbie Burcham - registration; Bob Kruger - awards; Cookie Cahill - her expertise derived from previous conventions; Marcia McElvoy, Bill Knauf and Bruce Wess - photography. There were 106 people registered for this convention, which represents a 25-30 percent increase. There was considerable discussion centering around the expansion of the conference to a full two-day program, changing to other sites beside Richmond, and having a "theme" convention. Some of the proposals were to expand the conference to Thursday night or Saturday afternoon, consider rotating the conference around the 4 university programs, consider other areas for regional meetings and explore KASA contract services for management of conferences. The program committee concluded that there will have to be a needs assessment to consider all the changes proposed.

**NEWSLETTER:** Bill Knauf reported some difficulty with timelines for the newsletter. There will be pictures in the upcoming issues. They need contributions and suggested that conference participants might wish to write up their paper presentations for publication in the KAPS Review. Regional reporters are needed in Jefferson County, Lexington, Northern Kentucky and South Central. Also Bill reminded us that we need to let them know about changes of address.

**CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** Teesue Fields reported on the

revised CPD guidelines. There were 25 members this past year; others are encouraged to participate. There are 4 active members of this committee; they met twice this year to consider the materials submitted by applicants to the CPD program. Teesue said that they need more committee members; they will pick a geographical area close to meet. Letters will be sent in March and August to let participants know the deadline for submitting data with documentation. Teesue suggested that a sign-in sheet for meetings/workshops attended by KAPS members with the presenter's signature could be completed and sent to the CPD Committee.

**STATE CONSULTANT:** Pat Guthrie reported on the completion of the School Psychology Handbook. KDE continues with the certification program. To date there are 126 school psychologists certified and over one-half of the school districts employ a school psychologist. The last exam was given in June and over 50 percent who took it passed. Pat introduced Margaret McClain, the new Director of the Division of Student Services, who in turn reported on special projects at KDE, the missing children program, written discipline codes for all school districts, drug and alcohol prevention programs, increased parent involvement in schools, and the Pritchard Committee for Academic Excellence.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Randy Kamphaus introduced Cookie Cahill as the new co-chair of the legislative committee. He reported that there is now a first draft of the position paper on funding for school psychological services. This is to be used in contacting legislators. We do not have a lobbying budget so we will need to find good legislative contacts for our legislative concerns.

**PRESIDENT:** Bob Illback introduced Betty Cox, President of CEC and the chairperson of the CASE special education coalition which plans to serve as a forum for legislative initiatives concerning the educational problems of handicapped students. Betty related that the coalition is seeking groups to be involved as CEC, KAPS and others, such as parent groups. A training session is scheduled for October 29.

Bob then introduced the subject of a dues increase, which had been discussed at a prior EC meeting. After some discussion, it was decided that KAPS would seek to raise dues to \$25 for the 1985-86 fiscal year. This proposal will be sent out to the membership for a vote. Bob ended the meeting by passing out certificates of recognition to members of the EC.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Submitted by Pat McGinty, Secretary



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MINUTES OF THE JUNE 17, 1985 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The Executive Council of KAPS met at KASA headquarters in Frankfort, Kentucky on June 17, 1985. Bob Illback called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. The following Executive Council members were present: Bob Illback, Marcia McElvoy, John MacDonald, Randy Kamphaus, Peggy Harrell, Charlene Ponti, Cookie Cahill, Ronda Talley, Alan Kite, and Pat McGinty.

### OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**SECRETARY:** Pat McGinty reviewed the minutes which had been sent to EC members and the minutes were approved as written.

**MENTAL HEALTH COALITION LIASON:** Pat reported that Ronda represented KAPS at the MHC Dinner for Legislators on May 24. Ashar Tullis is retiring as Director of the Kentucky Mental Health Association and a new director is being sought. Ronda and Bob represented KAPS at the Mental Health Fair on the Belvedere in Louisville in May..

**NASP DELEGATE:** Pat reported that Kentucky has 102 NASP members, which represents more than 80 percent of those eligible to join NASP. She discussed and shared newsletters from new special interest groups in NASP. In addition to CTASP, which focuses on computer applications, there are Preschool, Social-Emotional Assessment and Intervention, and Family-School Psychology Interest Groups. The changes in NASP professional liability insurance coverage and rates were discussed. At this time NASP has not been able to arrange private practice coverage and recommends St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company as having the lowest rates. Roger Piwowarski wrote for information to be considered by the Colorado Society of School Psychologists, which is attempting to write a position paper against the use and interpretation of intelligence tests by non-psychologists.

**PAST PRESIDENT:** Joe Zins was unable to be at this meeting. Bob Illback reported the results of the state election. Ronda Talley is President-Elect and Bob Krueger is Secretary. They take office July 1. 47 members voted in this election. Results of the NASP election are as follows: Alex Thomas, President-Elect, Joe Zins, Secretary and Pat Howard, Southeastern Regional Director.

**TREASURER:** Alan Kite reported that the treasury balance is \$2619.99. Alan is working on the budget for the 1985-86 fiscal year. Randy Kamphaus requested \$200 to put together a legislative handbook for KAPS members. The EC discussed travel reimbursement. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that KAPS will reimburse at the rate of 15 cents per mile for travel to and from EC meetings, committee meetings, or on official KAPS business, committee members for travel that is approved by the respective committee chair, and for lodging under special circumstances when on KAPS business and approved in advance by the Treasurer. Travel to the annual convention will not

be reimbursed.

**PRESIDENT:** Bob Illback reported that the issue of counselor testing will be considered at the July Board meeting of the State Board of Education. According to Margaret McClain, the Kentucky Department of Education will propose that counselors continue to receive endorsement to do IQ testing, with the provision that they have lifetime certification with 9 hours of coursework by 1987. Laurel True, Secretary to the SBE, will conduct a hearing on this issue on July 2. John MacDonald and Pat McGinty offered to attend this hearing. We are also seeking others to testify against this proposal. Randy will attempt to get a special education administrator to attend the hearing. Bob reported that the Kentucky School Counselors are against counselor testing. In addition, KASA is being asked to mediate this issue among member organization on July 2. Pat Guthrie is to send a draft of the proposal to Bob who will forward it on to the EC members.

Bob related that there was no support from the Council on Teacher Certification for making school psychologist certification equivalent to teacher certification as a prerequisite for administrator certification. Their focus will be on reorganization of the categories of administrators.

The KAR's revisions are not likely to be completed till November. Assessment regulations are still in draft form. The LD Steering Committee will meet Tuesday, June 25, to reach a decision on a state-wide formula for determining LD and plans for implementation.

The Consultation position paper, written by John Murphy, Marcia McEvoy, and Robert Krueger, was discussed and unanimously approved by the EC. An Educational Leadership Proposal by Bob Duncan was discussed. He will provide KAPS with a workshop in exchange for our sponsorship of this Instructional Leadership Program. Bob Duncan will coordinate publicity and preparations for his program.

**ETHICS COMMITTEE:** Peggy Harrell reported that the committee had meetings in February and June, working on KAPS adjudication procedures. She passed out copies of NASP Adjudication Procedures. Peggy related that she has copies of adjudication procedures for California, Illinois, Ohio, Tennessee, and KACD. She plans to have a draft ready by the next EC meeting. Peggy is to get from Joe Zins a copy of the NASP procedures to investigate ethical complaints. Peggy wants to have all the ethics documents professionally printed. It was suggested that these might be printed in the proposed Consumers' Guide for Psychological Services.

**LIASON AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:** Ronda Talley reported that the KAPS poster is in process. The photography will be finished by June and the poster will be printed in July. KPA has appointed three of its members to consider the development of a Consumer's Guide to Psychological Services. Pat McGinty and Randy Kamphaus volunteered to join Ronda as KAPS members of this committee. KPA's main initiative will be pursuing the revision of KRS 319. Ronda has some public service announcements that are to be on Louisville television stations. She requested \$50 to purchase some VHS tapes to be used on other Kentucky stations. Ronda is planning to write an EDNEWS article the end of July. Ronda recently attended the KASA Resolutions Committee meeting. She was instrumental in having the need for

increased counseling and school psychological services included as a resolution. Ronda shared information on the Kentucky Institute for Women in School Administration. She encouraged interested EC members to see her for more information. The deadline is June 28.

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:** Randy Kamphaus reported that this committee met in late April to draft the unit funding proposal which he disseminated. Since the state already spends \$310,000 for contractual services, a recommendation in this proposal is for a state-funded experimental school psychological services program. Randy requested that EC members review the proposal and forward comments to him or a member of the Legislative Committee by June 24. The EC unanimously approved the proposal.

Randy discussed the proposal for a Legislative Action Handbook to be developed this summer at the Institute. It will be similar to the NASP Legislative Handbook. There was some discussion of a Convention legislative workshop to develop a legislative agenda and target bills to lobby for. It was also suggested that a legislator be the keynote speaker at the Convention banquet.

Cookie Cahill reported that she and Ronda met with Sheila Shuster, KPA President-elect, to discuss KRS 319. After some discussion, it was decided that Randy and Cookie would contact Sheila to discuss concerns raised by EC members concerning this bill.

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE:** Charlene Ponti reported on Convention plans. The theme of the Convention will be Psycho-educational Interventions. There will be three mini-workshops: Pre-Referral Interventions - Zins and Graden, Individualizing Instruction in the Classroom - Duncan, Cognitive Behavioral Techniques in Counseling - Rapin. Tom Kratochwill will present the main workshop on Behavioral Interventions in Schools. Plans are for there to be 9 presentations with the remainder to be offered in a poster session. Joe Zins was recommended to coordinate a committee to select the person to receive the KAPS Award. Ronda has contacted Pro-Ed, DLM, AGS, and PsyCorp for booths at the Convention. They will be charged \$50 to exhibit. Kentucky and Jefferson County have approved September 15-21 as School Psychology Week. KAPS will seek a letter of approval for the Convention from Alice McDonald.

Randy submitted a report on the EKU/KAPS Summer Institute to be held July 9-10. KAPS will split profit/debts 60%-EKU and 40%-KAPS.

**NEWSLETTER:** Marcia McEvoy reported that there was much material for the current issue of the newsletter. They encountered trouble with the layout. The newsletter is due out within the next week. Marcia suggested that letters be sent to the vocational school supervisors in appreciation for the work they have done. Marcia stated that there is a need for reporters for the fall issue and more articles from Kentucky school psychologists. July 30 is the next deadline to submit articles. Marcia requested synopsis articles from the Institute workshops.

**CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** Teesue Fields was unable to attend. Bob Illback reported that the CPD requests EC approval to purchase self-study modules on Non-biased Assessment, School Psychology in the Classroom, and School Psychology - State of the Art, which will be available for CPD credit. The next deadline for

submitting CPD materials is August 15. There will be a \$5 renewal fee. Members will be informed by letter.

MEMBERSHIP: Bobbie Burcham was unable to be attend. Peggy Harrell reported for Bobbie that there are now 143 members in KAPS. Dues will increase to \$25 in the fall; student memberships will remain the same. Bobbie is contacting KASA for the fall membership drive. Peggy provided the EC with a list of new members to be added to the directory. Charlene reported that she and Joe are moving and their new address is as follows: 351 Warren Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45220. Their new telephone number is (513) 281-1138.

It was decided that the next EC meeting will be held in Richmond on Thursday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Submitted by Pat McGinty, Secretary