

SOCIETY FOR PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT FOUNDATION

Minutes for the Spring Board of Trustees Meeting
March 15-16, 2017
San Francisco, CA

PRESENT:

Board: Bruce Smith (Presiding), Robert Bornstein, Robert Archer, Paul Arbisi, Giselle Hass, Nancy Kaser-Boyd, Piero Porcelli, Emily Dowgwillo, Ron Ganellen, Virginia Brabender, David Streiner, Hadas Pade, Chris Hopwood, Steven Huprich, JD Smith, Jill Clemence.

Central Office: Monica Tune (Administrative Director)

I. SPA Foundation

A. Welcome (*Smith*)

Bruce welcomed the board members to the Foundation meeting and thank them for their service.

B. Finances (*Arbisi*)

Paul indicated that we have a problem because the foundation needs to pay the society for the expenses of the awards and then we continue to fund the awards. This is going to be a major expense. He said that donations to the foundation have been stable but are low and they continue to decrease. We should be putting 20K in investment to make this money produce for the awards. It is clarified that the Foundation is a 501c3 and the society is a 501c6. The issue here is that the foundation is free to donate money to the society for non-political purposes such as research and education. However, the society cannot deposit money into the foundation. The Foundation does not have a lot of money.

Virginia commented that soliciting only when members renew is not conducive to people contributing. We should think about conducting a drive at another time of the year. Paul opines that we need to have a goal, think about what we want to accomplish, and we need to cultivate donors and relationships. The most important issue is that we need a story, for instance, to have travel funds that we want to support. If we have a range of possibilities instead of one single issue people will feel that they contribute to what calls to their heart.

ACTION ITEM: Bruce will write a column for The Exchange more extensively about what donations are for and what we want to accomplish.

The issue of naming is discussed, in terms of what kind of name rights we need to get and how to solicit a bequest.

ACTION ITEM: Nancy will help the foundation determine what to do to inform people about how to give a gift, inherit SPA or provide a bequest.

For the Exner award the deadline is July, and this year's winner is Danielle Burchett.

A. Foundation Board Membership Expansion (*B. Smith*)

We put some names last time to expand the Board, and they have not been approached. Offering a position to Kathryn Sheneman is mentioned.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the President thanked all attendees and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Giselle Hass, Recording Secretary

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Minutes of the Fall Board of Trustees Meeting

September 10, 2017

Georgetown, Washington, D.C.

PRESENT:

Board: Bruce Smith (Presiding), Robert Bornstein, Robert Archer, Paul Arbisi, Giselle Hass, Piero Porcelli, Chris Hopwood, Jill Clemence, Jan Kamphuis, Chris Front, David Streiner, Hadas Pade, Steven Huprich, Jordan Wright.

Central Office: Monica Tune (Administrative Director)

II. SPA Foundation

A. Welcome (*Smith*)

Bruce welcomed the board members to the Foundation meeting and thank them for their service.

ACTION ITEM: We need to put the Foundation agenda in a separate sheet of paper.

B. Election of New Members:

MOTION: to elect the new board members. Motion passed.

John McNulty, Jan Kamphuis, and Chris Front are welcomed as new Foundation Board officers. Thanks are given to parting board officers, Ron Ganellen and Nancy Kaser-Boyd, for their service.

C. Finances (*Arbisi*)

Paul presents the balance sheet as of end of June 2017. There are \$93,736 and there are no changes in the last six months. A withdrawal of \$5,620 will be transferred to SPA to cover meritorious awards, travel, and so forth. The balance will be \$88,116.

D. Donations (*Smith*)

1. It is discussed that we need a push to start getting donations to the Foundation. Initially, the Board had the expectation that board members will contribute to the foundation when we turn in our dues. This is a reminder.

2. We need to reminder board members and members in general at the end of the year. The end of the year is important for tax purposes. Membership renewal already have a slot for contributions.
3. We need to request contributions again a couple of months later. In fact, right after Convention is a good time to solicit. April 1st is offered as a good date.
4. We may want to make it easier for members to contribute by providing them with options such as: smaller amounts in monthly basis. Monica reminds us that this needs to be done through an automatic draft from their bank because if they want to use a credit card it would have to be done manually.
5. Bruce mentioned that it is worthwhile to remind people of the functions of the foundation. This issue of The Exchange will have a presentation of the Foundation, and the relationship between the foundation and the society. This article will also discuss how the Foundation donate or fund activities for the society.
6. It is discussed that if we were to have more money to fund research and activities, how exactly do we do that? It is mentioned that we need to have a high wall between the Society and the Foundation. We need to disburse funds and account where the Foundation moneys go. We do not want to be seen as raising money to advocate for practice because that is outside the scope of the Foundation.
7. The discussion turns to being more active about development of funds. Nancy was going to write an article about bequest, how and why. Paul remind us that we need to discuss this process with an attorney because there may be issues when people take the tax write off while alive.
8. There are questions about what happens when there is a project taken by the society and being funded by both the foundation and by the society. Paul indicated that as long as within the mission of the Foundation is ok. We have had funds donated to the foundation for research in the past.
9. **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a. To make a second call for donations around March or April.
 - b. Bruce will remind Nancy to send something on Bequest to David, so it can be published in The Exchange.
 - c. We need to take a look at the mission of the foundation, and make sure it is clear. Bylaws are in the website, we can download them and take a look. We may not need to revise the mission but provide practical information about what the foundation does, provide examples, etc. Officers need to bring this feedback to the next Foundation meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the President thanked all attendees and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Giselle Hass, Recording Secretary