

American Headache Society
Behavioral Issues Special Interest Section
Meeting Minutes
Saturday, June 30, 2001
8:00 a.m.

Present: Donald Penzien, PhD, Chair; Frank Andrasik, PhD; Reto Agosti, MD (non-member); Steven Baskin, PhD; Mary Basolo-Kunzer, DNSc; Jennifer Crotogino (non-member); Lara Dhingra (non-member); Kathleen Farmer, PsyD; Dieter Gerber, PhD (non-member); Licia Grazzi (non-member); Flora Hoodin; Alvin Lake III, PhD; Gay Lipchik, PhD; Morris Maizels, MD; Angele McGrady; Jan Mundo (non-member); Justin Nash, PhD; Rob Nicholson, PhD; Jeanetta Rains, PhD; Fran Wilkinson, PhD; David Wittrock, PhD

- Dr. Penzien and Dr. Lipchik welcomed and thanked everyone for their attendance. Preliminary agenda was distributed. Dr. Penzien asked that anyone in attendance at this section meeting, who is not a member of the AHS, to please visit the AHS website to obtain an application for membership to join.
- Dr. Penzien gave a brief updated on the strategic planning process of the American Headache Society (AHS) and reiterated the goals and objectives of the AHS. Drs. Lake and Rains also provided background information to the committee members. It was reported that the Board requests all sections to meet their original goals and objectives. Dr. Penzien asked for input/revisions of the original goals and objectives. Dr. Penzien handed out a list of the initial goals and objectives and asked that all prioritize the goals. Dr. Penzien would like this section to set a model for other sections to follow.

Dr. Lipchik will compile results of the prioritization of goals and include results in her formal minutes.

After priorities are set, working groups will be assembled to work on meeting the high priority goals. Progress reports will be presented at a future meeting and updates will be presented to the Board.

- It was announced that Drs. Penzien, Maizels, Lake and Rains have all been appointed to the Editorial Board for *Headache*.
- Dr. Lipchik reported that Dr. Penzien's term as Section Chair expires with this meeting. She nominated Dr. Penzien for another 2-year term. She asked for other nominations. There were no other nominations. Dr. Lake seconded the nomination. Unanimous decision that Dr. Penzien will chair the section for another 2-year term. This will be his final term due to time limits set by the Board.

- Discussion ensued regarding the funding of activities. Dr. Penzien stated that Sections cannot solicit their own funds, they must go through the AHS Board.
- Membership issues were discussed. Recommendations to increase the number of psychologists who apply for AHS membership were proposed. Membership issues will be handled by David Wittrock, PhD and Fran Wilkinson, PhD.

Section would like to propose to Board for a reduced membership fee for psychologists and new members attending their first AHS meeting. This proposal may help increase membership.

- In an order to have more behavioral issues and/or speakers presented at the AHS educational symposia a speakers and topics subcommittee will be formed. Possibility of speaker training to be offered to members of the Section.