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## **Behavioral Issues Special Interest Section**

### **Meeting Minutes** **Saturday, June 26, 2010**

**Present:** Rob Nicholson, PhD, Chair; Sutapa Ford, PhD, Secretary; Tim Houle, PhD; Scott Powers, PhD; Nancy Christie, MA, MS; Keith Edwards, MD; Kathleen Farmer, PsyD; Timothy Clark, PhD; Steve Baskin, PhD; Jeanetta Rains, PhD; John Wendt, MD; Alvin Lake, II, PhD; Dawn Buse, PhD; Frederick Taylor, MD; Morris Maizels, MD; Todd Smitherman, PhD

**Staff:** Andrea Taylor

Dr. Nicholson welcomed everyone. Introductions around the table.

Dr. Nicholson encouraged everyone to attend the Sunday symposium presented by the section. He credited Drs. Smitherman and Buse for putting the symposium proposal together.

An update was given on the Behavioral Best Practices project started about three years ago by Drs. Penzien, Maizels, Smitherman and Rains. The group involved met in 2008 to discuss the scope and goals of the project. The project fell behind. Dr. Penzien is going to check with John Rothrock to see if he is still interested in publishing the results of the project. If there is still interest the group will start up the project again.

Dr. Nicholson encouraged the members to submit ideas for possible projects for the section.

AHS is no longer offering APA CEs. Anyone interested in volleying for the reinstatement of APA CE can contact Dr. Nicholson.

Dr. Nicholson gave an update on Headache on the Hill which was once again led by Robert Shapiro. It was a rewarding and positive experience. The participants received good feedback.

Dr. Powers represented pediatrics and behavioral at the NIH meeting regarding funding. In order for the headache field to move forward better research proposals needs to be submitted. The percentage of headache grants funded is the same as other neurological conditions. It may help to collaborate with other pain researchers. Dr. Powers encouraged everyone to contribute to study sections and visit the Center for Scientific Reviewers website.

Elliott Schulman is petitioning the Board for a new Section on Abuse and Maltreatment.

Dr. Nicholson explained the new process on submitting educational proposals for the Annual Scientific Meeting and Scottsdale Headache Symposium. The proposal for consideration for the 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting in Washington, DC, is due on July 31. The proposal for the 2011 Scottsdale Headache Symposium is due on December 31. Dr. Nicholson encouraged the section to submit something to each meeting. If anyone has old proposals in their files please send them to Dr. Nicholson for possible updating and resubmission. He would like to keep a library of all proposals.

Dr. Farmer is currently working with Roger Cady on a mental efficient workload test. She reviewed the specifics of project, but has no data as of yet.

Dr. Edwards reviewed the details on the abstract is submitted for the European Headache Meeting.

Dr. Nicholson would like to propose a co-course with the Post-Traumatic Headache Section. The preference would be for a pre-course. Drs. Farmer and Ford will assist with the proposals. Dr. Nicholson will speak with Alan Finkel, the Chair of the Post-Traumatic Headache Section.

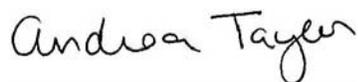
Dr. Nicholson let the members know about the idea that was discussed at the Board of Directors meeting. Sections could present short overviews of their current projects at meetings. This would give sections that aren't selected for courses the opportunity for visibility.

Dr. Taylor is Editor of the ACHE newsletter. He encouraged members to submit articles and content for the website. You will be properly credited for your submissions.

Dr. Nicholson shared the new Section grant submission process. Funding opportunities will be available through Barry Baumel and the American Migraine Foundation.

Dr. Nicholson is a member of the Electronic Media Committee and would like to get more information on the website from this section.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrea Taylor".

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