



Board Meeting Minutes
May 6th, 2023

Mission: Uniting school psychologists to support all students through advocacy, leadership and professional development.

Vision: School psychologists are an integral and dynamic force in fostering student success.

WSASP Goals:

Professional Growth: To encourage and provide opportunities for the professional growth of school psychologists

Recruitment/Retention: To recruit and retain school psychologists in Washington

Guidance: To provide professional guidance for school psychologists in Washington

Expanded Role: To promote the expanded role of the school psychologist here in Washington

Advocacy And Collaboration: To work with other agencies, offices, and organizations in order to advocate for students

Group Norms:

- Respectful discussion
- Stay on task
- Set time limits
- Be solution-focused
- Listen to each other and come to a compromise

Values:

- Social Justice
- Problem Solving
- Whole Student Focused
- Collaborative Communication
- Integrity
- Advocacy
- Courageous Leadership
- Continuous Improvement

Call to Order:

Notes/time: 3:02PM

ROLL CALL

Voting Members



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	President		President-Elect		Past-President		Treasurer		Secretary
x	Carrie Suchy	x	Mikael Olson	x	Cassie Mulivrana	x	Arick Branen	x	Gina Gerardi Caulton
	Area 1A:		Area 1B:		Area 1C:		Area 1D:		Area 2:
	Liz Jones		Larry Ruble	x	Marina Ganotra		Sarah Daley	x	Apryl Yearout
x	Anna Casey		Stephen Griego		Marci Nicholson	x	Krista Helbing	x	Rachel Saldana
	Area 3:		Area 4:		Area 5:		Area 6:		Area 7:
	Julie Apeles		Crosby Wilson		Cecilia Hernandez	x	Sara Allen	x	Laree Foster
	Samantha Slider		Nate McAuliffe	x	Danielle Bentow		Tricia Parker		Amanda Fleck
	Area 8:		Area 9:		Area 10:				
x	Kayleen Campbell	x	Michael Kirlin		Lore'K Garofola				
	Franklin Day	x	Kristin Schuster		Mary Bauer				
Non-Voting Members									
	EWU		Gonzaga		UW Tacoma		U. Washington		Central WA University
	University Rep - Elizabeth Willis		University Rep - Joseph Engler		University Rep - Laura Feuerborn	x	University Rep - Kristen Missall		University Rep - Richard Marsicano
	Student Rep - Katie Orozco		Student Rep - Ridge Bynum	x	University Rep - Kathy Beaudoin		Student Rep - Vacant		Student Rep - Maritsa Rodriguez
	Student Rep - Mark Agrellas				Student Rep - Kaitlyn Crudge				



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	Seattle University				Assessment Committee Chair(s)		Communications Committee Chair(s)		Ethics Committee Chair(s)
x	University Rep - David Fainstein			x	Laree Foster	x	Alex Franks-Thomas	x	Michael Kirlin
	Student Rep - Maegan Richardson				Leayh Abel	x	Mikael Olson		
	Student Rep - Cat McCloskey								
	GPR Committee Chair(s)		Mental Health Committee Chair(s)		PD Committee Chair(s)		Retention & Recruitment Committee Chair(s)		Office Managers and Bookkeeper
	Jill Davidson		Sherri Bentley	x	Arick Branen	x	Cassie Mulivrana	x	Kristi Wilson
x	Anna Casey	x	Danielle Bentow		Tracy Pennington-Branen		Liz Gibson-Myers	x	Sheena Boosinger
						x	Kristin Schuster		
	Social Justice Task Force		Clock Hour Chair		Scope Editor		Webmaster		NASP Delegate
	Marissa Avalon		Amanda Fleck		Matthew Liberty		Ashley Maphis	x	Jo Callaghan
	Olivia Holter								
Other:									

Requirements for a quorum (31 voting members): We must have 16 voting members present for a quorum.



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Review of WSASP Mission, Vision, Norms, and Values

Notes

Approval of Previous Board Minutes

Notes: approved

President-Elect Report

Notes:
Final area rep check in is scheduled.
Monday, May 22nd is the last one!
Continuing and new area reps will be handed over to the new president in June at retreat.

President Report

OSPI has reached out interested in collaborating on future projects pertaining to Special education eligibility within MTSS.

Position open for a WSASP member on the OSPI SEL Advisory Counsel, any volunteers?

Past President Report

Big thank you to those who have served on the board this year. New board members for the 2023-24 school year were announced this week.

President Elect: Anna Casey

Secretary: Kate Salveson

Area 1A: Unfilled

Area 1C: Marina Ganotra and Marci Nicholson

Area 3: Kelly Lam-Scholten and Robin Latham

Area 5: Unfilled

Area 7: Stephanie Kneedler and Jenna Hickey

Area 9: Kristin Schuster and Breanna McGarry



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If you are a committee chair and planning to step down, please email president@wsasp.org

Secretary Report

Notes: No new business. Congratulations to Kate!

Treasurer Report

Notes: In 2012-2013 we had 2,000 in the bank. In 2020 we had 166,000! We are down again but there's reason to be confident that it will bounce back up! We have a big conference coming up.

We will go into much more detail about budget in June at the retreat.

Membership Update

Notes: 926 members.

NASP Representative Update

Notes: Nothing new to report. Western regional meeting was on Monday. Jo will be retiring from SU but will continue to work as a school psyc and stay as our NASP rep.

Clock Hour Chair Update

Not present. Cassie for Amanda: Tracking attendance may be done differently. New system, stay tuned.

Review of Previous Action Items

Notes: None

New Business

Carrie Suchy, President: Motion that we vote to adopt the updated [NASP 2020 Practice Model](#).
How different? Less emphasis on program evaluation and more on being able to evaluate research evidence for practice.



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Motion passed to adopt the updated model with all yays and zero nays.

Carrie Suchy, President: A proposal for Washington State Behavior Analysts

In my work with the ESA Behavioral Health Coalition and WEA ESA Committee I work with some of the first ESA Behavioral Analysts in Washington. They are currently participating in professional organizations at the national level, and within a behavior analyst organization which is not specific to school, but are very interested in forming a school based behavior analyst organization. They have asked for help in this endeavor. I have thought about it and am proposing the following:

We write a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) stating an offer to our Behavior Analyst colleagues across the state to join WSASP as affiliate members until the time that they are able to found their own professional organization.

I would ask that the MOU state:

- That Behavior Analysts affiliate members pay dues equivalent to regular members.
- That they be given member rates for professional development if they should choose to attend.
- Create an Ad Hoc Committee for Behavior Analysts which can be open to regular WSASP members, but will be chaired by Behavior Analysts.
- I would ask that they be permitted to participate on committees as WSASP affiliate members, for our mutual benefit.
- They will not have elected representation or voting rights on the board, the Past President will be responsible for representation of the Behavior Analysts on the Board.
- The MOU would be agreed upon annually by the board until the time that the group is able to found their own organization.

–Motion made and seconded to approve the writing of the memorandum until we had much discussion, then we decided to table.

Concern raised if this memorandum might alienate some sectors of the neurodiverse community that do not feel the BCBA community recognizes their worth. Potentially but BCBAs in schools do not typically practice ABA therapy in the same way as it is practiced in private clinical or hospital-based care.

Also, many BCBAs who practice in schools are coming from a school psychology background and incorporate SEL, sensory integration, OT etc.

We should be careful about our terminology. ABA is a behaviorist approach. But how it is implemented can look very different in different settings.

Wikipedia says: Applied behavior analysis, also called behavioral engineering, is a psychological intervention that applies empirical approaches based upon the principles of respondent and operant conditioning to change behavior of social significance.

Prominent ABA therapy examples include discrete trial training (DTT), modeling, the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS), and reinforcement systems. ABA is a type of behavioral skills training (BST). BST therapy consists of four parts: instruction, modeling, rehearsal, and feedback.



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The BCBA model is a tiered model.

Collaboration is a good thing but unclear how it will look in practice.....

Would a rationale for the collaboration be helpful? This rationale would be in the memorandum.

We do not have MOUs for all affiliate members.
Affiliate members do NOT get discounts on PD.
We have very few affiliate members.

Carrie Suchy, President: Statewide PLC's/Collaboration Meetings

R and R is able to provide structural support for regularly occurring PLC or collaboration meetings by interest area, if folks from other committees or just those with an interest area step forward to facilitate. Two committees have already done this on their own - not endorsed by WSASP (mental health had chats and early childhood and secondary had PLCs. There were bimonthly talks on different topics when Alex was president).

Does the board want to pursue this idea? The idea came out of wanting to provide support for internship supervisors and then broadened out. Does this board want to commit people to manage the logistics of running PLCs?

Vote was taken and we will not pursue it through WSASP.

Assessment Committee Report

Notes: Next committee is Monday May 15th from 4:00-5:00. Ask Laree for the Zoom link.

Laree attended the Gonzaga assessment conference. Moving away from CHC theory to the network theory of intelligence.
One more "Dear Assessment Committee" column.

Not yet is there a chair!

Communication Committee Report

Notes: Last meeting is Wednesday May 10th at 4:30.

One more Scope and two more PWN.
By noon on Thursday is the deadline and it's firm (be nice to Alex :-)



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Thank you, Alex!!

Ethics Committee Report

Notes: Thanks to Laree for co-presenting!!
Started in August with four people. Then it went down to one, and finally we have two members. It's been a rough go.
Does not feel like it has been very successful.
May 17th is the next meeting at 4:30.

GPR Committee Report

Notes: Last meeting has already happened.
Sent non-public agencies advocacy action request to the legislature and the bill passed.
Grad pathways - we provided testimony
5315, 1308 (grad pathways) and 1098 and 1305 were advocacy action requests

There is going to be a summary in the Scope that details these accomplishments!

Mental Health Committee Report

Last meeting has been held already.

Mental Health has been submitting to PWN consistently; there will be an article in SCOPE soon; we just finished our May project for Mental Health Awareness month--a newsletter with lots of info and resources. MH will be looking for two new co-chairs, as current chairs are stepping down.

Professional Development Committee Report

Spectacular line-up for fall conference!!
75 hours of presentations with 4 different presentations per time slot.
22 states and 3 countries will be represented
Collaboration with Alaska and Hawaii to put it on.

During the summer recruitment for moderators will begin. There will be a discount, size dependent on the number of sessions you're willing to moderate.



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Registration rates for fall conference have been set and registration is opening on May 8th. Early Early Bird (\$100) and Early Bird (\$50) registration will be available. The schedule is pretty much set and Tracy has started inputting into Whova. Speakers will be sent Whova speaker links this month.

We are working on finalizing details for the virtual summer summit. It will be a 2 day event, August 10-11. We are waiting to hear back from our speaker, Donna McPeak, on whether we can record. Must pay Sea-Tac Marriott \$8100 to hold it in person and pay off our contract with them (we have one more in the fall of 2024).

We will advertise once we know about permission to record.

Retention and Recruitment Committee Report

Focus on creation of survey targeting statewide internship practices across districts - seeking volunteers who would like to be part of this work

Previous activities included NASP booth, diversity scholarship award, virtual internship fair and virtual job fair.

Continued discussion around year-round SP acknowledgement/awards that roll into fall conference awards

- Technically a past president duty - our procedural manual says we need to be opening awards in the spring and then re-announcing them in the fall before the conference. Cassie will be opening award nominations in May and sending out to districts and sped directors in order to bring attention while it's fresh in our minds who is doing a great job rather than waiting until September. Carrie will probably help.
- Conversation with university reps showed us that we want to be involved with the internship fair and recruitment.

Social Justice Advocacy Committee



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NEW TOPIC
Notes

ACTION ITEMS		
TASK:	COMPLETED BY WHO:	COMPLETED BY WHEN:
Meeting adjourned at 4:10 by Carrie Suchy.		