

Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public
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Mission

The mission of the Board shall be to encourage the generation and application of psychological knowledge on issues important to human well-being. It shall have general concern for those aspects of psychology that involve solutions to the fundamental problems of human justice and that promote equitable and just treatment of all segments of society. BAPPI shall encourage the utilization and dissemination of psychological knowledge to advance equal opportunity and to foster empowerment of those who do not share equitably in society's resources. The Board shall be concerned with increasing scientific understanding and training in regard to those aspects that pertain to, but are not limited to, culture, class, race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age and disability. The Board shall support improving educational and training opportunities for all persons in psychology and continue the promotion of culturally sensitive models for the delivery of psychological services. The Board shall be sensitive to the entire range of APA activities as they pertain to the mission of this Board and make recommendations regarding ethically and socially responsible actions by APA when appropriate. The composition of the Board shall reflect diversity in terms of ethnic minorities, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities and religion, as well as the range of interests characteristic of psychology in all its aspects.

Meetings

All Board meetings convened on the third Thursday of each month for approximately one hour. Executive Committee meetings consisting of the Board Chair, Chair-Elect, and an At-Large member convened on the remaining Thursdays of each month for approximately one hour.

Additional All-Member Board meetings were convened on an as-needed basis while completing its mandatory five-year cycle Self-Study.

Membership

Michael Mobley, PhD (Chair); Shavonne Moore-Lobban, PhD (Chair-Elect); June Ching, PhD (Executive Committee Member); Milton Fuentes, PsyD; Jacqueline Gray, PhD; Babe Howell (Public Member); Alette Coble-Temple, PsyD; Martin Iguchi, PhD; Kimberly Hiroto, PhD

Evangelina Alonso, PsyD resigned during her tenure on the 2019 Board.

Statement of Diversity Representation within the Board

BAPPI continues to have diverse representation within its membership. Specifically, in 2019, BAPPI was comprised of 10 members who were early career psychologists (3), mid-career psychologists (4), late career psychologists (1), and one late career non-psychologist public member. Notably, eighty percent of BAPPI membership self-

identified as people of color, and specifically as African American (1), Asian American (3), Latinx (1), Bi-racial (2), and unidentified (1). Additionally, 6 individuals self-identified women, 2 individuals identified as having a disability, 2 individuals identified within the LGBT community, 1 is a military veteran, and 1 individual is in a religious minority group. Such diversity within our Board allows for diverse thoughts, contributions, and attention to important matters that BAPPI focuses on. Notably, BAPPI also oversees 8 diverse committees with areas of focus as related to ethnic minorities, sexual orientation and gender diversity, women, socio economic status, disability, aging, AIDs in psychology, aging, and children, youth and families.

Major Activities

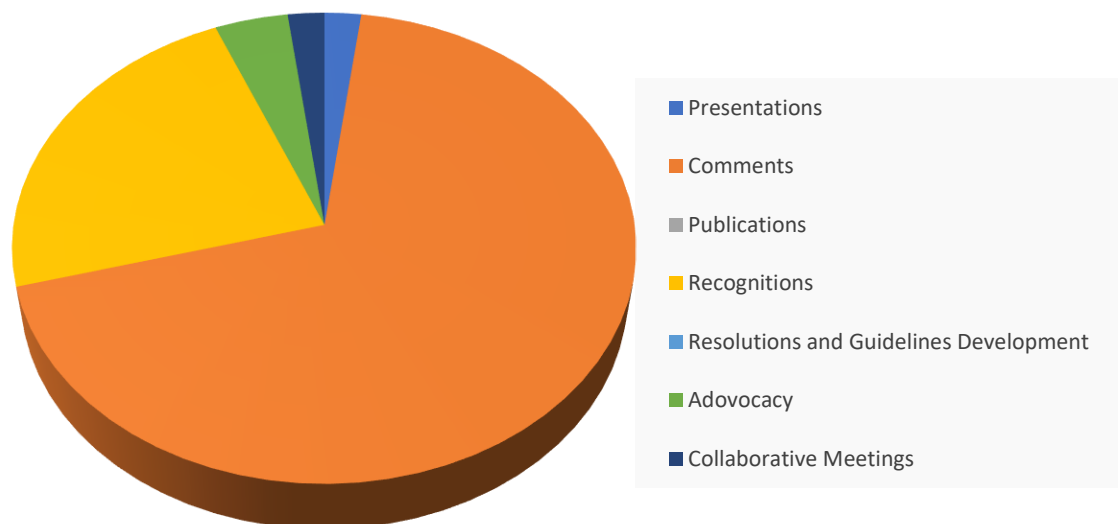
There was a total of 48 activities that Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest participated or initiated in 2019.

Table 1

Type of Activities	# of Activities
Presentations	1
Comments	33
Publications	0
Recognitions	11
Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development	0
Advocacy	2
Collaborative Meetings	1

Figure 1

BAPPI 2019 Activities



Presentations

- BAPPI co-led a 2019 APA Convention workshop, with The American Psychological Association of Graduate Students (APAGS), entitled *Collective Cross-Generational Advocacy*. Presenters (two members each from BAPPI and APAGS) discussed generational advocacy approaches, intersections of advocacy issues, and specific advocacy efforts across individual, interpersonal, organizational, community, and policy levels.

Comments

- Proposed Resolutions on Sexual Orientation Change Efforts and Gender Identity Change Efforts
- Resolution on Ending Homelessness Revisions
- Resolution on Sexual Orientation, Parents and Children
- Resolution on Gender and Sexual Orientation Diversity in Children and Adolescents in Schools
- Resolution on Opposing Discriminatory Legislation and Initiatives Aimed at Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Persons
- Resolution on Drug Abuse Treatment to Prevent HIV Among People Who Inject Drugs
- Resolution on Neuropsychological Assessment of Persons Living with HIV Infection
- Resolution on U.S.-Based Legal Liability Related to Confidentiality and the Prevention of HIV Transmission
- Resolution on Combination Biomedical and Behavioral Approaches to Optimize HIV Prevention
- Proposed Guidelines for the Optimal Use of Social Media in Psychology Practice
- Proposed Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Military Service Members, Veterans, and their Families
- Proposed Guidelines for Education and Training in Psychological Assessment in Health Service Psychology
- Guidelines for Psychological Practice for People with Low-Income and Economic Marginalization: Recommendation to Adopt as APA Policy
- Race and Ethnicity Guidelines in Psychology: Promoting Responsiveness and Equity
- BAPPI Agenda Item #22: Committee on Women in Psychology (CWP) Mission Statement: Request for Approval – Revision
- CONA and COR NBI: Committee Offering Wisdom from Life Status (OWLS)
- CDIP Request for Fall Meeting
- Opioid Document from Arthur Evans
- CDIP Replacement Member
- Revision of Association Rule 10.4.1. Application Procedures Related to Felony Convictions: Call for Comments
- Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct Core Principles: Call for Comments
- Board Member Characteristics: Call for Comments
- APA Advocacy Priorities: Call for Comments
- BAPPI's Role in Implementing APA's Strategic Priorities

- Transition of the Ad Hoc Committee on Psychology and HIV/AIDS to a New Committee with Broader Scope Within Health
- Request for A Taskforce on Universal Design and Accessibility in Education, Training, and Practice
- Proposed Members for the APA Task Force on Differences of Sex Development
- Committee on Women in Psychology (CWP) Mission Statement: Request for Approval
- Request for Comment: NBI20A - Reiteration of APA's Values on Discrimination in Light of Contemporary Resurgence in Discrimination and Hate Crimes
- BAPPI Review of Violent Video Game Taskforce Report
- Establishment of a Task Force to Update the APA Guidelines for the Evaluation of Dementia and Age-Related Cognitive Change

Publications

- There were no publications in 2019.

Recognitions

- 2020 Commission on Accreditation Nominations/Appointments
- CRSPPP Nominations
- Slate for BAPPI Central Programming Group Representative
- 2020 Convention Thought Leaders
- Opioids Initiative Advisory Committee
- BAPPI Review of Slates from Public Interest Committees
- Creating BAPPI Call for Nominations for 2021-2023 Term
- Appointment of a BAPPI Representative to the Coalition for Psychology in Schools and Education
- Preparation of BAPPI Slates for 2020 to 2022 Term
- Appointing BAPPI Members to Committee on Psychology in the Public Interest Awards
- Appointing APA Member to the Needs Assessment, Slating and Campaigns Committee (NASCC)

Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development

- There were no resolutions or guidelines created or developed by BAPPI in 2019.

Advocacy

- Immigration Policy Statement
- BAPPI Practice Leadership Conference Attendees

Collaborative Meetings

- Society for Industrial-Organizational Psychology (SIOP) and the Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest (BAPPI)