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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 engaging and planning the Bias, Stigma, and Discrimination / Equity Flattens the Curve initiative.

Membership

Shavonne Moore-Lobban, PhD (Chair); Alette Coble-Temple, PsyD (Chair-Elect); June Ching, PhD (Executive Committee Member); Milton Fuentes, PsyD; Jacqueline Gray, PhD; Babe Howell (Public Member); Martin Iguchi, PhD; Kimberly Hiroto, PhD; lore dickey, PhD; Wendy Peters, PhD; Scott Hunter, PhD

lore dickey, PhD, and Wendy Peters, PhD, resigned during their tenure on the 2020 Board.

Statement of Diversity Representation within the Board

BAPPI continues to have diverse representation within its membership. Specifically, in 2020, BAPPI was comprised of 10 members who were early career psychologists (3),

mid-career psychologists (4), late career psychologists (2), 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 (2), Latino (1), Bi-racial (2), and unidentified (2). Additionally, 5 individuals self-identified women, 2 individuals identified as having a disability, 3 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. One committee transformed focus from a focus on AIDs in psychology to a new committee focused more broadly on health equity.

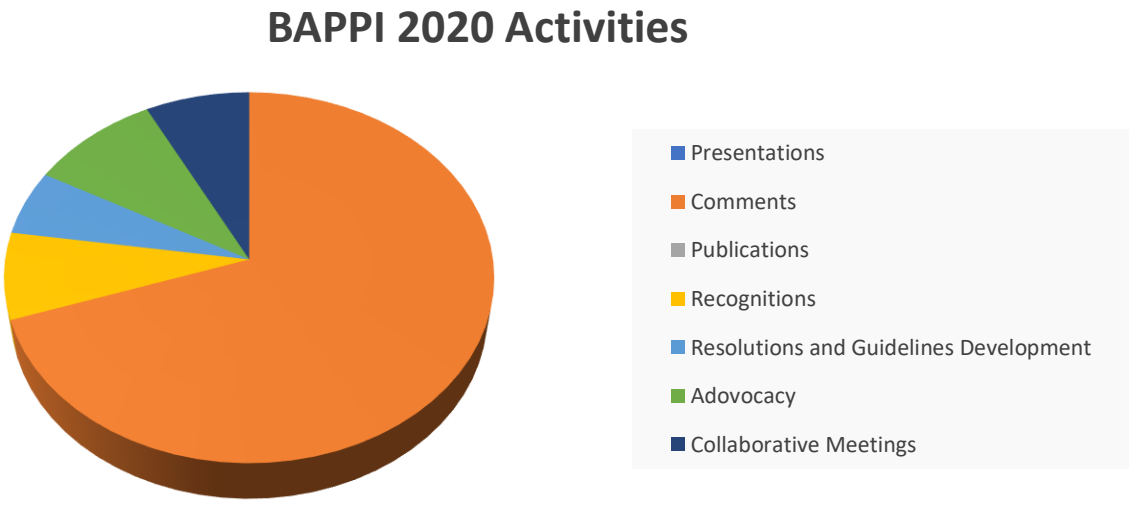
Major Activities

There was a total of 52 activities that Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest participated or initiated in 2020.

Table 1

Type of Activities	# of Activities
Presentations	**0**
Comments	**37**
Publications	**0**
Recognitions	**4**
Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development	**2**
Advocacy	**5**
Collaborative Meetings	**4**

Figure 1



Presentations

- None

Comments/Review

1. Guidelines for the Undergraduate Psychology Major: Version 2.0
2. Guidelines for Assessment of and Intervention with Persons with Disabilities
3. Revision of Guidelines for Psychological Practice in Health Care Delivery Systems
4. Revision of Guidelines for Psychological Evaluations in Child Protection Matters
5. Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Transgender and Gender Nonconforming People
6. Guidelines for the Evaluation of Dementia and Age-Related Cognitive Change
7. Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Sexual Minority Persons
8. Proposed Professional Practice Guidelines for Operational Psychology
9. Resolution on Ageism
10. Revised Resolution on Ending Homelessness
11. CDIP's request for a correction in title of the Resolution in Support of the U.N. Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
12. CDIP Resolution to Support to Affirm Disability as an Aspect of Multiculturalism
13. Call for Review: Task Force on Human Rights Report and Resolution
14. Resolution on Gender Identity Change Efforts
15. Resolution on Sexual Orientation Change Efforts
16. Ethics Code Task Force
17. AMENA-Psy
18. Request for Feedback on Proposed Student Learning Outcomes for Introductory Psychology
19. Considering Diversity: A Self Reflection Tool for All Psychology Teachers
20. Feedback Requested on Board Member Characteristics
21. NBI 24B Term Limits Comments
22. Proposed Changes to APA Bylaws
23. Request for Feedback Regarding NBI #24B: Creation of Term Limits for Members of APA's Council of Representatives to Increase Opportunities for New Voices in Council Decision-Making
24. CPTA Slates
25. CDO Job Description
26. CSES Awards Change
27. CDIP Request to Appoint a New Member
28. CYF Recommendation RE: Isolation and Exclusion of Juveniles in Justice Settings Summary
29. CDIP: Approval to Request a One-Year Extension for the Guidelines for Assessment of and Intervention with Persons with Disabilities
30. Operating Policies and Procedures
31. Association Rule Change PI Awards Committee
32. Association Rule Change Equal Opportunity Representation
33. P&P BAPPI Self-Study

34. The International Psychology Network for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Issues (IPsyNet)
35. Health Equity Committee Mission Statement
36. PI/Committee 2021 Work Plan and Programming
37. Transgender/Gender Non-conforming Memo to PI Committees

Publications

- None

Recognitions

1. BAPPI Slates
2. PI Committee Slates
3. BAPPI Public Member
4. Public Interest Awards 2021

Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development

1. Racism Resolution
2. NBI21A Police and Citizens Work Group

Advocacy

1. Response to Office of Budget & Management Memo on Diversity Trainings
2. COVID-19 Policy Statement
3. NIMH Request for Information
4. Framework for the NIH-Wide Strategic Plan
5. BAPPI Advocacy Priorities Recommendations

Collaborative Meetings

1. Climate Change Task Force
2. EDI Collaborative
3. Bias, Stigma and Discrimination Initiative Spring Consolidated Meeting with PI Committees and Liaisons
4. Equity Flattens the Curve Initiative Team Meetings