

BOARD FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

January ,2023

January All Meeting Minutes

BAPPI Members and Liaison Staff Present: Apryl Alexander (Chair), Kelly Trevino (Chair-Elect), Susan Auger (Executive Committee Member), , Arpana Inman, Christina Rodriguez, Jessica Jackson, Jessica Murakami-Brundage, Barbara Kamholz, Art Blume, Patti Fernandez, Clinton Anderson (Deputy Chief of Psychology in the Public Interest), Brad Pabian (Director of Public Interest Member Engagement, Public Interest Directorate), Deepna Anand (Staff Liaison and Program Coordinator, Public Interest Directorate), Josh Merin

1. Information/Discussion & Action

- BAPPI Chair Apryl Alexander introduced herself as new chair for 2023, laid out their vision for the year and gave the new members a chance to introduce themselves.
- Went over the process with BAPPI members so they understand its role in securing eligible & qualified nominees
- BAPPI Liaisons and APA Staff Liaison provide BSD Initiative updates
 - CDIP and CONA communication has been there and collaboration is in the works
 - CEMA and CWP are working together
- Staff liaison Brad Pabian shared upcoming advocacy training and other important dates for BAPPI members to make note of
 - i. Social Media Advocacy scheduled for January 19, 2023 3:00pm-4:00pm EST
 - 1. Register here: [Read more ►](#)
 - ii. Social Media Advocacy Part II: Feb 9, 2023 3:00pm-4:00pm EST
 - iii. BAPPI BSD Plenary February 13, 2023 5:00-6:00pm EST with all PI Committees
- BAPPI EC members need to create plenary agenda
- Kelly Trevino, Brad Pabian, and Jessica Murkami-Brudge went over BAPPI Liaison slides for PI Committee Discussion: That BAPPI be oriented to using MS Teams (All) 10-15 minutes

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April ,2023

April All Meeting Minutes

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That BAPPI Staff Liaison review the 5-year policy review and timeline.

BAPPI members gave updates and asked questions regarding the 5 year policies they are assigned to review.

That BAPPI Liaisons report out information/or ask questions regarding their respective PI Committees.

Most committees did not have updates, follow up with HEC regarding the questions they have.

That BAPPI debrief Spring Consolidated Meetings.

BAPPI members debriefed the spring consolidated meeting. Overall members felt productive and constant changes were handled well.

BAPPI members did feel a little lost, need more clarity around goals, staff liaisons and chair to add disclaimer before each agenda item.

Action: Make clear to all members how to use motions in meetings.

BAPPI Nominations Revisions

BAPPI members would like to put in proposal if we only have one person we would like to nominate. A BAPPI member has raised to council they want to put forward a NBI.

Dr. Bryant's Call to Action

BAPPI members have no concerns with moving forward with CSOGD call for action

BAPPI All Member Meeting (5/11/2023)

Guest: Amber Roopan, Associate Deputy Chief Governance and Volunteer Leadership

Participants: Apryl Alexander, Arpana Inma, Christina Rodriguez, Kelly McConnell, Barbara Kamolz, Arthur Blume, Jessica Jackson, Jessicac Murakami-Brundage

Absent: Susan Auger

Agenda

1. **Discussion:** That BAPPI have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the Public Interest Staffing Transition sent in the April 19 Email (10 minutes) *Guest:* Amber Roopan, Associate Deputy Chief Governance and Volunteer Leadership

BAPPI Members asked questions of APA Staff regarding transition of Staff Liaisons to Office of General Counsel. Staff agreed to be available for additional questions or concerns.

2. **Action:** That BAPPI discuss and approve Public Interest Committee Slates (30 minutes) *Attachment:* 2023 PI Committee Nominations Memos

6/8 PI Committees were approved. One PI Committee was approved for Slate 2. The other slate was sent back to the PI Committee for Slate 1 to try to recruit one more person.

BAPPI also wanted more specific information regarding how another PI Committee determined “diverse background and experience” before approving.

BAPPI will re-visit these remaining issue via the BAPPI Listserv starting Friday May 19, 2023.

3. **Discussion:** That BAPPI Liaisons report out updates regarding their respective Public Interest Committees (5 minutes)

BAPPI did not complete this agenda item.

4. **Information:** That BAPPI Staff Liaison inform members regarding the process for reviewing NBI 11C *Resolution on Supporting Psychologists’ Education and Research about, and Activism against Violations of Girls’ and Women’s Human Rights Globally-* attachment (5 minutes)

BAPPI did not complete this agenda item.

BAPPI All Member Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2023

Members Present

Apryl A. Alexander, PsyD (BAPPI Chair); Susan Auger, PhD; Arthur W. Blume, PhD; Norma Patricia Fernandez, PhD; Jessica Jackson, PhD; Barbara W. Kamholz, PhD, ABPP; Kelly McConnell, PhD (BAPPI Chair-elect); Jessica Murakami-Brundage, PhD; Christina M. Rodriguez, PhD

Members Not Present

Arpana G. Inman, PhD

Affiliates

Tamara S. Lyn, PhD, ABPP (Liaison, Board of Directors); Arlene Noriega, PhD (Liaison, Board of Directors)

Staff

Maya Allen; Josh Merin

1. **Information:** That BAPPI continue to reach out to networks to solicit names for Public Member nominations
BAPPI Chair Apryl Alexander highlighted the need for BAPPI Members to nominate a new Public Member. Alexander reiterated the ask that each BAPPI Member make one nomination before the September 5th deadline.
2. **Discussion:** Five Year Policy Review and Moving Forward
Apryl Alexander reviewed the five policies that BAPPI identified during the Five-Year Policy Review Process as needing content updates. The board discuss the process by which these policies could be advanced as well as the need for prioritization.
3. **Discussion:** That BAPPI discuss the 2023 work plan and complete an assessment of what has been accomplished
Apryl Alexander led a discussion reviewing progress to date against BAPPI's 2023 workplan. Discussion covered potential changes to the workplan and how the 2023 workplan might inform BAPPI's forthcoming 2024 workplan.
4. **Discussion:** 2024 Goals and Priorities
With BAPPI's 2024 workplan in mind, BAPPI Chair-elect Kelly McConnell led the board in a discussion regarding objectives and priorities for BAPPI in 2024.
5. **Discussion:** Updates from BAPPI Liaisons
BAPPI Member Liaisons to Public Interest Committees shared brief updates regarding their recent engagement.

**BAPPI Executive Session All Member Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2023**

Members Present

Apryl A. Alexander, PsyD (BAPPI Chair); Susan Auger, PhD; Norma Patricia Fernandez, PhD; Jessica Jackson, PhD; Barbara W. Kamholz, PhD, ABPP; Kelly McConnell, PhD (BAPPI Chair-elect); Jessica Murakami-Brundage, PhD; Christina M. Rodriguez, PhD

Members Not Present

Arthur W. Blume, PhD; Arpana G. Inman, PhD;

Affiliates

Tamara S. Lyn, PhD, ABPP (Liaison, Board of Directors)

Staff

Maysa Akbar, PhD, ABPP; Donna Euben, JD; Josh Merin; Collin Sumera

1. In Executive Session, APPROVED: August 17, 2023 BAPPI Meeting Minutes
2. In Executive Session, APPROVED: Amendments to the BAPPI Operations Policies and Procedures



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**In the Public Interest
Meeting Minutes
October 20th & 21st, 2023**

October 20

Attendance

Members

Apryl A. Alexander, PsyD (BAPPI Chair); Kelly McConnell, PhD (BAPPI Chair-elect); Susan Auger, PhD; Arthur W. Blume, PhD; Norma Patricia Fernandez, PhD; Arpana G. Inman, PhD; Jessica Jackson, PhD; Jessica Murakami-Brundage, PhD; Christina M. Rodriguez, PhD

Members Not Present

Barbara W. Kamholz, PhD, ABPP

Affiliates

Tamara S. Lyn, PhD, ABPP (Liaison, Board of Directors)*; Arlene Noriega, PhD- Chair-Elect (Liaison, Board of Directors)*

Visiting Members and Staff

Stefanie Reeves*, Luana Bossolo*; Trent Spiner*; Amy Fineburg, PhD*; Maysa Akbar, PhD, ABPP*; Lauren Sommers PhD, JD*; Clinton Anderson; Josh Merin; Maya Allen*; Collin Sumera

**Partial Attendance*

Note: These minutes are presented in alignment with the meeting agenda and meeting book. In practice, Item 6, "2025-2027 Targeted Nomination Statement" was voted on and approved out of sequence at the beginning of day two's meeting.

Welcome and Check-in

The BAPPI Chair, Apryl Alexander, opened the meeting with a check-in and reviewed the Fall Meeting agenda.

Introductions

Members exchanged introductions.

1. APPROVED: September 14, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Motion Approved: *Members approved the September 14, 2023, Meeting Minutes.*

2. RECEIVED: APA Advocacy Briefing

Deputy Chief of Public Policy and Engagement Stefanie Reeves provided an overview of the Advocacy office's ongoing efforts in Public Interest. The team is actively monitoring the Senate climate and its implications for public interest work with the APA. Stefanie Reeves encouraged members to share their public interest ideas with the Advocacy coordinating team.

3. RECEIVED: APA Communications Briefing

Senior Director of Strategic Public Engagement & Community Outreach, Luana Bossolo, and Editor-in-Chief, Trent Spiner, discussed the goals of the Communications Directorate regarding content development. Luana Bossolo shared a presentation with BAPPI highlighting the significance of content creation and its impact when disseminated to the public: [<https://apa750-Comms and Governance 2024.pptx>]. Trent Spiner emphasized the



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substantial subscribership of newsletters and podcasts. Additionally, he suggested collaborating with various industries to promote APA and mental health, providing a link for reference:

[\[https://www.apa.org/news/apa/2023/captivate-partnership\]](https://www.apa.org/news/apa/2023/captivate-partnership).

4. RECEIVED: APA Committee for the Advancement of General Applied Psychology (CAGAP) Briefing

Chair Amy Fineburg of CAGAP presented an overview of the committee's activities as a newly formed group. BAPPI proposed strategies for CAGAP to identify suitable areas within APA to fulfill its mission. In the future, BAPPI is committed to sharing feedback, ideas, and collaborative projects with CAGAP, whether independently or in conjunction with other groups.

5. RECEIVED: Climate Change BSD Briefing

BAPPI Member Dr. Arthur Blume presented an update on the current state of his role on the APA Climate Change Psychology Group.

6. APPROVED: 2025-2027 Targeted Nomination Statement

BAPPI Members were presented with a draft of the 2025-2027 BAPPI Targeted Nomination Statement. Members took turns suggesting revisions as Collin Sumera recorded edits. A member proposed the idea that BAPPI members take on a larger role in the recruitment process. Following the first day's meeting, Collin Sumera distributed an updated version of the Targeted Nomination Statement for members to review before the second day and cast their votes at the beginning of the session.

Motion Approved: *BAPPI approves the 2025-2027 Targeted Nomination Statement.*

7. DISCUSSION: BAPPI Operating Policies and Procedures

Chair-elect Dr. Kelly McConnell conducted a review of the updated September 2023 BAPPI Operating Policies and Procedures. BAPPI members identified specific areas within the document that will require attention in 2024. Further edits to the document are scheduled for the first quarter of 2024.

8. RECEIVED: Public Interest Briefing

Chief Diversity Officer & APA Chief of Psychology in the Public Interest, Maysa Akbar, provided an update on public interest at APA and its connection to BAPPI. Dr. Akbar communicated that the Public Interest directorate will prioritize human rights, specifically addressing the vulnerability of marginalized populations in the future. BAPPI and Dr. Maysa Akbar examined BAPPI's mission and BAPPI's active role as liaisons to committees.



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Members Not Present

Barbara W. Kamholz, PhD, ABPP

Staff

Clinton Anderson; Josh Merin; Collin Sumera

1. In Executive Session, Discussion BAPPI Chair-elect
2. In Executive Session, ELECTED Kim Young-Mclean as the 2024 BAPPI Public Member

October 21

Attendance



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Members Not Present

Barbara W. Kamholz, PhD, ABPP; Norma Patricia Fernandez, PhD;

Affiliates

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Staff

Lauren Sommers PhD, JD*; Clinton Anderson; Josh Merin; Collin Sumera

**Partial Attendance*

Welcome and Check-in

The BAPPI Chair, Apryl Alexander, opened the meeting with a check-in and reviewed the agenda for day two.

9. APPROVED: Committee Work Plans

Dr. Apryl Alexander allocated 15 minutes for BAPPI members to review their committee's draft work plans for 2024. Following the breakout session, members reconvened and offered individual feedback on their respective committee work plans. Each committee liaison endorsed their committee's draft work plan and will submit notes for all committees to Collin Sumera after the call, with the intention of Collin sharing them with Staff Liaisons.

Motion Approved: *BAPPI Committee Liaisons approve of their committee's 2024 Work Plans.*

10. APPROVED: BAPPI 2024 Work Plan

Chair Apryl Alexander and Staff liaison Collin Sumera discussed the draft 2024 BAPPI Work Plan with members. Suggestions were made to enhance tracking methods for the 2023 BSD training, and there was a proposal for the creation of an annual work plan to monitor BAPPI's project accomplishments throughout the year. The attendees unanimously agreed that the work plan is prepared for submission. Committee members who couldn't attend the meeting were provided with a deadline to submit any edits or suggestions.

Motion Approved: *BAPPI approves of its 2024 Work Plan.*

**BAPPI All Member Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2023**

Members Present

Apryl A. Alexander, PsyD (BAPPI Chair); Susan Auger, Ph.D.; Arthur W. Blume, Ph.D.; Norma Patricia Fernandez, Ph.D.; Arpana G. Inman, Ph.D.; Jessica Jackson, Ph.D.; Barbara W. Kamholz, Ph.D., ABPP; Kelly McConnell, Ph.D. (BAPPI Chair-elect); Jessica Murakami-Brundage, Ph.D.; Christina M. Rodriguez, PhD

Staff

Clinton Anderson, Ph.D.; Maysa Akbar, Ph.D., ABPP; Josh Merin; Stefanie Reeves, FASAE, CAE; Collin Sumera

1. APPROVED: September 14, 2023, Meeting Minutes

BAPPI voted to approve the minutes of its October 2023 meetings.

2. Discussion: That BAPPI discuss new member recruitment

BAPPI discussed how current members can contribute to recruitment efforts for 2025.

3. Discussion: That BAPPI review Convention Planning in 2024

Dr. Apryl Alexander facilitated a board discussion on BAPPI's participation at the 2024 APA Convention. The conversation explored potential opportunities for BAPPI's involvement during the event. Subsequently, a discussion took place regarding the Israel-Hamas conflict and the trauma being felt, in the Middle East and internationally, including in the United States.

Dr. Apryl Alexander Thanked members for attending the call and with no further new business the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, December 14th, 2023

**BAPPI All Member Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2023**

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Members Not Present

Susan Auger, Ph.D.; Norma Patricia Fernandez, Ph.D.

Affiliates

Tamara S. Lyn, PhD, ABPP (Liaison, Board of Directors);

Guests

Sharon Adusei Ph.D.; Ayli Carrero Pinedo Ph.D.; Kim McClear Ph.D.

Staff

Clinton Anderson, Shontay Kincaid; Ph.D.; Stefanie Reeves, FASAE, CAE; Collin Sumera

1. **APPROVED: November 17, 2023, Meeting Minutes**
Motion Approved: *Members approved the November 17, 2023, Meeting Minutes.*
2. **Discussion:** Introduction of New Members and Sharing Advice
2024 BAPPI members introduced themselves and current members shared advice for serving on the board.
3. **Action:** BAPPI Members take 10 minutes to Nominate
BAPPI members took 10 minutes to nominate individuals for the 2025 BAPPI openings.
4. **Check-ins:** BAPPI Committee Liaisons Provide Check-Ins
BAPPI Committee Liaisons shared updates on their respective committees.
5. **Discussion:** Expressing Gratitude to the Outgoing Members and Appreciation for the Outgoing Chair
Members expressed gratitude to each other for the successful year BAPPI had and anticipated continued success in 2024.

Dr. Apryl Alexander Thanked members for attending the call and with no further new business the meeting was adjourned.