

# Psychoanalytic Center of the Carolinas

## Board of Directors

January 29, 2024

### Minutes

**Present:** Harold Kudler (Pres), Burton Hutto (Sec), Vann Pearsall (Executive Director), Chris Erskine, John Riley, Josie Sawyer, Kendra Surmitis, Scott Warren, Tricia Wilson, Frank Heitmann (PCC member for discussion of Meeting of Members), Katherine Jarman

**Absent:** Dhipthi Brundage

- I. Welcome
- II. Procedural Section
  - a. Minutes: The December minutes were approved.
- III. Old business
  - a. Discussion of Meeting of Members
    - i. Kendra was approved as a member of the board.
    - ii. The bylaws amendments were not voted because there was a question of the quorum. Attendance for the meeting was low. Prior to the meeting there was discussion by email among members, some of whom advocated that a graduate of a psychoanalytic programs should be president of the board or that other safeguards be adopted to maintain the mission of the PCC to promote psychoanalysis.
    - iii. The board discussed next steps and hopes to reintroduce the bylaws amendments after further discussion with the membership.
- IV. Committee reports
  - a. The reports were distributed in advance. (See Appendix 1.)
    - i. Lisa Long provided a new format for some of the financial reports.
- V. New business
  - i. Candidate Loan Fund.
    1. Donations in memory of Ingrid Pisetsky might be combined with an existing candidate loan fund. The loan fund has not been used by candidates, and the combined fund might be turned into scholarships. The Blue Sky fund could be part of this new scholarship fund.
    2. The board will reconsider this proposal in the future.
  - ii. 2024 Budget timeline
    1. Budget forecasting has begun.
  - iii. Spring membership drive
    1. Katherine is preparing to lead a membership drive.
    2. The board discussed several considerations as summarized by Katherine.

- a. Send invitation to deans and heads of social work departments
    - b. Promotion of our ability to confer CE's
    - c. Chat with Heather Craige on agenda ideas
    - d. Promotion of the referral service
    - e. Information on study groups
  - iv. Referral system temporary guidance policy
    - 1. Megan Clark no longer provides back up consultation for difficult cases.
    - 2. Vann and Harold drafted a temporary policy that will allow the board president or any other clinical member of the board to provide such consultations.
    - 3. Josie volunteered to provide backup coverage when the president is not available given her extensive experience with referrals to the LDC.
- VI. Executive Directors Report
  - a. Vann stated Lucy is working on a grant to support the Seasoned Clinician's Notebook series.
  - b. Vann and Dhipthi are working on an annual report for Mr. Pearsall seeking renewed support for the Pearsall Fellowship program.
  - c. Vann will attend the Council of Executive Directors at the APsA meeting next week
- VII. Next Board meeting will be Monday, March 4, 2024.
- VIII. Adjourn

Burton Hutto, Secretary