

Florida Association of School Psychologists  
Executive Board Meeting

July 12-13, 2005  
Hyatt Coconut Point Resort, Bonita Springs

Members Present: Hamilton “Kip” Emery, Mary Alice Myers, Terry Vaccaro, Gail Patterson, Jenny Pic, Gene Cash, Amy Endsley, Freda Reid, Denise Bishop, Briley Proctor, Mark Neely, Josh Lutz, Sarah Valley-Gray, Bob Templeton, Lola Heverly, Robert Kelly, Judy Merrell, Tommy Caisanga, Mike Burleson, and Alberto Gamarra.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 1:25 p.m. by President Kip Emery who welcomed all.

II. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

President Emery recognized lobbyist John Cerra and management company president Londra Mead.

III. OFFICER REPORTS:

President – Hamilton “Kip” Emery III

Emery announced that Elizabeth Jackson’s mother passed away and was buried this morning. He gives thanks to Londra Mead of Mead Management for all her hard work for us in our busiest times.

He visited three of the regional workshops to encourage participation in FASP and was part of the SLD task force.

He will host a reception Thurs evening during the Simmer Institute.

Past President – Mary Alice Myers

Myers reported the election results.

President-Elect: Bob Templeton  
Southeast Regional Representative: Melissa Harrison  
Northeast Regional Representative: Helen Ricketson  
West Central Regional Representative: Brad Underhill

She has signed a contract for the Windham Casa Marina Resort in Key West for Summer Institute 2006 to be held July 19 to 22. Room rates are \$119 and the rate is available for the entire week.

The rates for fall conferences are in the range of 139 and 159. She is looking in the Tampa area

at the Grand Hyatt/Tampa Bay and the Wyndham/Harbor Island for the 2007 Conference. The Associated Press has picked up a story that Duvall County has abolished corporal punishment and cited our position paper in the article.

President-Elect – Terry Vaccaro

He reports that the conference is on track and that many CEU breakout sessions will be offered. The president’s party has changed themes. There will be many activities available during the conference and he encourages everyone to attend.

He is working on putting his board together. If you have any input or preferences please let him know.

Conference Chair – Cristy Pena (not in attendance)

Approximately 100 proposals have been received and are being reviewed by the Program Committee. The Keynote speaker and the speakers for Friday have been scheduled and contracts are being signed.

The Conference Committee Chairs are as follows:

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| Audio Visual                  | Russ Armour                      |
| CEU Committee                 | Sue Buslinger-Clifford           |
| Community Outreach/Publicity  | Kat Norona                       |
| Door Prizes                   | Tania Milares                    |
| Hospitality                   | Susan Flax                       |
| Job & Internship Fair         | Cary Ballesteros                 |
| Local Arrangements            | Representative of Broward County |
| Program                       | Terry Vaccaro &Cristy Pena       |
| Social & Decorations          | Ingrid Castleblanco              |
| Student Workers & Coordinator | Terri Clark                      |
| Trade Show                    | Brad Underhill                   |

Secretary- Gail Patterson

Patterson asked for corrections to the April 2005 minutes and made those submitted.

Treasurer - Jenny Pic

Treasurer Pic presented the balance sheet. She is working with the new management committee to clean up issues from the previous management group. She reiterates the meal reimbursement amounts and asks that separate reimbursement forms be submitted for each committee.

IV. ACTION ITEMS RELATED TO OFFICER REPORTS:

Motion #1 - Move to approve the minutes from the Executive Board meeting as corrected.

Motion made by Patterson seconded by Lutz.

Discussion - none.

Motion passed.

#### V. REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Northwest - Mike Burleson

His report stands.

Northeast - Troy Radford (not in attendance)

West Central - Mark Neely

His report stands. He had a successful workshop on April 29, 2005.

He encouraged members in his region to contact their legislators.

East Central – Tommy Caisango

He reports on a successful regional workshop and thanks Lutz for his help.

Southeast - Melissa Harrison (not in attendance)

Not in attendance

Southwest - Phyllis Walters-Kemp (not in attendance)

South – Alberto Gamarra

His report stands. He is working to give last year's legislative award to D. Wasserman Schultz.

He noted a meeting with Dade Psychologists about legislative issues that was well received.

#### VI. ACTION ITEMS RELATED TO REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

None

#### XI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislative - Gene Cash

The board is asked to look at the legislative report. John Cerra goes over this report.

He highlights 3 legislators. Senator Lynn helped amend the psychotropic drug bill and

implemented its change to something that was passed, worked with us on the suicide prevention issue, and included language to repeal the BEST Teacher Career Ladder Program in SB388 that was ultimately passed . Representative Sobel voted with us again and filed the corporal punishment bill. Representative Arza allowed us to table this. Duvall County changed their policy on corporal punishment. Representative Baxley, the chair, deleted the referral portion of HB209, possibly because his son in law is a psychiatrist. Cerra asks that we read the entire Legislative Consultant's Report.

The coalition of children's behavioral support issues is meeting and we are a part of them.

There is a discussion of who should receive the Legislator of the year award.

Cash passes out the proposed legislative platform and indicates he will have a motion later.

#### NASP Delegate – Gene Cash

Cash reports that the NASP Delegate assembly and the executive council met in Miami and the dinner FASP hosted was successful.

Four position papers were approved. Students with emotional/behavioral disorders, HIV/AIDS, Ability Grouping, and Early Childhood Assessment were the titles.

IDEIA proposed regulations have been drafted and the last hearing has been held as of today. The group modifying the regulations content is most open to anecdotal comments that directly relate to specific regulations.

The NASP Convention will be held March 28 through April 1, 2006 in Anaheim, California. There is a document for implementing the Futures Conference Goals on the website and Cash will provide it if asked.

NASP is instituting an approved provider status for Associations for \$200.00 with only submission of programs annually rather than a renewal fee.

### VII. WORKGROUP ORIENTATION:

President Emery introduced workgroups by again speaking of his presidential goals, workgroup assignments and workgroup charges. He asked for written report from each workgroup leader. Workgroups will be submitting comments on the proposed regulations and submitting them to him. He asks Myers to comment.

Myers orients us to commenting on the regulations from a state and local perspective and in relation to certain relative topics. She asks that we please note by section and subsection when a group makes comments.

### VIII. WORK GROUPS:

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President Emery asked for workgroup reports within 2 weeks. He reminded the leaders to provide him with a written report including tasks assigned to specific individuals.

OPERATIONS AND ACCOUNTABILITY- Mary Alice Myers  
Manifestation

PROFESSIONAL ISSUES AND PUBLIC POLICY- Freda Reid

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH – Terry Vaccaro

MEMBER OUTREACH - Amy Endsley  
IEP, Reevaluation

FINANCE – Jenny Pic

PRESIDENT EMERY ASKED THAT REPORTS FROM WORK GROUPS BE SENT TO HIM BY JULY 27. HE WILL APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO FINALIZE AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS.

#### X. ACTION ITEMS RELATED TO WORK GROUP REPORTS:

None

#### XI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (CONTINUED):

Administration & Supervision – Bob Templeton

He reports on the internship process implementation and the proposed process. THIS WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE SUPERVISORS AND TRAINERS WORKSHOP on Friday. There is a survey of students that will be expedited so that data for a decision can be presented at the next meeting. A vote can be taken then.

They are thinking of a signed document similar to a contract for districts this next year. The other thing will be the whole IDEA reauthorization.

Cash suggest that we approve the process in concept so Templeton and Valley Gray can take it to the Sup/Trainers on Friday. Templeton will make the motion at the appropriate time.

Awards – Patti Vickers (not in attendance)

She has no awards nominations except 4 for research awards nominations.

The Willard Nelson Award and multiple nominations during the same year for this award were discussed.

There was also a discussion of how to encourage nominations for all awards.

### Cultural & Linguistic Diversity –Monica Murray

Her report was given by President Emery. Spanish versions of several tests will be raffled at the Ochoa workshop. The contract with Doubletree for a \$99 room rate is to be signed. Ochoa's fee has been negotiated down to \$1000.

### DOE - Denise Bishop

Bishop disseminated Technical Assistance Papers entitled Nonverbal Tests of Intelligence and Use of Part Scores with Tests of Intelligence. She also provided copies of Memos entitled Differentiating Counseling and Psychological Counseling as a Related Service.

Bishop stated the Suicide Prevention Conference is at the same time as AMM.

The Institute for Small and Rural Districts has just completed a summer institute focused IDEIA, school-based discipline and a Problem-Solving/RtI approach to improving student performance.

The FDOE wants input from FASP as an interested party on IDEIA regulations.

If the IEP team requests Psychological Counseling then a certified or licensed school Psychologist is indicated, if only counseling is requested then others certified or licensed can be the providers.

Rule revisions for EH/SED, Autism, Deaf/HH and also SLD are underway. The revision for MH will begin in the fall of 2005.

The SLD Task Force is working to begin the process of state problem solving to develop a Technical Assistance Paper. The TAP will describe a Response to Intervention (RtI) approach to measuring the severity of students learning difficulties. The FDOE has not yet developed a comprehensive plan for addressing the changes in SLD identification and eligibility outlined in IDEIA.

Everyone in the state DOE is working with F schools. Bishop is working with Region 1 and a double F elementary school. She encourages those who have a failing school to take the opportunity to become involved in the process of analyzing data, generating data-driven suggestions for change/improvement, and assisting with the implementation of an action plan that would improve the outcomes for all students, especially those at risk for failure.

The state is working on an All Hazards Statewide Plan that establishes the framework and guidelines for ensuring that an effective emergency management system is in place to contain adverse behavioral health outcomes.

In addition to continuous monitoring of disproportionality in EMH Programs a workgroup

visited 3 of 5 targeted districts and reviewed 50% of the records for K-5 students. From this it became apparent that the issue needed to be analyzed at a building level and the point of analysis needs to be referrals to child study teams.

School Psychologists may play an active role in helping IEP teams discern which types of interventions are clinically and educationally matched to the areas of deficiency and whether they are based on peer-reviewed research.

#### Membership - Amy Endsley

Her report stands. It reflects a total membership of 965. Endsley reports the new membership application was printed in the spring newsletter and posted on the website. Renewals were mailed out in June.

#### Newsletter - Judy Merrell

Merrell announced that she will not be continuing on the board. She began a discussion of the amount of event space taken up in the newsletter and the resulting size and cost of publication. The amount of size taken up by printing Executive Board directory information was reduced as a starting point.

#### Planning and Development - Susan Lowrey (not in attendance)

#### Private Practice – Deborah Davidson (not in attendance)

#### Professional Development – Josh Lutz

He has been winding down work from regional meetings and has been working on Summer Institute with only a three week break. The hotel staff has been great.

He is working on online CEUs for medical errors and domestic violence and will announce this after the conference.

Lutz is approximately 3,000 under his 16,500.00 budget. He needs help with registration and CEUs.

#### Public Policy - Briley Proctor

Her report stands. She has been out on maternity leave and has just returned. She passes out a form letter to use in support of the use of RtI.

#### Ethics and Standards of Practice -Freda Reid

An ethics concern has arisen about using the SB-IV when it is an out of date test. The ethics

committee will meet. She is looking for a box of materials designated for the Ethics chair. Anyone who has information please let her know.

Research – Oliver Edwards (not in attendance)

Registrar - Robert Kelly

He is working with the new management group and it is a joy. There are 157 Summer Institute and 53 Medical Errors registrations thus far.

Technology & Communications – Michelle Robertson-Shephard (not in attendance)

Training & Credentialing –Sarah Valley-Gray

She co-presented with Templeton on the internship process under Administration and Supervision.

She is working for the Pediatric TBI Institute and their conference is in August and may have monies to attend.

## XII. ACTION ITEMS RELATED TO STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (CONTINUED):

Motion # 2- That FASP presents two Outstanding Legislator Awards for 2005 to Senator Evelyn Lynn and Representative Eleanor Sobel.

Moved by Cash, seconded by Endsley  
Discussion - None  
Motion passed

Motion #3- I move that FASP endorses the concept of the standardization of the internship process in the state of Florida.

Moved by Templeton/Gray, seconded by Lutz  
Discussion - None  
Motion passed

Motion #4- That FASP approves the 2006 Legislative Platform as presented.

Moved by Cash, seconded by Endsley  
Discussion - None  
Motion passed

## XIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS (CONTINUED):

Children Services Fund – Kip Emery

His report stands. There was a CSFT Board meeting to decide on activities for the year. A silent auction will be held on selected items at the Summer Institute.

Burleson reports that a CSF grant was given to a family in one of the schools in his district.

Historian-Joni Mason (not in attendance)

Interest Group Chair – Lola Heverly  
Her report stands.

Student Delegate – Jeanette Siaz- (not in attendance)

#### XIV. ACTION ITEMS RELATED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

#### XV. OLD BUSINESS:

None

#### XVII. NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEXT BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> SOMETIME IN THE AM

#### XVIII. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Gail Patterson, Secretary

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Moved by, Cash Seconded by Myers  
Discussion - None  
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