

Minutes, PCUN Executive Committee

February 9, 2023, 10:00 am – 11:00 am, By Zoom

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Present: David L, Ani, Efrat, Elaine C, Elaine O, Harold, Janet, Leslie, Vera, Walter.

1. Standing Committee and Updates

- a. Advocacy. Working on the calendar, have new members.
- b. Finance. Incorporation is going along. A question came for SocSec# of all officers, but eventually only Harold's number sufficed. Harold talked about ways of paying for Zoom (prefers to pay with a paper check) and the problem Kalyani had with them. Janet commented that Zoom worked well with us and hope to continue working with them. Elaine O suggested having 2 signatories on checks. The downside is a physical space, the need to collaborate. Continue the discussion at another time.

c. Outreach

- i. European Hub. Vera & Efrat talked with the EHPS EC on engaging w/ European-located UN agencies. Asked to put together a proposal on our vision on it in an attempt to convince the EC to spend resources on this. Thinking about an internship at the WHO. Attempt to fund it so it will be open to all, not necessarily involve moving physically, but working online and travelling periodically. David asked whether WHO requires accreditation. Vera said she does not know, and also reported she will be in the Bonn headquarters in May and inquire about details. David asked how this person can represent PCUN. Vera said the person could also have the title of representing PCUN. Efrat reported on the Behavioral Insight Unit in the WHO (a new unit) as another option.

Walter commented that there are various levels of association with WHO, but that they were not interested in IAAP.

Efrat Mentioned an opportunity for internship for DGC. David said it's very competitive.

- ii. Global Psychology Advocacy Month – Global Psych Alliance visit UN missions. David suggested being involved, as it has the potential of establishing contacts with Missions. David suggested setting up a **task force**. Walter volunteered to join and advocated PCUN take the lead. Vera talked about a national delegate pool. Walter suggested that Judy also joins the task force. Walter suggested offering membership in the Task Force in the General PCUN meeting.

d. Program

- i. Psychology Day. In the stage of putting together a nominee rating system. Social, Peace, Media, Gender-based violence. Ada was away most

of the time, Caroline worked and advanced the work. The co-chairs are unaware that the program com needs to be involved. There were 30 application to the AA position, David will go over them, and interviews will be conducted. Rashmi is going to work on Missions contact. Janet recommended that the co-chairs view last years' events to get a good idea of the PD process. Janet reported that co-chairs think of presenting in another language than English and have sub-titles.

The voting on nominees will be by reps of NGOs and members of the program committee.

e. Publications

- i. Book Series. A new book in process, the authors agreed. Focus on children.
- ii. PCUN Grey Paper Series. Short format of 2-4 pages. Can later be disseminated among members.

Upcoming:

- PCUN General Meeting: February 23, 2023 at 11 am EST
- PCUN Executive Committee Meeting: March 9, 2023 at 10 am EST