

**Minutes for GOHWP Executive Board Meeting**  
(17/09/15 – 4:00 PM EST/10:00 PM SA/11:00PM EAT / 18/09/15 - 8:00 AM NZ)

**1. Call to order**

**2. Old business**

**a. Portfolio progress**

**i. Advocacy/outreach- Stu & Mary**

Stu congratulated Ishbel, Doug, and Mary on the new book, *Humanitarian Work Psychology and the Global Development Agenda*. He suggested that it could be reviewed in the Pacific Rim Psychology Journal. Tara offered to review for Personnel Psychology. Ashley offered to interview the co-editors for an upcoming TIP column. It was also suggested that news about the book could be included in the next upcoming GOHWP newsletter.

He recently attended a conference in the Philippines and also the Academy of Management meeting. There was a lot of talk regarding humanitarian issues at the latter, and we may want to connect with folks in AoM.

Stu is part of ongoing discussions about a possible master's degree in the psychology of sustainable development (including fields like clinical, health, and I-O) which would bring together 3-4 universities. They are being asked about the level of interest for such a program, and Stu wondered whether we could survey the membership about this.

He also mentioned that Springer asked about the potential for a HWP journal. Stu suggested that at the moment a full journal may be premature, but an occasional (bi-annual) issue might be appropriate and timely. If someone wants to take the lead on this, let him know.

**ii. Communications- Laura**

Laura is working on the next GOHWP newsletter and indicated that there is space for additional material. She is also working on a blog post on graduate programs in HWP and another one on Black Lives Matter.

She also indicated that Rich Griffith is interested in collaboration with the organization.

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iii. Member value- Tara

We currently have 374 members, and the membership database is now up to date following the influx of new members from the IAAP announcement. Tara added everyone to the membership regardless of their area of specialization (there were some who seemed to be unconnected to work psychology), so no applicant was denied membership.

**b.** End-of-year report

Ashley asked for portfolio progress from each of us so that this year's annual report can be created and shared with us for revisions.

**3. New business**

**a.** Elections- Doug

We have exactly one nominee for each open seat:

- Chair – Ashley Hoffman
- Vice Chair – Drew Mallory
- Executive Board – Christopher Beukes, Bobbie Murray, and Tom Diamante
- Student Representative – Sheridan Trent

We have all the biographical information and the time commitment verification from all nominees so the election survey is ready to be built in Qualtrics. Elections are due to start on [October 1st](#).

**b.** By-laws changes

Ashley suggested incorporating the two by-laws changes we have discussed

- Add in 1-year Past Chair position
- Some language that clarifies that the board can send out a call for volunteers or may appoint members to get involved in particular work that the board has. Ines suggested limiting the number of individuals who could be brought on this way.

Ashley will draft up proposed language for the by-laws revisions and send it out to the

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**4. Other business**

**a. SIOP submissions**

There has been a submission which is a combination of presentations with breakout sessions with ‘table leaders’ in areas like volunteerism, decent work, poverty reduction, corporate social responsibility, education, women’s rights

**5. Adjournment** – the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM Eastern Daylight Time