



LPA Annual Membership Meeting  
June 25, 2021

I. Welcome by the President:

The Annual Membership meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. Reuther at 4:12pm. The *mission of LPA* was read by Dr. Reuther as; “To support and advance psychology as a science, as a profession, and as a means of promoting health, education, and human welfare.” She continued by giving an overview of some of LPA accomplishments for 2020-2021; the complete list should be reviewed from Dr. Reuther’s submitted report.

- \*an increase in membership by 41.5%; 249 vs 176 current members,
- \*HB 477 authorized the LA State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (LSBEP) to implement fees for certain services *passed*,
- \*SB 156 which provides for fairness in women’s sports relative to school’s being able to offer opportunities to students to participate in team sporting events on an equal basis, *vetoed by Governor Edwards*,
- \*new website launched 8/19/2020!!!
- \*members’ blog created,
- \*revised rules for LPA listserv conduct,
- \*released statement on racial injustice,
- \*provided resources for COVID-19

II. LPA EC Election Results: Dr. Alan Coulter  
President-Elect 2021-2023  
Secretary 2021-2023  
Directors

Dr. Paula Zeanah  
Dr. Richard Niolon  
Dr. Amy Henke, and  
Dr. Stephanie Grant

Dr. Coulter commented that this election represented the best member participation rate in voting ever!!

III. Treasurer’s Report: Dr. Matthew Holcomb

CALENDAR YEAR	2020	2021
<b>Category</b>	<b>Funds Available</b>	<b>Funds Available</b>
Checking Starting Bal.	\$42,719.20	\$58,238.01
Saving Starting Bal.	-0-	\$21,570.00
Membership Dues	\$27,672.00	\$27,672.00
Grants	\$12,000.00	\$11,500.00

CALENDAR YEAR	2020	2021
Total Income to Date		\$32,619.39
Budgeted Income	\$28,803.00	\$40,500.00
Expenditures	\$25,161.79	-0-
Difference	+ \$3641.21	\$-7,880.60

Current Resources	Available Funds 2020	Available Funds 2021
Checking Ending Bal.	\$58,238.01	\$85,682.48
Savings Account Bal.	\$21,570.00	\$21,570.00

<b>Net Gain for 2020</b>	15,518.81
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<b>Budgeted Amount 2021</b>	\$24,718.00
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- 15% lower than 2020 because of no travel expenses, and changes to staffing.

IV. Induction of LPA 2021-2022 President: Dr. Christopher Parkinson

Dr. Zeanah stated her platform as president to be sustainability, legislative advocacy, and continued recruitment of members to LPA.

V. Members' Open Comments:

- Old Business: Discussion of how LPA can help to support the fiscal solvency of LSBEP.
- Members' Items/Ideas

The membership discussed at length various opinions, responsibilities, and methods of assisting with the fiscal solvency of LSBEP. Members first discussed an amendment made by Dr. Julie Nelson that would have had LPA members to authorize the LPA IO Committee to perform an analysis of the financial, business, and practices of the LSBEP. Other members voiced concerns that all interested members should have the opportunity to engage in the work-group. After much debate, voting members agreed to the motion to allow any interested LPA member to participate in the work-group. The motion was passed by 100% of voting members. The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 5:29pm and LPA EC moved into its Annual Awards Program.

The following LPA 2021 Awards were:

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| 1. Psychology in the Public Interest           | Dr. Sonia Blauvelt   |
| 2. Janet Matthew Outstanding Psychology Mentor | Dr. Julie Larrieu    |
| 3. ECP   | Dr. Amy Mikolajewski |
| 4. Contributions in Psychological Science      | Dr. Laurel Franklin  |
| 5. Distinguished Psychologist                  | Dr. Charles Figley   |
| 6. Distinguished Service in Psychology         | Dr. Amy Henke        |
| 7. Outstanding Leadership                      | Dr. Erin Reuther     |
| 8. Legislator of the Year                      | Rep. Joseph Stagni   |

Awards program adjourned at 5:46pm

Submitted by

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Secretary June 25, 2021 (Ending)