



Washington Association for Play Therapy Board Meeting Minutes July 10th, 2016, 7:00-7:30pm

Present Members: Elizabeth Peixoto (President), Annie Merriman (President-Elect), Krissy Perry (Secretary), Jennifer Daffon (Western Washington Committee Chair), Lara Long (Graduate Student Representative – The Seattle School),

Absent Members: Cary Hamilton (Past President), Julianne Lu (Treasurer), Valerie Juergens (Membership Director), Stacy Glover (Newsletter Committee), Linda Chia (Director of Social Media), Jessica (Graduate Student Representative – Antioch University), Sarah Harwood (Graduate Student Representative – City University of Seattle)

Minutes prepared by Krissy Perry, MEd, LMHC, RPT-S, WAAPT Secretary

I. Future Conferences

I. Fall 2016 Conference – October 21st, Holly Willard

i. Venue

1. Valerie emailed out 3 location suggestions: Red Lion Renton, Red Lion Airport, or Embassy Suites.
2. Vote resolution was for Red Lion Renton, with WAAPT providing muffins and drinks. Lunch will be on the attendees.
3. Valerie will contact venue to draw up a contract.

ii. Website – open registration

1. Elizabeth has received multiple emails implying lots of interest.
2. Krissy will create a conference registration ASAP.

iii. Misc.

1. Will use same numbers for pricing as last year.
2. Annie will ask her friend to create a flier for the conference.

II. Spring 2017 Conference – March 24-25, Franc Hudspeth

i. Venue

1. Annie looking for venue, a lot of locations have that date booked
2. Annie will check with Seattle School of Theology and Psychology
3. Annie sent email to Seattle Pacific but hasn't heard back on availability. She will try to get big room for both days

ii. Will send a call for presentations in January

III. Fall 2017 Conference - Claire Mellenthin – Spokane, Saturday October 28th 2017

i. Topics:

1. Attachment Centered Play Therapy (1/2 day @APT)
2. Healing Complex Trauma Using Play
3. Sticky Situations in Play Therapy (Ethics and Supervision)
4. ABCs of Play Therapy (beginning)
5. I Just Can't Help it! Attachment Centered Play Therapy to Treat Childhood Disruptive Disorders
6. Play Therapy Across the Lifespan
7. The How, When, and Why's: Including Parents in Play Therapy

- ii. Jennifer proposed topic 5 for the conference. Krissy seconded. All in favor. None opposed. Item passed.
- iii. Elizabeth will contact Claire with topic decision.

II. Health of Washington Association for Play Therapy

I. Financial Health –

- i. Elizabeth reported \$390 in APT quarterly membership dues
- ii. Julianne reported the budget as follows:
 - 1. June: \$8046.66
 - 2. July: \$7986.38

II. Bylaws & Conflict of Interest: Need a couple more signatures

- i. Elizabeth will contact those who haven't emailed signatures

III. Need Eastern Washington Chair –

- i. Elizabeth reported no responses for this position.
- ii. Elizabeth suggested keep posting in newsletter
- iii. Jennifer suggested possibly on FB too

IV. Gold Branch - no updates

III. Summer Picnic – August 21st, 1-3PM

I. Booked & reserved all day – plenty of time to set up and take down

II. Food & Beverages –

- i. Elizabeth proposed that each Board member should bring the basics, while all attendees should bring a dish
 - 1. Annie signed up for plates and silverware, and will Amazon Prime them to someone if she is unable to make it
 - 2. Krissy will bring water
 - 3. Elizabeth will bring a main dish

III. Send out announcement now and later for registration

IV. Krissy will create registration for website

- i. It was also suggested to create a FB event

IV. Networking Meetings – Next Ones

I. Carrie will host in Olympia on Sept 7th

II. Will skip August 10th meeting for the Seattle area

III. Seattle's next meeting will be in Oct 12th w/Sarah, location TBD

V. Newsletter –

I. Summer – Need submissions –

- i. Possibly go out in August?
- ii. Include:
 - 1. Save the dates for all events: conferences, picnic, networking meetings
 - 2. Call for an Eastern WA Chair
 - 3. New membership campaign
 - 4. Cary suggested recognizing new members and welcoming them
 - a. Krissy will organize the new member list

iii.

VI. Committee Chair Updates

I. Western Washington

- i. Jennifer has been talking with Mill Creek Family Services. They are trying to get a play therapy room established at their practice, and would like a board member to present.

- ii. Jennifer will put together relevant information and email the board to see who can attend. Mill Creek's business meeting is possibly on Wed or Thursday from 12-1
- iii. Elizabeth will see if Cary is able to present, if not Krissy said she might.

II. Membership – Not present

III. Graduate Students

- i. Lara says she talked to Steve Call about incorporating a play therapy presentation in children/adolescents class. This is still in the works.
- ii. Lara and Annie will get together about contacting The Seattle School for the spring conference.
- iii. Elizabeth reported that Jessica will no longer be a grad rep due to moving to a diff state.

IV. Social Media –

- i. Elizabeth reported that Cary has been doing this 100% due to Linda having computer trouble. Will attempt to resolve this in the future.

VII. National Conference October 4-9 in Louisville, KY

- I. Branch Leadership Training: Earns points towards Gold Branch
- II. WAAPT will organize a few dinners for WA attendees

VIII. Next meeting – Sunday, Sept 18th at 7:00pm via Skype