Members Present:

Linda Neiheiser  
President
Michelle Hathorn  
Treasurer
Ronald Lott  
Secretary
Terry Bendo  
Past President
Chuck Archer  
Leg. Co-Chair; OSPAN Co-ordinator
Jay Bahnsen  
Central Rep/ Spring Conf. Chair
Ann Brennan  
Dir. Leg. Services/Prof Relations
Gina Bando-Worsdall  
Membership Co-chair
Alison Bland  
Kent State Student Rep
Shayla Brown  
PR Co-chair
Krissy Ciero  
Membership Co-chair.
Dan Dean  
Cleveland Rep
Denise Eslinger  
Elyria/Lorain Rep
Gail Fadel  
Cleveland Rep
Jessica Gibbons  
Cleveland St. Student Rep
Molly Halpin  
Univ. of Cinci. Student Rep
Julie Harrison  
John Carroll Student Rep
Brian Hill  
Crisis Intervention Chair
Chinnon Jaquay  
Maumee Valley Rep
Susan Johnston  
Fall Conf. Co-chair
Sal Karanouh-Schuler  
Spring Conf. Co-chair
Aimee Kirsch  
Private Practice Chair/Kent-Akron Rep
Kelly Kowalski  
Kent-Akron Rep
Robert Kubick  
TOSP Editor
David Lamb  
Northwest Rep
Shana McCormick  
Bowling Green Student Rep
Erich Merkle  
Historian
Barbara Murphy  
Liaison/Office for Children
Christopher Nelson  
Maumee Valley Rep
Ralph Pajka  
Cleveland Region Rep&Nominations/Elect
Kristen Prough  
Awards Chair
Sharon Rieke  
Southwest Rep
Linda Seekatz  
East Central Rep
Elaine Semper  
President-elect/Spring Conf. Co-chair
Mary Ann Teitelbaum  
OPA Liaison
Cheryl VanDenBerge  
Business Manager
Valorie Wolcott-Mendelson  
Scholarship Fund Co-chair
Jeff York  
Technology Chair
Guests/Proxies:

Carolyn Stoops
Rachel Forman
Gayle Vanderembse
Lauren Slaughter
Jessica Rush Janigian
Stacey Ambrose
Debra Liddy

**Approval of Agenda:**
The agenda was approved as presented
Motion: Sharon Rieke
Seconded: Gail Fadel
Motion Passed

**Adoption of Minutes**
The minutes of the Nov. 4, 2009 were approved
Motion: Jay Bahnsen
Seconded: Chinnon Jaquay
Motion Passed

**President’s Report**
Linda Neiheiser welcomed all the board members, regional presidents and student representatives.

Linda again passed out the roster of board members and asked each member to review their information as to correctness. She indicated that Danielle Politi had been contacted concerning ideas that other states had used in having conferences. Danielle Politi’s comments were passed out to members of the board to be read and considered. Linda indicated that she was contacted by Tom Fagan about having a future program on the history of OSPA. President Neiheiser suggested that Chapter 11 of the Operations Manual needed to be reviewed and updated. Chapter 11 contains the standing committees including its composition, purpose and function. Linda would like to have the board vote on April 21, 2010 and then have it approved at the general meeting. She also indicated that the OSPA Ethics Code should be reviewed since it had not been revised since 2000.

She thanked Kristen Prough for her work on the Awards committee.

Linda thanked Cheryl VanDenBerge for her hard work on preparing all the reports and information for the board meeting.
Linda divided the board members, regional presidents, representatives into groups which would meet during the afternoon session.

**Past President’s Report**

Terry Bendo thanked the members for attending the board meeting and that he felt that the organization over the past several years is moving in a positive direction.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Michelle Hathorn presented the Second Quarter Report that indicated an ending balance of $218,241.47. The Fall Conference made over $40,000.

**Director of Legislative Services and Professional Relations Report:**

Ann Brennan passed out to board members an update on recent legislation.

Linda asked the regional representatives to give a short report on happenings in their area:
- CASP
- ECOSPA
- ELASPA
- MVSPA
- NCentral
- NWOSPA
- Central
- SPASEO
- SWOSPA
- KAASP

**Committee Reports:**

Linda requested that all committees report in written form two weeks in advance of the board meeting. These reports will be attached to the agenda. The following committees submitted their report: OSPA Crisis Committee, Fall Conference Committee, OSPA Scholarship Committee, OSPA Technology Committee, CASP, KAASP, NWOSPA, NASP, ODE, and Miami University Quarterly report.

**Committee Chair Reports**

Awards Committee: Kristen Prough updated the board regarding scheduling the award winners to be considered for the NASP awards. However, when contacted, most states are behind in making nominations. The committee is still deciding whether to make a
recommendation. Kristen also presented the nominees for the various awards and asked the board to confirm them.

Crisis & Intervention Committee: Brian Hill presented his report and indicated that a lot of work has been done using the internet and he has received good feedback. Brian presented an effort to foster professional development by awarding pins to those individuals which meet the requirements listed in the OSPA Crisis Honor Award Verification Form.

Legislative Committee: Chuck Archer presented the committee report. He indicated that he would like to work on a membership packet. He then talked about an important pending bill that school psychologists should be aware. The bill would require the ODE to establish a report on the body mass screening of each student and there would be an additional physical education requirement for graduation.

Fall Conference: Jay Bahnsen indicated that the fall conference will be held at the Columbus Renaissance on Nov. 4 & 5th 2010. The speakers will be Robert Brooks and Sam Goldstein.

Nominations & Elections: Ralph Pajka presented the OSPA candidates for President-Elect and Secretary. The ballots will be sent out in March 2010. Several regionals still need to contact the OSPA office with their nominees.

OSPA Scholarship Committee: Valorie Wolcott-Mendelson reported for the committee. It was reported that currently there is $28,000 in the principal fund and there is hope that soon two recipients can be awarded the scholarship. She also mentioned that 101 letters had been sent out to first year graduate students about the scholarship.

Private Practice Committee: Aimee Kirsch reported that due to the ‘wine & cheese’ get-together, the membership has increased to 12. Most of the communication has been by e-mail.

Public Relations & Community Service: Shayla Brown that they are continuing to collect books for the Cleveland Children Clinic (10,000 are needed).

Spring Conference: Elaine Semper indicated that conference information was sent out and also was available on-line at the OSPA web site. She indicated books and other material would be available for purchase.

Technology Service: Jeff York reported on the progress made to update and create an online database which would include membership data back to 1997, assigning member identification numbers and help track MCE’s for members. Jeff also mentioned that there is an ongoing effort to find out who are school psychologists in the state that are not current members of OSPA.

Youngstown State University Update on new School Psychology Program in Ohio:
Ed Fiscus & Richard Van Voorhis presented an update on the progress of Youngstown State University in offering a new training site for school psychologists in the state of Ohio. Dr. Van Voorhis presented background information and the need for an additional training site in the eastern region of Ohio. They have started the process for approval by both the state and NASP. It is hoped that when the program begins there will be 10-12 graduate students.

Historian: Erich Merkle reported that Akron University is receiving many historical documents.

Office for Exceptional Children: Barbara Murphy reported that new I.E.P. tools will be available and many eLearning modules are on-line. She indicated that monitoring review has been updated and 350 districts are conducted each year.

OPA: Mary Ann Teitelbaum reported that due to cut backs, there has been little activity at this time.

TOSP: Rob Kubick indicated that most people should have received the current TOSP. He is well pleased with the number and quality of articles for the journal.

Unfinished Business: The candidates for office of President-elect and secretary were approved with a motion by Jay Bahnsen and second by Gail Fadel.

The afternoon session consisted of a discussion by assigned tables about the OSPA challenges and possible solutions. A lively discussion of ideas followed. Linda requested that notes and ideas be submitted to her for further use to help make OSPA a better organization.

A motion of adjournment was made to adjourn at 3:00 PM

Submitted by:

Ron Lott NCSP
Secretary