Call to order:

Members Present:
John Biltz- President
Terry Bendo President-Elect
Lynn Brumfield Treasurer
Debbie Liddy Secretary
Ann Brennan Dir. of Legislative Services & Professional Relations
Cheryl VanDenBerge Business Manager
Jeff York Technology Chair/Website Administrator
Chinnon Jaquay Multicultural and Diversity Comm. Chair
Barbara Murphy Liaison- Office of Exceptional Children
Sue Johnston Fall Conference Co-Chair
Jay Bahnsen Fall Conference Co-Chair; Central Rep.
Elaine Semper Spring Conference Co-Chair
Sal Karanough-Schuler Spring Conference Co-Chair; Cleveland Rep.
Laura Gabel Public Relations Co-Chair
Nina Andrews Public Relations Co-Chair
Reuben Mosidi Nominations & Elections Co-Chair
Matt Cianciolo Membership Co-Chair
Karin Fischer-Donovan Membership Co-Chair
Charles Archer Crisis Intervention Co-Chair
Kristen Prough Awards Committee Chair; Kent/Akron Rep.
Juliette Madigan NASP Liaison
Mary Ann Teitelbaum OPA Liaison
Valorie Wolcott-Mendelson AFFIC Liaison; Scholarship Fund Chair
Denise DiMaria-Lopardo Cleveland Rep.
Gail Weygandt North Central Rep.
Debra Buck Southeast Rep.
Sharon Reike Southwest Rep.
Chinnon Jaquay Maumee Valley Rep.
Denise Eslinger Elyria/Lorain Rep.
Luci Secord Central Rep.

Guests:

Meeting called to order: 4:45

Approval of Agenda:
The agenda was approved: as is_x__ as amended___
Motion: Sal Karanough-Shuler
Second: Sharon Reike
Motion Passed___x_  Motion Failed___  Motion Passed as Corrected___
Approval of Minutes of May Meeting:
The minutes of the May Executive Board meeting were: approved as is_X__ as amended_X__
Motion: Nina Andrews
Second: Debbie Liddy
Motion Passed_X__ Motion Failed__ Motion Passed as Corrected__

President's Report:
Passing out list to see who’s going to dinner. Chuck Archer; talked about Paul Weingartner. John will write letter to Paul’s wife. Discussion of new scholarship. Set up new task force.
Motion: Take OSPA scholarship moneys, and OSPA Endowment moneys and put them together in Columbus Foundation to develop new scholarship fund. Motion to contract with Columbus Foundation to do this.
Motion: Debbie Buck
2nd: Jay Bahnsen
Motion: Move Endowment moneys into scholarship fund.
Discussion: Columbus Foundation requires the least amount of money to make it happen. They have offered to help us “do it right” so we don’t have problems later on. Need to do it right at the beginning so we don’t run into trouble later on. Lynn: brought brochure to pass around to help us understand the Foundation. What are their fees and requirements? Start fund with $10,000. Take .5% for fees. Investment fees are 1.5%. Help administer it and take donations. Make sure our nonprofit status stays intact. Protects recipient. Check will go from Foundation to university to student. They will provide letter to donators for tax purposes. We will maintain selection process. We will still send $500 to NASP. The Ohio scholarship will not necessarily be a minority scholarship. All the record keeping will be done by the Columbus Found. Buying raffle tickets are not tax deductible.
Endowment was established pre-Ann. $12,400 plus $4,000 from last year.
Motion; Gayle Vonderembse
2nd: Denise Motion carried.
KAASP would like us to make a motion to have Chris Walker replace Kristen Prough as district rep.
Motion: Denise Eslinger
2nd: Denise DiMaria-Lapardo
Jeff Gordon is serving as proxy for Heidi Devore.
Welcomed interns at intern conference. Would like to add intern/student web page to our website. Possible intern slot on board. According to By-Laws it would be nonvoting and would serve as a liaison position. Need motion to enter into liaison relationship with students. Chuck Archer: some univ. have 100% student membership, could student rep be from one of those? Student must be member of OSPA to be on Board. Would it be current intern or student going into internship the following year? Could limit it to only interns, but Pres. feels it should be intern/student. Question related to communication between intern rep. and other univ. students. Could there be more than one? Having one student would be first step. Regional rep
Treasurer’s Report:
The Treasurer’s Report was: approved as is \_\_x\_ as Corrected\_\_
Motion: Sal Karanough-Shuler
Second: Reuben Mosidi
Motion Passed \_\_ Motion Failed ___ Motion Passed as Corrected ___

CRT proposal for training workshop. Would like financial support from OSPA. Need motion from Board to approve this training and money to support it. no line item currently to support other conferences.
Motion: Terry Bendo
2nd: Sal Karanough-Shuler

Current account earns 1.458% interest. Would like to move savings account into account that earns 4% int. Need motion to make this move.

Business Manager’s Report:
TOSPA deadline 12/15. NASP is 2/6-9/08. next board meeting on 2/15.
A list of new members was sub,mitted for approval.
Motion: Channon Jaquay
2nd: Jay Bahnsen

Legislative Issues:
Ann’s husband was elected mayor of Bexley. The rules for vision-Content work groups, a group of stake holders reps to help with guidance document to work on Table of Contents to see if it’s logical and in good order. Revising sections in groups. MFE and IEP paperwork and recommendations for changes. Get input back for second draft, and second draft can be shared to assoc. members. OSPA members are serving on various workgroups. Had Task Force within OSPA that were recommended by Rob Kubick. Guidance document is supposed to be done by July 1, 2008. Rules are due to be adopted in January or February to go into effect on July 1. Updates will be posted on Listserv and website. Determine what forms and give samples. Website will show process of eval’s on a user-friendly website. use experts to establish what info is used. Discussion: web is not available to all people. Do
“spots” on TV to help families understand what is available for them. Need public info campaign to let people know what’s available. Follow up TV spots with pamphlets or brochures. Gov. wants to focus on outcomes. Teacher misconduct bills. Senate has passed one. Background checks on all school employees and keep shared database. Educator code of conduct to become standard. Targeting child abuse and sexual abuse and misconduct. Give to the Dept. of Education to put more info on database-like DUI’s. May impose penalties on supt’s if they don’t report the info to ODE.

HB 348. Education voucher bill. OSPA testified about serious concerns of bill. Core of leg. want this to pass, but no support in Senate. Where does Coalition stand? Official position just raised serious concerns about accountability standards of voucher schools. Would they have highly qualified teachers, IEP support. They might support pilot. Budget position- would have to update weights, passed in Senate, but didn’t get anywhere. John Blitz and Ann Brennan have meeting with Gov. next week. on educ. reform issues and how those would relate to budget.

FYI- Different models. There are negative feelings toward term “OISM” so may be changing it to Ohio Integrated Education Model.

Presented a need to discuss the revision of the ORC to look at the psychologist/pupil ratio, OEC wants to get a stakeholders group together to discuss the whole issue of ratios, find out what the ratios are, and figure out where they need to be. Ospa endorses a ratio of 1:1000. We need to look at it in the framework of “school teams.” If we do research on this, it must include the total role of the school psychologist. Possibly do a needs assessment, and be aware of the economic impact.

Committee Reports:

Fall Conference: Next year’s (2008) Fall Conference will be at the Crowne Point, but the following year (2009) will be held at the Renaissance in downtown Columbus. Jack Fletcher will be the speaker on Friday.

Nominations and Elections: Reuben noticed a correction for the August 2007 minutes. The region that should have had a name on the ballot in the spring but was omitted was the SE region instead of the NE region. The Central, Northeast, and Cleveland regions will have one representative to elect in the spring, along with the positions of Secretary and President-Elect.

Spring Conference: Dates for Spring Conference are April 17-18, instead of our usual time in May. The hotel is the Hilton at Easton. The speaker will be Nancy Mather on “Characteristics and Interventions for Students With Reading and Writing Disabilities.” The brochure must clarify what constitutes “teams.” The capacity is 300-400. Would it be possible to open it up to other states? The member rate will be applied to teams, and they must have the same building addresses on their registration forms. We will advertise through teacher groups and NASP. Registration information will be ready for the next addition of TOSP.
Technology: Everything seems to be going smoothly. The number of visitors to the website has increased to 52,000 a year. The Intern page is a good idea and ideas should be given to Jeff. He is looking at ideas for improvement, maybe a new web-host company. Would the Board approve a company outside of the state? Could there be a better package somewhere else—not in Ohio? Reuben Mosidi-Find out information on costs so the Board can see what differences are. We have almost reached the max. of our website within the current company or look elsewhere? Jeff will make a cost comparison to bring back to the board.

NASP Update: John Biltz and Juliette Madigan are going to Wisconsin to attend the Central Region NASP meeting. Reminder that NASP Conference is in New Orleans this year for Mardi Gras. Must register before 11/11/07 to get the Early Bird rate. School Psychologist Awareness Week starts on November 15. Try to send a note to someone in the district who is doing positive things for children. The NASP Children’s Fund is working with KaBoom to build a playground in New Orleans. Members can donate to the NASP CF, or to this specific cause. There are concerns about the APA discussions to change the title of school psychologist. The NASP position is on the NASP website. This topic was not a major concern in the last APA elections. We would have to pay $200 to become a NASP approved provider for workshops and conferences. For school psychologists coming into Ohio, ODE will accept the NCSP as an initial credential. Once the person has been hired by a district, they can work through their LPDC to get ODE licensure. There are 191 NASP members in Ohio.

OPA Update: The Parity Bill passed. APA is recommending changes in psychology law. These changes are definitional changes which may make things better for school psychologists. The proposed revisions are to get rid of old, outdated language. It would eliminate the oral part of the licensing exam, and it would just be written. Mary Ann Teitelbaum will bring up APA issues at OPA. Changes in APA are being proposed by a task force, but they have not been proposed to the leadership yet.

TOSP: Deadline for submissions is December 15, 2007.

Motion to Adjourn:
Motion: Sal Karanough-Shuler
Second: Luci Secord
Motion Passed

Adjournment: 7:27 PM