Welcome new Student Reps and Guests
Denise welcomed the students, interns, and guests that attended the board meeting.

Approval of Agenda
The agenda was approved as presented.
    Motion: Sharon Reike
    Second: Jay Bahnsen
    Motion Passed

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the August 17, 2012 Executive Board meeting were approved as corrected
    Motion: Dan Dean
    Second: Mary Ann Teitelbaum
    Motion Passed

President’s Report
Nothing to report at this time.

Treasurer’s Report
Starting to see an increase in income from MCE renewals.

    Motion to approve the 1st quarter treasurer’s report
    Motion: Jay Bahnsen
    Second: Ralph Pajka
    Motion passed

Director of Legislative Services
Ann provided the committee information on SB 316, SB 342, changes to STRS. Ann’s updates are typically posted on the OSPA website and through the OSPA ListServ. Ann briefly touched on the legislation regarding ODE restraints and seclusions. ODE restraints and seclusions comment period has closed and new draft will be discussed at their December board meeting. Ann spoke about the Third Grade Reading Guarantee. This year the “cut scores” are set at 390, with an increase to 392 for the 2013-2014 school year. She further reported that this is a budget year for the general assembly. The educational funds may follow the child. This will be closely monitored by the legislative committee. Ann informed the board about the Equity and Adequacy coalition. Support for public education. Anticipated to roll out next week. Goal is to collect 800,000 of public school advocates to help with their campaign. Ann would like to have OSPA involved in this and monitor what is happening and the subsequent activities.

Office for Exceptional Children
Mike commented on the current legislation regarding seclusion and restraint. He reported that some agencies strongly lobbied that seclusion and restraint should be out of schools entirely or phased out within the next three years. Michael does not anticipate this to go this way, but will keep the group notified on changing trends.
    Debra Buck addressed a question regarding the use of sensory rooms in schools as related to this issue.
    Mike’s response: The language in the legislation allows for “therapeutic interventions.” They are trying to build language to protect appropriate therapeutic techniques. The language of seclusion has to deal with permitting the student from leaving or causing harm to self.
OSPA Executive Director Proposal

Rob Kubick

Rob addressed the board in regards to the proposal that was presented at the August board meeting. The association needs to have more consistency and continuity of a point person to assist with the day to day function of the OSPA office. The purpose at the August board meeting was to address board initially, get feedback from board members, and discussion. There is a required language change to the OSPA Operations Manual. Rob has provided this language change to the board in written format. He further reviewed in detail the reconstitution of the Planning and Development committee that would act in concert with the Executive Director on recommended decisions. In summary, the major changes to the Operations Manual include:
- title change
- addition of job responsibilities
- reconstitution of Planning and Development Committee

BOARD FEEDBACK:
Mary Ann Teitelbaum addressed a question regarding personnel evaluation. Currently, it is an ad hoc committee. There could be future consideration this task fall under the responsibilities of the Planning and Development Committee. Further recommendations were made that this could become a standing committee. Another recommendation stated to have a survey go out for individuals to provide evaluative feedback after last board meeting (spring).

At this point in the meeting, the two OSPA employees respectfully left the board room for further open discussion among the Executive Board.

Clarification was made to the board that personnel evaluation is currently through an ad hoc committee. Salary and Benefits is overseen by the Fiscal Advisory Council (FAC).

Rob Kubick reported that Ann Brennan is currently hourly and how the FAC was in discussion to help transition to a salary. There was board discussion regarding how salary increases would be evaluated. Currently, it is conditions based and it is reviewed every two years by the FAC.

Valorie Wolcott Mendelson recommended a baseline be collected to determine appropriate data to justify the added value of the added value of transitioning from the current model (hourly employee) to the proposed model (salaried employee).

The board questioned the FAC regarding the proposed salary amount. Rob Kubick reported that the salary was approved by the FAC and it is revenue neutral with certain lien item cuts, as recommended by the FAC. The board further questioned the specific amount of cuts that were made to accommodate the transition to salary. Treasurer, Terry Bendo reported the cuts that were mentioned in the FAC meeting: an elimination of executive board member expenses that are currently covered by the budget, reduction in copying fees associated with conferences by providing electronic handouts, and cuts to the TOSP newsletter budget.

Aimee Kirsch made a motion to create the executive director position and the subsequent changes to the OSPA Operations manual
Second: Debra Buck
Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports

Awards
Cindy Thompson/Melissa Bestgen
The School Psychologist of the Year award will be presented during the Fall 2012 conference. There was question regarding the spring awards; more particularly who evaluates the rubrics and scores them to determine the “winner.” Clarification was provided by the chairs: In the spring, the committee reviews the applications. The chairs would like to add some more people to be on the committee. The chairs would like to have Past president, president, and president elect to
formally participate in the selection process for spring awards. Regional reps will also participate in the review and selection process. The upcoming deadline for spring awards is January 30th.

The committee reported that they are looking to introduce some new awards, such as an early career award. The chairs would like to run this as a trial at the Spring Conference.

Crisis & Intervention
Brian Hill
Brian continues to email out monthly discussion topics. He intends to upload items to the website for use by the membership. The committee is looking forward to wine and cheese social tomorrow to further build the committee.

Scholarship
Valorie Wolcott Mendelson
Valorie reported a total of $3,500 in assessment products for the Fall 2012 conference raffle. Some items included: five Department 56 collectables (there will be five for the next five years that will be used in the raffle). The committee will continue use the donor pins (when contributing a donation of $25 or more). These members will also be recognized in TOSP. Valorie is setting the goal for $7,000 this year. If this is obtained we will have $56,000 by the end of the year and $80,000 if we continue at this rate for 5 years. This could potentially lead to offering two $2,000 scholarships.

Fall conference
Jay Bahnsen & Sue Johnston
The Fall 2013 conference will feature Steven Ffefer (Neuropsychology of Reading), Dawn Flanigan (Crossbattery approach to Reading Assessment), and George McCloskey (Interventions for Reading). The committee is looking to get revenue from testing companies to help cover and/or offset the costs for the second conference day and speaker honorariums.

Public Relations
Heather Doyle & Stacey Ambrose
Heather reported on behalf of the committee. With the recent natural disaster, the committee announced that 100% of earnings from “vintage” clothing items are going to Red Cross disaster relief. A portion of other sales made during the conference will be donated to Red Cross Relief. The committee is recommending Friday as a “dress down” day for $5 donation.

The committee was proud to announce the acknowledgement of School Psychology Awareness Week by Governor Kasich. He made an official proclamation for the week, which can be found on the OSPA website.

Technology
Jeff York
Jeff reported that he hoped to have online membership renewal at this point. However some other items have taken precedence and after these projects are taken care of in OSPA office (such as MCE renewals) this will be re-addressed. New features on the website include:
- members have the ability to update their profile on the website
- opt-in feature for social networking within the site
- expanding membership opportunities (ex. through the mentor/mentee program)
LinkedIn is going well with a total of 82 members. OSPA also has a YouTube channel where the videos of Alex Thomas and Tom Fagan from the 2012 Spring Conference can be found. All links to social media are available on the OSPA website.

OMNIBUS SURVEY—the basic survey is comprised in draft format in survey monkey. This will be tested with select individuals on the board before it is distributed to the remainder of the membership. Anticipated release is December 2012/January 2013. The committee further reported that 25 Amazon gift cards will be distributed to a random selection of people who complete the survey-special thanks to Kathy McNamara. The survey is anticipated to be distributed to approximately 2,000 school psychologists; it would not be going out to just OSPA members.

SIDE NOTE- Dr. Carlin from the University of Akron a contributing presenter on the legislative
A caseload review provided great information on caseload ratios for PTs, OTs, & SLPs but no information and/or data for school psychologists. After receipt of the OMNIBUS survey, OSPA will have numbers to present to the caseload committee.

**Membership services** Jennifer Douglas & Aimee Kirsch
The committee presented to the board the newly added members since the August board meeting. In collaboration with the Early Career Task Force, the membership committee will sponsor a “coffee hour” on Friday morning of the conference to kick off a mentorship program, starting at 7AM.

Motion to accept the new members:
- Motion: Mary Ann Teitelbaum
- Second: Dan Dean
- Motion passed

**Multicultural & Diversity** Marina Ergun & Meghan Shelby
The committee is looking forward to Dr. Ortiz’s presentation at the 2012 conference. Marina will be interviewing him after his presentation. The committee reported that many new members are interested in joining the committee. The committee is looking at other ideas for better ways to support GLBTQ within the schools and continue to write articles in the TOSP.

**Nominations and Elections** Ralph Pajka & Reuben Mosidi
The committee utilizes many avenues to promote participation of the executive board such as:
- meet & greet during wine and cheese social to encourage members to run for office
- try to solicit candidates for office through ListServ.
Joint membership numbers from each region are typically due in December, which determines the number of regional representatives for each regional association. For the coming year the following positions are available: President Elect, Secretary, CASP (two open positions), Elyria/Lorain, KAASP, Maumee Valley, North Central, Central, Southeast, and Southwest.

**Spring Conference** Sal Karanouh-Schuler/Elaine Semper
The spring conference committee reported the conference is April 18-19, 2013. On April 18th Russell Barkley will be speaking. This is his one of his last presentations; be sure to make this event! On April 19th Gloria Maccow from PsychCorp will present on how we evaluate cognitive strength and weaknesses in the morning and how to provide subsequent interventions through their new program CogMed, in the afternoon.

This conference will open for members only in February. It will then open up to everyone else in March. The max capacity for this conference is 1,000. The committee is targeting counselors, social workers, and teams that would be able to register in March. This conference was advertised during the Fall 2012 conference.

**Private Practice** Erich Merkle
This committee is for doctoral level and specialist level practitioners. There are different credential levels within private practice. Currently the committee provides prep materials for the State Board of School Psychology license. The committee hopes to also assist in non doctoral school psychology licensure. The committee asked the board for feedback on how to make this committee useful for our membership.

**TOSP** Rob Kubick
Rob reported the current issue is going to printer on Monday. He solicited committee reports to be sent to him to include it in the next issue. He plans to have the next issue between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Old Business- the board had previously discussed the cover design of the TOSP. Rob reported that next year this could be changed along with the color change that occurs with each new year.
to reflect the different university colors of the school psychology programs around the state.

**Historian**
Kate Bobak-Lavik
Kate supplied a list of test kits that the board has in possession to review with Akron Archives. She will look for appropriate locations if the Archives already has the test kit.

**OSSP**
Perry Clark
Perry reported that Mike Petrasek from the Ohio Department of Education, Ann Brennan and Brian Hill from the Ohio School Psychologists Association presented to OSSP. The discussion topic focused on legislative and crisis intervention in the schools. The group also spoke with Frank Scarano (from Chardon Schools). Frank came and talked to the group about the response to the Chardon School shootings. The next upcoming meeting is Wed. Dec 5th. Perry encouraged psychologists any supervisor of school psychologists can attend. This group can be found through OSPA website for contact information to attend the meeting.

**ISPA**
Juliette Madigan
Juliette reported about the NASP Children’s fund. One of Ohio’s own, Bonnie Jasinsiu a school psychologist from Shaker Heights schools, was on the front of the NASP Communiqué. She donated retirement monies to NASP children’s fund and collected over $3,500. Juliette further reported that Ohio has the top number of people who applied for mini grants from the children’s funds.

Juliette is excited to be added as a liaison for ISPA. The conference this year is July 17-20th in Portugal. There is not full information up on website. However, there is a YouTube video. She will work w/ technology to get this up and running on the OSPA website to advertise the international conference. Juliette’s goal is to provide enough information to the OSPA membership to get 14 people to join (as this was the number that attended in Switzerland).

**OPA**
Mary Ann Teitelbaum
Mary Ann reported that OPA has started a task force on bullying issues, which she will be a part of this task force. She further reported that there are big issues with the private sector individuals regarding the DSM and the code that people use to bill. It may affect Medicaid issues as well, but she will find out more information and report back to the board.

**Early Career Task Force**
Kelly Kreitz & Kristen Engler
Kelly thanked Jeff York for his contribution to creating a web-based way for mentees to sign up for the Mentor/Mentee program. This committee continues to work with the membership committee. Thanks were also provided to Amity Noltemeyer and Cheryl VanDenBerge for the intern social event that is taking place this evening at 8:30PM.

**Unfinished Business**
Congratulations went out to new Executive Director, Ann Brennan with warm applause from the Executive Board.

**Adjournment**
Motion: Karin Tinnon
Second: Terry Bendo
Motion Passed

**Adjourned at 6:55PM**
OSPA Executive Board Members in attendance:

Executive Board Members Present
Chuck Archer Legislative Committee Chair
Jay Bahnsen Central Ohio Regional Representative/
          Fall Conference Committee Chair
Terry Bendo Treasurer
Melissa Bestgen Awards Committee Co-Chair
Ann Brennan Director of Legislative Services/Professional Relations
Lynn Brumfield Southwest Regional Representative
Debra Buck Southeast Regional Representative
Perry Clark OSSP Liaison
Dan Dean Cleveland Regional Representative
Jennifer Douglas Membership Committee Co-Chair
Heather Doyle Public Relations Committee Co-Chair
Marina Ergun Multicultural/Diversity Committee Co-Chair
Denise Eslinger President
Brittany Flynn Student Representative-Kent State University
Steve Fricke East Central Regional Representative
Brooke Gosser Student Representative-University of Dayton
Julie Griffith Secretary
Brian Hill Crisis Intervention Committee Chair
Susan Johnston Fall Conference Committee Co-Chair
Patrick Kane Student Representative-University of Toledo
Sal Karanouh-Schuler Spring Conference Committee Chair
Laura Kastein Student Representative-Ohio State University
Aimee Kirsch Past-President/ Membership Committee Co-Chair
Kelly Kreitz Early Career Task Force Co-Chair
Robert Kubick TOSP Editor
David Lamb Northwest Regional Representative
Kate Bobak-Lavik Historian
Juliette Madigan ISPA Liaison
Kathy McNamara NASP Liaison
Erich Merkle Kent/Akron Regional Representative
Reuben Mosidi Nominations & Elections Committee Co-Chair
Amity Noltemeyer President-Elect
Ralph Pajka Cleveland Regional Representative/
          Nominations & Elections Committee Co-Chair
Michael Petrasek ODE/OEC Liaison
Sharon Rieke Southwest Regional Representative
Jenny Schmidt Student Representative-John Carroll University
Luci Secord Central Ohio Regional Representative
Elaine Semper Spring Conference Committee Co-Chair
Meghan Shelby Multicultural/Diversity Committee Co-Chair
Mary Ann Teitelbaum OPA Liaison
Lucinda Thompson Awards Committee Co-Chair
Karin Tinnon Cleveland Regional Representative
Cheryl VanDenBerge Business Manager
Kelly Weaver Student Representative-University of Cincinnati
Kristin Willis Student Representative-Miami University
Valorie Wolcott Mendelson OSPA Scholarship Fund Chair
Jeff York Technology Committee Chair

Guests/Proxies:
John Biltz, Proxy for Christopher Nelson (Maumee Valley Regional Representative)
Heather Doyle, Proxy for Katherine Klamut (Kent/Akron Regional Rep)
Brian T. Glen, Guest
Erin Pope, Guest
Karen Stine, Guest