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Division of Military Psychology

AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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From the President

Gordon A. Eckstrand

To: Members of Division 19

Are you interested in a Division 19 which is more active and alive? I am, and I hope that you are too. If you want to see it happen, then you must become more active and alive as a Division member.

As we begin the 1971-72 year, it is appropriate for all of us in Division 19 to be thinking of ways and developing plans for making our organization more effective in achieving its purposes. These purposes, as stated in our Bylaws, are as follows:

- a. To advance psychology as a science and as a means of promoting the public welfare through research, the application of research findings to military problems, and the encouragement of professional relationships among psychologists interested in the application of psychological knowledge and techniques to military problems.
- b. To foster wide dissemination and application of scientific knowledge and state of the art advances in areas relevant to military psychology.

Division 19 is the membership as a whole, not just the people who have been elected or selected to serve the organization for a specified period. These people alone can achieve very little. Therefore, I invite and urge each of you to take a more active interest in the affairs of the Division and to assist the officers and committee chairmen in creating the kind of active and dynamic organization I know we all desire.

As the President of Division 19, I have attempted to formulate certain goals for the Division for the current year. I hope that these goals will serve as a stimulus to greater interest and activity within the organization. My goals are described below. I hope that each member of Division 19 will share in these goals and will assist in their attainment.

Goal No. 1 - Bigger Membership

Division 19 is one of the smaller Divisions in APA. This in itself is not bad, of course, but it is apparent that there are many who should be a member of the Division who are not. We need to expand our efforts to bring these people into the organization.

Last year the Membership Committee, under the leadership of Colonel Charles A. Thomas, Jr. did an outstanding job. There was a marked increase in applications for affiliation with Division 19 as compared to recent years, and 20 members and 15 associates were added to the rolls. Our goal for this year should be to continue this fine record and do at least as well. I am happy to report that Colonel Thomas has agreed to head the Membership Committee for another year. In order for him and his committee to have another successful year, each member of the Division must help. Please assist the Membership Committee by encouraging applications from psychologists who have a record of accomplishment, participation or sustained interest in military psychology.

I personally would like to see more psychologists affiliated with Division 19 who are not working directly for the military departments and their contractors. This type of membership would add vitality to the Division and would foster a more broadly based concern with the psychological issues associated with military service. I was startled recently to learn that about one-half of all adult American males have been in the armed forces. Such figures are a dramatic reminder of the tremendous impact that the military establishment has on American society and suggest the desirability of a widely representative membership in Division 19. Therefore, I urge each of you to be alert to the possibility of enlisting new members among psychologists who are seriously interested in military psychology, even though they have no formal connection with organized programs in the field. Under the revised Bylaws, such individuals are eligible for Division membership, and I will be disappointed if we do not take advantage of this broadening of the eligibility criteria.

Goal No. 2 - Better Communication

In an organization that meets only once a year, communication is a problem. We have officers and committees within Division 19, and the people involved in these groups communicate with each other by letter and phone in carrying out their assignments. But this type of communication, while necessary, is not sufficient to build and sustain a vital organization. We need better communication among the membership as a whole.

One potentially valuable method of communication is our Newsletter, the first 1971-72 issue of which you are now reading. In the past, we have had difficulty in using the Newsletter effectively, and last year we were able to publish only a single issue. This year our goal is to publish three issues. In order to achieve this goal, once again your help is needed. Dr. Walt Grether is the current Editor of the Newsletter. He is working hard to meet the goal of three interesting and informative issues of the Newsletter this year, but this will not be possible without the active cooperation of a large number of members. Elsewhere in this issue, you will find a message from the Editor explaining how you can help. Please read this message and then respond.

In addition to the Newsletter, we also need more person to person communication within the Division. In this Newsletter you will find a complete list of the officers, committees and other appointees of Division 19 for the 1971-72 year. I urge you to communicate with these people and share your ideas with them. Only in this way can the organization be made more responsive to the membership.

Goal No. 3 - Wider Use of the Literature of Military Psychology

Many of us have been concerned for some time with the limited dissemination and use of the literature of military psychology. Much of the research done in the field of military psychology is published as Technical Reports. While these may serve well to communicate with other military psychologists working in or for the Government, they rarely become a part of the common literature of psychology. Many of these technical reports and other non-archival reports are of high quality and make a significant contribution to the field. Yet they are rarely cited in journal articles or in the Annual Review of Psychology. Furthermore, they are rarely available in University Libraries. This is unfortunate, particularly in areas where the military is doing a substantial portion of the research; e.g. human performance, training and human engineering.

This year, our goal is to begin the process of doing something about this problem. Therefore, I have appointed a Special Committee to look into the scope of the problem and to develop recommendations as to how it can be overcome. This committee is headed by Dr. Earl Alluisi of the University of Louisville. The committee will report verbally at the 1972 APA Convention as well as by means of a written report which can be circulated to the Division 19 membership. If you have examples, suggestions or ideas about this problem, I am sure Dr. Alluisi would like to hear from you. You will find his address listed with the Officers and Committee Chairmen.

These, then, are a few Division 19 goals for the 1971-72 year. You might protest that the goals are quite modest, and that there are many other goals that we should be defining for ourselves. I would agree. Perhaps, however, by starting in this small way, we can establish a precedent which will be carried on in future years in a more aggressive and formalized way. Only by setting goals and working together to reach them will we be able to achieve our overall objective of having a Division 19 which is more active and alive.

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING FOR DIVISION 19, APA

September 1971

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Saul Sells at 3 p.m. on 6 September 1971 at the Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C. There were 32 members present at the opening of the meeting.
- 2. The Secretary read the minutes of the business meeting of 1970. The minutes were approved as read.
- 3. The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Treasurer's report showing an initial balance in APA accounts as of 31 December 1970 of \$1734.80; income of \$347 from dues for a total of available operating funds of \$2081.80; expenses of \$215.28 primarily for postage and printing in the operation of committee business and the Newsletter were incurred during the year. A balance of \$2006.59 remained in the treasury as of 1 July 1971. In addition to funds in the APA account, a balance of approximately \$650 remains in the "Jack Jenkins Fund."

4. Committee Reports

- A. Program Committee. Dr. Paul Nelson reported that this year's Program Committee attempted to work around a broad and general theme of human performance and adjustment under conditions of work and stress. This year's program consists of seven invited symposia, one paper session, one conversation hour, and two invited addresses, one of which is cosponsored with Division 21 and the other with Divisions 8, 13 and 14. As has been customary in previous years, a social hour was cohosted with Division 21.
- B. Membership Committee. A report of the Membership Committee was presented by its Chairman, Col Charles A. Thomas, Jr. The committee reviewed 20 applications for member status and 15 applications for associate status during the course of the year. All applications reviewed by the committee were favorably considered. The 20 individuals recommended for membership are:

Dumont G. Blankenship Richard W. Blumberg Lloyd R. Chason Robert H. Cortner Richard E. Doll Darrel Edwards Stanley H. Holgate Stephen T. Lifrak Joseph D. Murray Ellis B. Page Jacob P. Panzarella
Joseph G. Poirier
Maurice R. Seaquist
Frederick J. Smith
Richard C. Sorenson
Robert W. Stephenson
Lawrence E. Symington
Lorand B. Szalay
Llewellyn N. Wiley
Martin F. Wiskoff

The following individuals were recommended for associate status:

Gene A. Berry
Charles K. Bowles
Roger D. Clark
Bertram W. Cream
Eugene H. Drucker
Christopher E. Ebbe
Stanley A. Foxx
Emmanuel B. Green

William H. Hendrix John F. House Thomas N. Jones Robert B. Machen John F. McRae Russel E. Schulz Walter C. Vertreace

Colonel Thomas commented on the marked increase in application for affiliation with Division 19 this year as opposed to last: 35 versus 8.

Colonel Thomas commented on the difficulties in processing applications under the Bylaws currently in existence and strongly recommended, on behalf of his committee, that the Bylaws be amended with regard to the issue of endorsement of members, standards of eligibility, and deadline for submitting applications. Subsequent discussion from the floor indicated that the changes Colonel Thomas proposes have been incorporated in amendments to the Bylaws which were to be considered in the report of the Bylaws Committee.

C. Committee on Fellows. A report of the Fellows Committee was presented by Dr. John E. Rasmussen in the absence of the Committee Chairman, Dr. James L. Hedlund. A call for nominations for Fellow status was sent to all Fellows of the Division of Military Psychology on 10 February 1971. A total of 12 recommendations for nominees was received; the committee endorsed 10. One of these candidates is already a Fellow of APA and the remaining 9 candidates were submitted to the APA Membership Committee. This latter committee approved 7 of the Division 19 nominees. Action was taken to request the APA Committee reconsider the name of one nominee whom they had rejected. Upon reconsideration this individual was approved for Fellow status.

The following members of Division 19 were nominated for Fellow status:

Rosalie K. Ambler
Ralph R. Canter
Eric Gunderson
Donald F. Haggard
James A. McKnight

Jane McReynolds John E. Taylor Charles A. Thomas Carl M. Wagner

D. Report of Newsletter Editor. Dr. J. Daniel Lyons presented a brief report indicating that one issue of the Newsletter had been published during the past year. Dr. Lyons commented on the difficulty of obtaining material for publication in the

Newsletter, and the failure of members of the Division to respond to his request for newsworthy items. It was recommended that the Executive Committee of the Division give attention to the Newsletter during the coming year to the end of determining:

- The function it is expected to serve;
- b. The advisability of its continuing existence; and
- c. The policies and procedures which should be adopted if it is to continue.
- 5. Dr. John E. Rasmussen presented a report for Dr. Walter L. Wilkins on his activity as the Division representative of the APA's Task Force on Aging. Dr. Wilkins indicated that the June meeting of the Task Force heard prepared statements from members which served as a discussion basis not only for the symposium presentations at the present meeting of APA, but also for some of the APA representation at the White House Conference on Aging. Dr. Wilkins indicated that he made no formal presentation and his contributions were limited to suggestions. No expenses were incurred.
- 6. Dr. Arthur J. Drucker reported on activity of the Inter-Association Council on Test Reviewing. It was reported that a survey was conducted among members of a number of interested professional organizations and journal editors; however, Division 19 was not included. Next year's activity of the IACTR will be devoted to development of a test review system and revitalization of the IACTR with an intense "involvement" program to bring a greater variety and number of test-users in the field together with a fund raising and membership campaign.
 - Dr. Drucker expressed considerable reservation about the purpose and effectiveness of IACTR; however, he recommended that the Division continue to be represented. He further recommended that we make no financial contribution until directly solicited by the IACTR. It was moved and seconded to accept Dr. Drucker's recommendations.
- 7. Dr. J. E. Rasmussen, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaw Revision, discussed amendments which were being proposed to the Division 19 Bylaws. The amendments proposed by the Bylaw Committee were concerned with redefining the purpose of the Division and liberalizing requirements for associate and member status in the Division. After a brief discussion it was moved and seconded that the revisions proposed by the Bylaw Committee be accepted. The motion carried unanimously.

8. As a last item of old business, Dr. J. E. Rasmussen presented a report of the Election Committee for Dr. T. O. Jacobs, the Committee Chairman. This year's election included a representative on the APA Council as well as the office of President-Elect. Following a survey of the membership, three candidates agreed to stand for each office. The candidates for President-Elect were: Drs. J. Christensen, W. L. Wilkins, and J. E. Rasmussen. Nominees for Council Representative were: Drs. P. D. Nelson, H. W. Sinaiko, and J. E. Uhlaner. Dr. Christensen was elected President-Elect of the Division, and Dr. Uhlaner as Representative to the APA Council.

9. New Business

- A. President Sells discussed a request from the APA Task Force on Ethical Standards for comments on a draft document which will constitute a major change in updating the standards. Because of provisions concerning informed consent of subjects and various aspects of control regarding human subject experimentation in psychology, the proposed draft of the standards is considered of major significance to military psychology. Comments must be received by the Task Force prior to November 1. A committee consisting of Drs. William McClelland and Aaron Nadel was appointed to make an in-depth review of the proposed ethical standards document. These comments are to be transmitted to the Executive Committee in sufficient time to permit a formal Division position to be developed and transmitted prior to the deadline.
- B. A vote on new associates, members and Fellows of Division 19 was taken at the request of President Sells. It was moved and seconded that the recommendations of the Fellow and Membership Committees be accepted. The new associates, members and Fellows were unanimously elected.
- C. It was moved and seconded that the unexpended balance of funds in the Division 19 account be retained in accordance with APA Bylaws rather than reverting to the general treasury of APA. The motion was carried unanimously. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to so advise the Comptroller of APA.
- D. At the request of the President the membership of the Division rose and observed a moment of silent tribute in memory of Dr. Ed Dudek, a Fellow of the Division who died during the past year.

E. Dr. Gordon Eckstrand presented a brief report on the meeting of the APA Council of Representatives. He outlined the new method of electing representatives to Council which resulted from acceptance of the Albee Commission report on organization and function of Council.

A new Division of Humanistic Psychology was established at the Council meeting, and it was voted to accept a petition of the Alaska Psychological Association for affiliation with APA. The problem of the unanticipated although rather significant budget shortage which will be experienced by APA this year and next year was described. Dr. Eckstrand indicated that the registration fee for the annual meeting would be increased from \$10 to \$15 for members and \$15 to \$25 for non-members for next year in an effort to offset the budget deficit.

Dr. Rasmussen reported briefly on the Division Secretaries' meeting and raised the question of possible coalition with another Division in order to increase representation on the APA Council under the Albee revision of Council rules.

F. President Sells introduced the incoming President, Dr. Gordon Eckstrand, and after thanking Division officers and committee members with whom he had served during the year, adjourned the meeting.

A total of 48 members were present when the meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

John E. Rasmussen Secretary-Treasurer Division 19, APA

From the Membership Committee

As of September 1971 the Bylaws of Division 19 are amended to include the modification of requirements for membership. Henceforth applicants for affiliate, associate or member status need only to present satisfactory evidence of accomplishment, participation, or sustained interest in furthering the goals of military psychology. Endorsers for these membership categories are no longer needed. However, an applicant must hold at least the status in APA for which he or she is applying in Division 19.

I would like to strongly urge all present members of Division 19 to provide me with the names, addresses, and/or telephone numbers of prospective Division 19 members or have the prospects contact me. I will take it from there. With your help we will have a good increment in membership this year. Please take the time to drop me a note or give me a call with a few names. You can reach me as follows:

Col Charles A. Thomas, Jr. Psychology Consultant OTSG, DA, Room 6B044 Forrestal Washington, D. C. 20314

Telephone Number: AC 202, 693-6264

From the Program Committee

Make your plans now to be on the program for the Annual Meeting in Hawaii next Fall!

For the 1971 Convention, Division 19 had 17 hours of program time. For the 1972 Convention we have reserved 20 hours. The Program Committee has suggested that the theme for the meeting in Hawaii should be oriented to current problems. These include drug rehabilitation research, search for cultural bias in personnel management, and improved accommodation of the individual. Symposia and papers will be selected in terms of variety in coverage of the general domains indicated and their individual quality. Fellows elected in 1971 are cordially invited to submit papers or chair sessions. A statement of their individual preference should be submitted to the Chairman of the Program Committee by February 1.

Dr. Leland D. Brokaw, Chairman 9715 Carolwood Drive San Antonio, Texas 78213

From the Editor

I hope you have read carefully the letter from your President. Among his goals for the year are three Newsletters. As you can imagine, that leaves me with a problem. I can't create Newsletters out of thin air. I need news items from the members, and from the Committee Chairmen.

Would you do this for me? Look around your own organization for newsworthy items that would be worth reporting to other members of Division 19. Then, write up a brief report of the highlights, and send it to me for the next Newsletter.

What I would like are summaries of any special activities such as seminars, symposia, major organizational and personnel changes, and summaries of recent scientific or research accomplishments. If you are planning some program for next Spring or Summer we can advertise it for you in the Newsletter.

Write it up now before you forget! Then send it to me at the

Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

If you want to call me on Autovon, my office number is 255-5401.

Walter F. Grether Newsletter Editor

Third Annual Psychology in the Air Force Symposium

This is scheduled for 18-20 April 1972, at the USAF Academy. The program "will include papers primarily from Air Force affiliated attendees but will include selected papers from other services. Titles and abstracts should be sent to Major Hal Hendrick, Symposium Program Committee Chairman, DFLS, USAF Academy, Colorado 80840, Autovon 259-3027, prior to 31 December 1971." Abstracts are desired in a prescribed format, which can be obtained from Maj Hendrick. There will also be panel discussions on (1) Drug Use and Abuse, (2) Minority Group Relations, and (3) The Effects of the All-Volunteer Force Concept on the Air Force. Anyone interested in participating should contact Maj L. Ralph Chason, at the Academy, Autovon 259-4274.

Congratulations!

Congratulations are in order for three members of Division 19 who recently assumed positions of considerable importance in the field of military psychology.

Dr., formerly Colonel, H. L. (Jack) Parris has been appointed as Chief Scientist at the Air Force Human Resources Laboratory, Brooks AFB, Texas. Jack assumed his new duties on 18 October 1971.

Dr. Earl I. Jones was recently appointed as Technical Director of the Naval Personnel and Training Research Laboratory, San Diego, California.

Dr. J. E. Uhlaner, who continues as Director of the Army Behavior and Systems Research Laboratory (BESRL) but who is also the Senior Scientist of the Manpower Research and Development Center, announces that Dr. Ralph Dusek has been appointed the Director of the new Army Motivation and Training Laboratory. The Army Manpower Research and Development Center is now composed of BESRL and the Motivation and Training Laboratory.