IPI Diversity Committee Minutes

Present: Patrizia Pallaro, Andi Pilecki, Norma Caruso, Chris Thomas, Linda Hopkins

Review of Minutes: Unfortunately, the last meeting’s minutes could not be reviewed due to an ‘administrative error’.

IPI Metro Conference

IPI Metro has decided to invite Dr. Annie Lee Jones to next year’s conference in March 2019. There is a discussion to name the conference in a manner that reflects ‘isms’, culture and psychodynamic diversity. Patrizia will report ideas back to IPI. The local IPI Metro conference has historically represented a different audience that what is present at the IPI National conferences. The committee considered how to incorporate a diversity offering into the larger IPI National conference. Thoughts about how to incorporate the two include a 1 day option component.

Increase Awareness

Increasing awareness of the diversity committee to the larger IPI community. Ideas include creating a 1 page summary statement regarding the aim of the committee. Patrizia will send a draft to the committee to be revised.

Brown Bag Lunch

Committee is considering offering a Q&A option during the October 12-14, 2018 or November 9-11, 2018 conference. Committee may decide to wait until the November conference to provide more notice participants. Outstanding questions remain- How often and when to offer the Q&A. Saturday morning appears to be an option which would capture conference attendees who select to only attend the 1 day option.

The committee would also like to avoid competing with other groups. Coordination with other IPI groups i.e. analytic training group may be helpful.

Expand Diversity among IPI

Patrizia discussed the Diversity Committee during the most recent IPI Faculty retreat. The committee discussed focusing on short term goals to market diversity to committee chairs, which may allow an integration into the curriculum.

LGBTQIA Conference

Considering an in house conference. Patrizia will inquire about the possibility of combining a local IPI Metro conference with an IPI National conference.

Future Meetings

The committee considered Zoom (Android and Apple app) and the traditional conference call format. The group will consider switching to Zoom during future meetings.

Next Meeting Friday, September 21, 2018 at 12:00pm