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Ida Hammer receives the 2014 AGLP Barbara Gittings Award from President Kenn Ashley, M.D., at the Annual Awards Ceremony in New York City. More photos from the event follow on page 10

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Gene Nakajima, M.D., Howard Rubin, M.D., Ellen Haller, M.D., Dan Karasic, M.D., and Amir Ahuja, M.D., have all been instrumental in arranging for an AGLP-LGBT Track at IPS. This year's schedule of symposia, lectures, and workshops appears on page 7. Of particular note is the AGLP-APA John Fryer Award Lecture on Saturday, November 1, at 10:00am, with psychiatrist/activist/film maker Dee Mosbacher, M.D. I hope you make a point of attending.

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It was an exciting APA annual meeting here in the "Big Apple." It was a chance to meet up with old friends, meet new friends and learn from our colleagues. The local arrangement committee did a great job in putting together exhilarating and action-packed events from trainees to our AGLP general members, including our annual party where we gave awards to various organizations and individuals who had worked tirelessly defending LGBT issues.

In addition, we had elections for our new officers of our organization. We also would like to acknowledge our Immediate-past President, Dr. Kenn Ashley, for his

hard work and dedication to our organization for the past four years, and Dr. Jonathan Weiss for his service as Secretary to the organization. We look forward to our new president, Dr. Eric Yarbrough, for his new innovative leadership and his new initiatives, and Dr. Sarah Noble as our new association Secretary.

We would like to hear from you. You can reach us at editors@aglp.org. Until our next edition...

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Kenn Ashley, M.D.

Immediate-past President's Column Kenn Ashley, M.D.

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Time to focus on the trees instead of the forest

Although I thought my last President's column was my final writing as a member of the Executive Committee, I was then asked to write another farewell column, thoughts of the Immediate-past President.

Initially I did not really think that I would have thoughts much different to write about other than what were in my previous columns. However, once I had officially handed over the responsibilities to Eric, things were actually different. Suddenly, I was able to begin focusing on smaller issues in the organization, rather than trying to always see the bigger picture—seeing the trees. I feel the idiom is particularly appropriate because I was just hiking in Yosemite, focusing on individual issues—topics such as education (probably because I was hiking with Gene who tends to organize a host of LGBT related mental health presentations) and membership. It was not that I had any startling epiphany, but it was nice to be able to devote my thinking to a specific area.

There was also that first monthly conference call when I did not have to run the meeting—no need to watch the clock, the agenda, or to try and make sure that everyone on the call was engaged. Thankfully, that was all under the very capable leadership of Eric.

I also realized that as President, I assigned some floating tasks permanently to the Immediate Past President—so my official responsibilities continue, although significantly reduced. Even if I did not have official responsibilities, I would remain engaged in the organization. It has been an important part of my development as the psychiatrist and individual that I am today, providing a host of opportunities to present, to meet a range of people, to find mentors and champions, and to learn and grow.

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Eric Yarbrough, M.D.

President's Column Eric Yarbrough, M.D.

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It's the Friday before Folsom Street East. I can't say it's too respectable compared to the spectacle in San Francisco, but New York is happy to have a small piece of the partaking in public fetish which once was a very regular occurrence in our city (or so I'm told). I'll be staffing a table there, providing HIV testing with sexual and mental health education. It may be difficult to screen for depression next to the whipping pole, but the light thrashing could be just the metronome I need to keep me moving.

I'm lucky to work in an environment that treats the LGBT community. I don't use LGBT lightly either. We focus on each population individually. The L, G, B, and T all have representation in our population. The B and T are two which frequently get overlooked, yet they've been clumped together for years. It would seem to me that, over time, the B and T will get larger and larger, as more people become comfortable with individual expression of sexuality and gender, while the L and G remain constant.

Lesbian and Gay terms tend to fall into a dichotomous thinking regarding sexual orientation. One is either straight or gay, but not both. One is either male or female, but not both. Alfred Kinsey was ahead of the game in this. I would argue that lesbian and gay were necessary terms for a necessary time. When advocating for the civil rights of the community, we need out lesbian and gay identified people with whom the general population can see, recognize, and empathize. Out of the realm of politics and into the crevices of the mind, sexual orientation isn't so cleanly defined. We all have levels of gay and straight depending on our fantasies, romances, and behaviors.

AGLP has served a critical role in the development of the gay and lesbian population in mainstream America. With our early members advocating for the removal of homosex-

uality from the DSM, a new way of thinking regarding the legitimacy and acceptance of "the gays" started and has evolved into what we see today. It's an on-going process, but I hazard to say the scales have finally tipped in our favor.

Gender is the next wave. While many of us in the gay community frequently defy gender stereotypes, the delineation between male and female remains strict. Even in a liberal place like New York City, the general population finds it difficult to accept someone who blurs or crosses gender boundaries. Respecting someone's basic views of themselves is still beyond the majority of society's capacity.

As an organization, we are largely made up of gay men. Our need for woman, bisexual, and transgender identified individuals has remained in our mission. It leads me to the point which continues to be brought up in every board meeting I've been to for the past several years. Our name is outdated, and we could do a better job of inviting in other gender and sexual minorities to our mix. We, ourselves, need to evolve too.

Many of you reading this, if I am lucky enough to have your attention, have given time, money, and energy to this organization. We want you to remain members and leaders within AGLP. We value your participation and would like you to mentor me and other new psychiatrists as we step into our careers. My great concern is that with a name change our members might lose their sense of belonging. It's essential we both change our name and maintain ownership of the organization. My personal feelings about this, and I know it's created a bit of discussion, would be to change our organization to AQP, The Association of Queer Psychiatrists. Queer is a term that has been used to encompass all of the possible varieties of both gender and sexuality.

If you are having a reaction to this suggestion, then my mission is done. I want there to be a discussion and an agreed upon name. The more members we have in the mix giving their opinions, the better we can get a consensus and move forward. Please be outspoken with me and the rest of the board regarding your suggestions.

All that being said, I'm very happy to be taking over as President. Many of you have heard me say that AGLP has been an organization that remains very important to me both professionally and personally. I look forward to the next two years with my primary goal to get as many of you participating in the organization as possible. We need your energy, passion, and direction to make this organization move forward. There is plenty of work left to do.

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Thoughts from APA in New York

Discourse and Change. I think the most exciting aspects of the APA meeting that I took away were the conversations, the challenging moments of disagreement, the willingness to compromise, and the fearlessness to take a leap of faith and try something new or untested. Our organization is storied and historical, and rich in the shared struggle of the LGBT movement. Yet we are not resting on our laurels. Instead we are gathering young members of the new movement, and continuing the struggle for equality for both ourselves and our patients.

At the APA our Women's Dinner was at Westville and was incredibly successful. We had a fantastic combination of old faces and new. The same was true of an after party gathering up in midtown. I know there were a number of other fantastic events that I was unable to attend. Sadly, because of some family health issues, I had to leave NY early so I wasn't able to celebrate at the Awards Reception.

On Sunday, May 4th, Daniel Medeiros, Lital Melnik, Brian Donohue, and I presented a symposium entitled "The B in LGBT." We had a tremendous showing, which indicates the interest this topic generates amongst psychiatrists. Unfortunately, the business meeting was held at the same time so I wasn't able to personally thank you for electing me to the board. I am so grateful for the opportunity to be secretary of the AGLP and I thank everyone for your support. I look forward to seeing many of you in person at IPS in San Francisco or APA in Toronto.

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Dee Mosbacher, M.D., Ph.D.

Dee Mosbacher, M.D., Ph.D., accepts the 2014 AGLP John Fryer Award

Dee Mosbacher, M.D., Ph.D., psychiatrist, filmmaker, and activist for women's and gay rights, will receive the John E. Fryer Award from the American Psychiatric Association (APA). The award, and the lecture by Dr. Mosbacher, will be presented at their annual IPS meetings in October in San Francisco, on Saturday, November 1, from 10:00am to 11:30am. The award is presented by the APA in association with the Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists and given in honor of Dr. John Fryer, a gay psychiatrist who played a crucial role in prompting the American Psychiatric Association to review the scientific data and to remove homosexuality from the APA's diagnostic list of mental disorders in 1973.

Dr. Mosbacher founded Woman Vision, a nonprofit aimed at promoting tolerance and equal treatment of all people, in 1993. Through Woman Vision, Mosbacher has produced nine documentary films dealing with women's and LGBT rights. *Straight from the Heart* (1994), directed and produced by Mosbacher, portrays parents' love and acceptance of their gay children, and

was nominated for an Academy Award. *All God's Children* (1996) deals with gays and lesbians in the black church, and the stigmatization of homosexuality in the African American community. *No Secret Anymore* (2006) chronicles the life and love affair between gay activists Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon, and *Training Rules* (2009) explores the issue of homophobia in college sports.

In 2012, Woman Vision launched a project called The Last Closet, a web-based campaign and video project to end anti-gay bias in men's professional sports.

Dee Mosbacher's 1985 documentary, *Closets are Health Hazards: Gay and Lesbian Physicians Come Out*, was remarkable at the time, as many fewer physicians were able to be open in their lives and work, and the general public did not associate the words "gay" and "physician." She followed this up with the 1991 film *Lesbian Physicians on Practice, Patients, and Power*, largely filmed at a Women in Medicine conference.

Dee Mosbacher lives in San Francisco with her wife of many years, psychiatrist Nanette Gartrell.

Created by AGLP in 2006, The John E. Fryer, M.D. Award honors an individual whose work has contributed to the mental health of sexual minorities. The award was endowed through a generous grant from the Gill Foundation, a bequest from the estate of psychiatrist Frank Rundle, and contributions from many AGLP members. Other past awardees include Barbara Gittings and Franklin Kameny; Past APA President Laurence Hartmann; Psychiatrist and Researcher Richard Pillard; San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsome; LGBT activist Evan Wolfson; Bishop Gene Robinson; and Caitlin Ryan.

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Fryer Award Update

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John E. Fryer, M.D.

“His testimony as a gay psychiatrist was one of the forces that moved APA to declassify homosexuality as a mental illness in 1973.”

AGLP is in the middle of a campaign to replenish the endowment for the Fryer Award. The Fryer Award was originally endowed in 2006, and is an APA Award sponsored by AGLP. Every year the award is given either at the APA Annual or Fall Meeting to an individual who has made substantial contributions to sexual and gender minority mental health.

The award was named for John Fryer, M.D., Philadelphia psychiatrist and founding AGLP member who appeared in disguise as “Dr. Anonymous” in a 1972 APA Presentation. His testimony as a gay psychiatrist was one of the forces that moved APA to declassify homosexuality as a mental illness in 1973. Thus the award stands for visibility, and among its recipients have been pioneers — activists Frank Kameny and Barbara Gittings, first openly gay APA President Lawrence Hartmann, Bishop Gene Robinson, and many others.

The Fryer Award means that AGLP has a prominent lecture slot at APA every year for our chosen speaker. It gives us the opportunity to keep LGBT issues front and center on the APA program, and allows us to introduce the distinguished awardee to a large group of psychiatrists, and to let the awardee know about AGLP.

Our campaign goal was to raise \$35,000 to bring the Fryer endowment back to a healthy level, and ensure its survival well into the future. We are well on our way to that goal, thanks to a \$10,000 matching grant from the American Psychiatric Foundation, and the generous donations of many AGLP members.

In particular I want to thank Jack Drescher, who has pledged \$5,000 to the Fryer Award fund. I hope that his extraordinary gift will be motivation to others.

Could you consider giving \$1,000 or more over the next year? Your gift will help strengthen this award for another generation.

To date, the drive has raised \$20,785 towards our goal of \$35,000! With our fundraising, matching grant, and interest from the existing endowment, we are in a very good position. Things are looking positive enough that the AGLP Board is discussing the possibility of increasing the \$1,000 award stipend to \$2,000 to get it to a more appropriate level for 2014.

I would love to be able to say in my next newsletter article that we have well exceeded our goal. What a powerful message that would be to our membership, and to the APA!

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Friday, October 31, 2014

8:30am – 11:30am

Mistaken Identity: Improving Care for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Patients From Education to Implementation
Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists

Chair: Amir Ahuja, M.D.

1. Teaching About Clinical Issues in Relation to Sexual Orientation in the Era of DSM-5
Robert P. Cabaj, M.D.
2. Biological Embedding of Toxic Stress and Health Disparities in LGBT Individuals
Andres F. Sciolla, M.D.
3. Stimulant Use Among Gay Men Over the Past 40 Years: From Cocaine to Ecstasy, Tina, "Bath Salts," and Smiles
Petros Levounis, M.A., M.D.

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Innovative Program 3 – Accessing Lower Income Patients to Cutting Edge, Evidence Based, Physical and Behavioral Health Treatment

1. CET (Cognitive Enhancement Therapy): An EBP That Improves Social Cognition, Vocational Success and Physical Health
Ray Gonzalez, M.S.W.
2. Managing Psychiatric Illness and Hepatitis C: Community Programs and Interventions to Overcome Substance Use and Psychosocial Barriers
Sanjeev Sockalingam, M.D. and Susan Woolhouse, M.D.
3. Expanding Access to Transgender Surgeries to Low Income Patients: Lessons From Implementation for Mental Health and Primary Care Providers
Dan H. Karasic, M.D. and Julie Graham, M.Sc.

WORKSHOP

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Ask the Expert: HIV Clinical Case Management

Chairs: Lawrence M. McGlynn, M.D. and Karl Goodkin, M.D., Ph.D.

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Care of the Transitioning Transgender Patient: A Multidisciplinary Overview

Presenters: Dan Karasic, M.D., Madeline Deutsch, M.D. and Maurice Garcia, M.D.

Saturday, November 1, 2014

LECTURE

10:00am – 11:30am

From Couch to Camera: The Reflections of an Activist Psychiatrist

AGLP-APA John Fryer Award Lecture

Lecturer: Dee Mosbacher, M.D., Ph.D.

AGLP BUSINESS MEETING

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

San Francisco Marriott Marquis
 Sierra Suite K, Fifth Floor

WORKSHOP

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Wrestling with the Angel: Psychotherapy, Struggle and Faith in Lesbians and Gay Men

Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists

Chair: Howard C. Rubin, M.D.

Presenters: Donal Godfrey, D.Min. and Ellen Haller, M.D.

SYMPOSIUM

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Advances in Addiction Pharmacotherapy

American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry

1. Medications for Opioid Use disorders:

Practical Considerations in Selecting Opioid Agonist and Antagonist Therapies
 John Renner, M.D.

2. Alcohol Pharmacotherapy: What is the First Line Medication?
Steven Batki, M.D.

3. Medications Under Development for Stimulant Use Disorders
Larissa Mooney, M.D.

4. Pharmacotherapy for Nicotine Dependence
Petros Levounis, M.A., M.D.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAM

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Innovative Program 6 – New Horizons for Professional Enrichment: Increasing our Understanding and Appreciation of Diversity in Sexuality and Culture

1. Interprofessional Collaboration and Education in Community Psychiatry
Kelly Gable, Pharm.D. and Mirela D. Marcu, M.D.
2. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Mental Health Training – A New Paradigm for Developing Clinical Experts
Weston S. Fisher, M.D., Ellen Haller, M.D. and Erick Kwan Jo Hung, M.D.
3. Cultural Diversity Day: A Resident Initiative Combining Culture, Education, and Activism
Kathleen M. Patchan, M.D. and Ellen Lee, M.D.

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AGLP Executive Committee meeting

Sunday, May 4 2014 8:30 am-12:30 pm
Sheraton Times Square Conference Room H

In attendance: Roy Harker, Eric Yarbrough, Kenn Ashley, Jack Pula, Chris McIntosh, Serena Volpp, Jack Drescher, Sarah Noble, Mary Barber, Amir Ahuja, David Scasta, Gene Nakajima, Howard Rubin

Item: AGLP/ APA conference New York 2014

Kenn thanked Eric and other members of the local arrangements committee for planning exciting events during this New York meeting. Some members may be unable to attend the joint AGLP business meeting/APA Gay, Lesbian Bisexual Caucus meeting this afternoon because of scheduling conflicts.

Item: Organizational name change

Jack Pula expressed concern that low attendance at the annual business meeting in the afternoon may present an obstacle to conducting a vote amongst the membership to change the name of the organization to broaden the constituencies served without diluting the mission of the organization.

A short list of amended tag lines for AGLP includes: "Psychiatrists for sexual orientation and gender equality"; "Advancing equality for sexual and gender minorities", and "LGBTQ Psychiatry"

Kenn stated an organizational name change may yet be voted down by the membership. Responses from current members have been few following e-mail and newsletter notices. A tagline of "Opening minds about gender identity and sexual orientation" would describe a more inclusive membership organization. Aron Janssen will speak this afternoon at the business meeting on behalf of the transgender committee (Sarah Noble, Jack Pula, Laura Erickson Schroth.)

Plan: Sarah will speak at tomorrow's awards ceremony to address the issue about a change of name from Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists to a more inclusive AGLP (initials only.) Roy recommended announcing a vote on a potential name change at this year's meeting to take place at the APA meeting next spring in Toronto.

Item: Toronto, Canada 2015

A Local arrangements committee will be established in Toronto; Chris's journal responsibilities preclude him from chairing. Eric and Amir suggest a symposium on gay cultures around the world. Mary suggested considering finding a local co-sponsoring organization in Toronto for a late Friday afternoon symposium to save on costs.

Item: Fryer Award development

Individual gifts are being collected, including a generous \$5000 pledge from Jack Drescher. Mary reported that our fundraising goal for this project is \$30,000. AGLP also secured an American Psychiatric Foundation matching grant of \$10,000. However, because of Foundation restrictions, that grant amount cannot be considered part of the restricted funds subject to growth and must remain in a separate operating fund category,

Plan: Kenn will announce at the awards ceremony Fryer Fund development and Jack Drescher's generous donation pledge.

Item: Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health

JGLMH was not approved to be entered into Medline/PubMed in part because not every journal article included a conflict of interest statement. The conflict of interest statement used by the New England Journal of Medicine may serve as an appropriate model. The Medline reviewers also requested more research papers in the journal as well as additional international editorial board members. There will be a two-year wait to reapply for entry onto Medline. The journal remains a benefit of AGLP membership.

Item: IPS San Francisco

Six presentations as part of an LGBT track have been accepted for the San Francisco meeting, including Dee Mosbacher's Fryer award lecture. The board will meet in San Francisco in October. Roy and Mary may also spend some time meeting with potential donors to the Fryer award in the Bay Area.

Item: Membership Development

Executive committee and council members will cover the front desk at tomorrow's reception. Roy has a list of new members assigned to each board member/committee chair. Roy will send the lists out ahead of tomorrow's reception. Some members will be able to sign up online for automatic renewal membership onsite.

Plan: Roy will add userid and password in renewal emails to members. Higher membership levels will be added to new membership forms. Names of lapsed members were distributed to board members for follow-up.

Item: AAOL succession planning

Mary and Jack will screen potential appointees. There will be an announcement made at the reception tomorrow. The AAOL liaison serves 2 years and is eligible for a one-term renewal (of another 2 years.) Funds in the AGLP budget are available to subsidize travel to the APA Assembly fall meeting.

Item: AGLP Board job descriptions.

Eric wants to streamline the reporting requirements of AGLP advisory committees by combining them into four groups. The four council chairs would also serve on the membership committee.

Plan: Discussion will continue during next month's phone conference.

Item: Transgender committee

Jack reported that Laura Erickson Schroth has been named co-chair. There is a talk on Tuesday morning by committee members. Trans psychiatrists will meet for a social gathering Tuesday evening 6 May.

Item: AAOL

David spoke with Saul Levin, who suggested that AGLP advocate for a more diverse staff at APA.

Plan: David will talk about this AGLP advocacy and AAOL succession at the afternoon business meeting.

Item: International

The local gay physicians group in San Francisco may co-sponsor a party with AGLP, a grant application for which will be due this August. AGLP members spoke at a WPA symposium in Vienna in October 2013 and gave talks at the German psychiatric meeting in Berlin. The World Psychiatric Association has elected an openly gay president. The European Psychiatric Association will hold its annual meeting in Vienna, Austria in late March 2015.

Item: Minority outreach

Amir has helped to coordinate an international/minority members' dinner for Tuesday night event at Kitchen restaurant.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Joint Annual AGLP Membership Meeting/APA Caucus of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Psychiatrists Meeting

Sunday 4 May 2014, 2:30-4:00 p.m.
Sheraton Times Square Conference Room I

In attendance: Kenn Ashley, Eric Yarbrough, Serene Volpp, Jonathan Weiss, Roy

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Harker, Aron Janssen, Ubaldo Leli, David Scasta, Julie Schulman, Mary Barber, Marlin Mattson, Dan Hicks, Phil Bialer, Chris McIntosh, Mark Bradley, Alexis Chavez, Bill Herz.

The AGLP business meeting is opened. Kenn welcomed the members in attendance.

Item: Local arrangements committee

Kenn thanked the members of the local arrangements committee for arranging events during the this meeting in New York. AGLP's award reception will take place the evening of Monday, 5 May 2014. Other upcoming events at the conference include a women's dinner, a minority/international members dinner, a transgender members social event, and a resident paper award talk. Other events are posted in the print and online versions of the AGLP guide to NYC.

The AGLP meeting was adjourned, and the GLB caucus meeting opened.

APA members can confirm and/or register their participation in the GLB caucus, an official voice in the APA structure, by modifying their personal information on the APA website (question 3Fa under "Member Profile.").

Dan Hicks is the current president of the caucus. Phil Bialer and Ubaldo Leli are, respectively, caucus representative and deputy representative to the Assembly. Edmond Pi is currently chair of the MUR, from the caucus of Asian-American psychiatrists. The current chair of all the Minority and Underrepresented Groups caucuses will step down at the end of this year's APA meeting; the new chair will come from the women's caucus. He reported that Saul Levin, CEO and CMO of the APA, is interested in working with the MUR groups to reorganize APA's structure. 18 recommendations for reform are currently on the table. At the moment there is limited communications between different MUR groups because of lack of an APA listserv. Minority trustee Gail Robinson, on the APA Board of Trustees, has asked for MUR input for a special MUR column in the APA green journal. Renee Binder, incoming president-elect, will request names of candidates from each of the MUR caucuses to be appointed to APA committees.

APA is in good financial health after publication of DSM-5. Next year the incumbents for all Caucus positions (President and Assembly representatives) will step down. Kenn Ashley and Mary Barber volunteered to serve on an elections committee to select candidates for these positions; a third elections committee member is needed. There is a new policy from the DSM workgroup on transgender issues and gender dysphoria. Kenn will request job descriptions of the three caucus positions from Alison Bondurant at APA.

Discussion in the Assembly today centered on approval of 9 practice guidelines which were not approved as they were thought to be too restrictive to clinical practice.

The caucus meeting was closed, and the AGLP business meeting reopened.

Item: Fryer award fund development

Mary Barber reported that AGLP is in the process of replenishing the Fryer award endowment monies into a restricted fund, with a fundraising goal of \$30,000. AGLP secured an American Psychiatric Foundation matching grant of \$10,000. However, because of Foundation restrictions, that grant amount cannot be considered part of the restricted funds subject to growth and must remain in a separate operating fund category. About \$7,000 towards that \$10,000 matching grant has already been raised. Gifts in installments will be accepted. The award funds support a speaker's honorarium of \$1,000 and travel funds; APA demands at least \$420 per annual distribution to cover administrative costs. Jack Drescher has graciously pledged a gift of \$5,000 to the fund, and gifts from other members are needed, encouraged, and appreciated.

Item: IPS in San Francisco

The Fryer award recipient next October will be Dee Mosbacher. There will be an LGBT track of six lectures, including the Fryer award lecture, during this IPS meeting.

Item: AAOSL succession planning

David Scasta, the incumbent, will step down in 2016 after ten years of service. A successor to David is sought who could be trained by David over the next two years. David reviewed the complicated structure of the APA, a corporation owned by its Board of Trustees. The Assembly, which produces action papers, serves as an advisory legislative body, composed of 7 different geographic areas across the country and different interest groups, including the minority/underrepresented groups such as the GLB caucus. Electronic voting may come soon to the Assembly, which might dilute further the votes of MURs. It is a long process for an action paper to proceed through the Assembly, which meets in November and during the APA annual meeting. David would be happy to have his potential successor shadow him to learn more about Assembly structure. Roy added that there are some AGLP funds to support travel to meetings.

Item: Name change of organization

A committee of AGLP's board has recommended a name change of the organization consisting of only the initials "AGLP" and including an expanded tag line: "opening minds about gender identity and sexual orientation. Recent newsletter articles and emails have reviewed the impetus for the name change, i.e. to be more inclusive. It was noted that there has been a marketing trend of other organizations to revert to initials.

Aron Janssen, representing the transgender committee, made note of the bylaws change in 2005 making AGLP's mission more inclusive and suggested that the absence of transgender representation in the name might send an invisible mixed message. The goal of the name change would be to include a wider spectrum of gender and sexual minorities, including the more invisible bisexual and transgender communities.

Some members voiced the opinion that there may be financial consequences to an alteration in the organizational name, including financial consequences from loss of members. The board is receptive to receiving feedback from members about modifying AGLP's name and recognizes that some members may be particularly attached to the current organizational name.

There will be a vote next spring at the meeting in Toronto.

Item: Elections

Roy reviewed the election slate. Results are as follows:

Amir Ahuja was elected to the position of Vice-President, Sarah Noble was elected to the position of Secretary, and Serena Volpp was re-elected as Treasurer.

Item: Executive director's report

Roy thanked VIP members for their support of our membership-based organization. Roy reminded members to attend the reception tomorrow 5/5/14.

Item: Treasurer's report

Serena reported that AGLP remains in the black, with stable membership numbers over the past year, although membership figures remain significantly decreased from 10 years ago. AGLP maintains an annual operating budget for 2014 of about \$80,000. Julie recommended finding other sources of income. Chris recommended hosting AGLP house parties to recruit new members. Other options suggested included an electronic option for automatic dues renewal and signing new members up at the awards reception tomorrow.

Kenn was thanked for his ten years of service on the board, as vice president and president. Eric was officially welcomed as president after serving the last year as president-elect.

The AGLP meeting was closed.

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