



Scientific and Professional Liaison Council

November, 26 2018

Attendees

Call participants

Amy Janke, PhD – Chair
Melissa Bopp, PhD (Guest)
Bryan Gibson, DTP, PhD (Guest)
Kristin L. Schneider, PhD
Jennifer A. Sumner, PhD
Tracy Trevorow, PhD (Guest)
Sandra Winter, PhD

Angela Burant

Regrets

Martin D. Cheatle, PhD
Jeffrey P. Haibach, PhD, MPH
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD
Natalia Loskutova, MD, PhD
Julie E. Volkman, PhD
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH
Natasha Williams, EdD, MPH, MSW

Staff

Lindsay Bullock

Meeting Minutes

Approved October meeting minutes that are on the Google drive

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K8vdvjtttpw9rNAFq6jtnXKPbSrpq0LKMkhh3Yixmws/edit>

New Members and Guests

Dr. Bopp is getting approved to be added to the Scientific and Professional Liaison Council. Dr. Gibson joined this month's call because he is trying out the new liaison role for AMIA. Dr. Gibson has been an SBM member since 2012. Dr. Trevorow joined this month's call as a guest from the Sleep SIG. Dr. Trevorow is a co-chair of the Sleep and Dr. Williams is the other co-chair of the Sleep SIG. The Sleep SIG works with the Sleep Research Society (SRS) mainly. Some members are part of the Society of Behavioral Sleep Medicine (SBSM). Also, some members are part of the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM). Dr. Trevorow believes the Sleep SIG should keep their current connections because it has been working great.

Liaisons

The Sleep SIG could drill down to specific sleep issues they specialize in. A suggested connection could be with the American Diabetes Association. The Sleep SIG could join with them at their annual meeting, do webinars together, or symposiums with them. The Sleep SIG doesn't have much expertise in diabetes so this could be a good way to get into more diabetes and sleep connections. Discussed if the SRS would be interested in policy work. There was a recent [policy brief](#) on school start time from the Sleep SIG. Diabetes management and sleep could be a possible policy brief. Dr. Trevorow said every spring/early summer the Sleep SIG tries to do a policy brief on something members are interested in. Dr. Gibson suggested maybe a collaboration between the BIT SIG and diabetes. Dr. Trevorow said Dr. Williams might have had some communication with them about sleep and diabetes. SPLC and Dr. Trevorow can help with getting connected to the BIT SIG.

Dr. Trevorow said the Sleep SIG is completely open to having more support from outside connections or other SIGs. Dr. Schneider suggested to partner with the American Diabetes Association or the American Psychological Association. APA has been partnering with ADA in recent years. Dr. Schneider has a



contact at APA that she could reach out to and send the contact information to Dr. Trevorrow. SPLC could also help to get connections together. SPLC has connections with AHA, ACSM, TOS, and others that could help out as well. SPLC can be a place to brainstorm ideas of how to grow the Sleep SIG, or we can help get webinar ideas together as well. SPLC can also help with advertising of certain events by getting the word out to our partners.

Conflicts of Interest

Dr. Janke talked with The Obesity Society and with Dr. Pagoto about if there would be support to move forward in writing joint policy briefs with TOS. There is some concern about conflict of interest since TOS has received money from Coca Cola. Here is an article about Sponsorship of National Health Organizations by Two Major Soda Companies:

[https://www.ajpmonline.org/article/S0749-3797\(16\)30331-2/fulltext?rss=yes#s0015](https://www.ajpmonline.org/article/S0749-3797(16)30331-2/fulltext?rss=yes#s0015). However, Dr. Pagoto and the EC agreed the SPLC should move forward with the discussion of joint work. A discussion of SBM's approach to partner COI will be held at the board meeting at the end of the month.

Discussed if SPLC should do nothing about COI because SBM has no direct financial gain thus makes us protected from COI. SPLC could ask partners to note COI in specific circumstances such as only if the person co-authoring is receiving money directly. Discussed if SPLC should get input and discussion from the Ethics Working Group on COI. SPLC could also write a white paper on COI and scientific organizations. Dr. Janke will be discussing COI and how to handle them at the November Board meeting. Dr. Janke will bring back to the council the feedback she hears at the meeting.

Membership Drive

Nursing professionals and aging societies are areas where SPLC lacks representation. Dr. Janke has a call with GSA at the beginning of December to discuss a possible connection going forward. Discussed if there are other areas where SPLC could extend our reach.

Hypertension article by Dr. Janke with suggestions from the SPLC was accepted in annals. No December SPLC call and the next call will be January 28th.