

Open Membership Meeting, Information Gathering for Section IV

Name of Local Chapter: Michigan Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology

I. Structure:

A. Officers

- President: Barry Dauphin, Ph.D.
- Past-president: Barry Dauphin, Ph.D.
- President-elect: None
- Secretary: None
- Treasurer: Ray Vasser, Ph.D.
- Members-at-Large: N/A
- Student Representative: None
- CE Coordinator: Barry Dauphin, Ph.D.
- Other: Etta Saxe, Ph.D. (Vice President/program chair)
- Other

B. Membership

- Division 39: 8
- Psychologist: 25
- Social Work: 2
- Graduate Student 0
- Others: 2
- Others:

C. Diversity in Membership

- Early Career:
- Candidate:
- Early Academic:
- Ethnic Minority:
- Sexual Minority:

II. Governance Functions (How does your chapter work, that is, how does it address governance, recruitment and retention and diversity issues?)

We have a president, vice president and treasurer, which meets as a board in meetings that are open to the members. Member input is solicited for specific issues. Recruitment has been very difficult. Members have been loyal, but it is a challenge to recruit new members when there are 3 other psychoanalytic organizations within a 30 mile radius. The State of Michigan has implemented Mandatory CE. We are reviewing the process to be a CE provider. We have had discussions with another local psychoanalytic organization about possible joint programming with MSPP providing CE coverage for programs.

III. Publications and Communications. (Do you have a newsletter, print or e-news? Do you have a membership listserv? Are there other ways you communicate with your membership?)

We have a website. We have a member listserv to send out announcements and communicate information relevant to Division 39.

IV. Chapter – Division 39 relationships. (What can be done to encourage Division39 membership, how can that membership be valuable to local chapters? Does your chapter inform its membership of Division 39 programming? How can the Division be more helpful to your local chapter?)

We regularly inform members of Division 39 activities via the listserv and newsletter.

V. Programming

A. Programs (Conferences, seminars, etc.)

1. Conference sponsored by the Academy for the Study of the Psychoanalytic Arts
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
- etc.

B. Education/Training (Courses, etc.)

- 1.
 - 2.
- etc.

C. Other Professional

1. Section | Academy for the Psychoanalytic Arts
 - 2.
- etc.

D. Public Programs

- 1.
 - 2.
- etc.

VI. Programming Functions (How does your chapter make/implement decisions regarding programming, reimbursement for presenters, advertising, venues, etc.?)

Our program chair coordinates programming with input from the executive board.

VII. Key Initiatives or Innovations (What has been a new project or initiative you have taken on and how has it been working? No new initiatives within the past year by MSPP).

VIII. Current Challenges (What are your current challenges and how have you met them in areas such as governance, recruitment/retention, programming, finances, etc.)

The chapter has been struggling. There is little interest by members in serving on the board. Feedback about our meetings and communications had been very positive. We are evaluating the ways the chapter can create educational opportunities in light of mandatory CE in Michigan.

IX. What I Want Other Chapters to Know

X. What I Want to Learn From Other Chapters

Ways to recruit members to the board.

Ways to make the CE approval process manageable, as it would be a way to recruit and retain members.

XI. Recommended Conference (List one [or more] “big ticket” events you had in the last year that you think went well and would recommend to other local chapters. Please briefly describe why you recommend this presenter and/or theme)

X. Recommended Seminar (Describe one or more “small” programs that went particularly well this year by a “local talent” chapter member, especially someone who you would recommend other chapters consider as a “reasonably priced” presenter.)