



International Society for the New Identity Process

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I.S.N.I.P. Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 2/22/86

Time: 11:10 A.M.

Place: Caroline Sperling's Home/Office
Bethesda, Maryland

Present

Janice Frank, MSW, ACSW
James Hughes, Th., MSM
George Rynick, M.Div., Th M
Frances Rynick, BS
William Wolfson, MD
Patricia Kissick, BJ
Ronald Kissick, MSSW, CSW
Caroline Sperling, Ed. D
Jurgen Kremer Ph. D.

Proxies

Gunvor Gustafsson, MA
AsaLoof-Roxstrom, MA

The meeting was called to order by the president, George Rynick. There was a motion to accept the agenda with additions. Jurgen Kremer moved to add two items to the agenda:

1. Issues to adjust quorum for the Board of Directors to 1/10 or to keep the majority requirement.
2. Accepting new members as Fellows and Teaching Fellows.

The secretary, Janice Frank, read minutes of the 12/4/85 Conference call meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer, Tance Rynick, gave the treasurer's report. (enclosed)

Jim Hughes recommended that a proposed budget for the next fiscal year be developed and presented at the next annual meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and passed.

There was a motion to approve \$75.00 (maximum) to each Director to subsidize their travel expenses for Washington meeting. There was a consensus that the Directors would appreciate financial assistance, but it was also agreed that the present I.S.N.I.P. treasury could not justify the expense. The motion was defeated unanimously.

Lori Gordon called in her desire to resign from the Board. The Board voted to accept the resignation. Mary Taylor also sent her letter of resignation, which the Board moved to accept. Letters with the Board's regret will be sent to Lori and Mary by the I.S.N.I.P. president, George Rynick.

ETHICS REPORT

Ron Kissick reported that society Fellow, Richard Fuller, Ph. D., has

been disciplined by the State Board of Minnesota. The Board of I.S.N.I.P. moved to immediately remove Richard Fuller's name from the list of qualified practitioners of N.I.P.. The I.S.N.I.P. will require:

1. Evidence of restoration of his license, plus one year of supervision by a N.I.P. Teaching Fellow. Richard Fuller may remain as an N.I.P. associate member. The Board voted for the above motion.
2. Michael Brown, Ph.D., charged with Sexual Misconduct. When approached by Ron Kissick with regard to the charge, he denied the charges. The sexual misconduct charge was made by the State Bureau of Health Ethics. Michael Brown has left his Michigan residence and left no forwarding address. Ron Kissick moved that the Board send a letter to Michael Brown requesting that he refrain from practicing under the name of N.I.P. until the charges against him by the State Bureau of Health Ethics have been resolved. The motion was seconded by Jurgen Kremer and approved by the Board.

Caroline Sperling filed a complaint against a former patient, Zoe Sharp, who has sent a flier out to the public. The flier describes an N.I.P. Workshop that she plans to present. Zoe Sharp has no affiliation with N.I.P. . There was a motion to send Ms. Sharp a letter of reprimand immediately and to print the letter in the next NIP Newsletter. The motion was moved, seconded and passed.

Bill Wolfson, MD, reported on the issue of "undue familiarity". The use of Bonding in the course of treatment does not constitute "undue familiarity". He suggested that we develop an "informal consent" agreement to share with our clients. Ideally, we might look into the possibility of finding an insurance company to write a supplementary malpractice insurance policy to cover N.I.P. treatment.

Jim Hughes had to leave the meeting early. He offered to revise our present statement of ethics. He will develop a graphic presentation for our offices. The Board agreed to have Jim present his ideas. There was a motion that Jim Hughes become chairman of the Standards Committee. The motion was seconded and passed. Jim accepted the chairmanship.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Dianne Decker reported that we have \$1000 outstanding in I.S.N.I.P. membership dues. Dianne read a list of Teaching Fellows and Fellows who haven't paid dues since 194. Many notices have been sent to remind delinquent members. The Board recommended another letter be sent stating that if membership dues are not paid within four (4) weeks of the dated letter, their names would be dropped from the I.S.N.I.P. membership list and they will no longer be recognized as Fellows and Teaching Fellows.

Ron Kissick nominated Caroline Sperling for Chairman of the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. The vote was taken and Caroline was unanimously elected.

Membership status was requested by Carlos Kriener, Dario Cipiani, and Florene Hughes. Their applications were voted on and accepted.

There was a motion to have Jim Hughes and the Standards Committee restructure the procedure for maintaining credentials. The motion was seconded and passed.

There was a motion to have Marjorie Thiel placed on inactive status (with continued voting rights). The motion passed. Marjorie has experienced physical and financial difficulties. The motion is a show of our support to Marjorie and her interest and dedication to N.I.P.

Frank Doyle and Mary Kent Norton wish to make application for Fellowship in N.I.P.. Ron Kissick moved to accept Mr. Doyle and Ms. Norton as qualified candidates, eligible to take oral and written examinations. We will also need Caroline Sperling's letter of recommendation for Frank Doyle.

George Rynick read a letter from Walther Lechler, MD requesting more certificates for people in Germany who he believes are qualified to become Fellows and Teaching Fellows. Walther Lechler's letter will be reviewed by the Standards Committee.

Jurgen Kremer recommended that Carol Damsky be notified that the Board really has no responsibility with regard to her requesting credentialling as a Teaching Fellow. She needs to find her own sponsor.

THE 1986 CONFERENCE

George read a letter from Martinus Kooyman, MD. The projected fees for the conference in Rome, Italy:

\$191.00 - Conference Fee
\$ 18.00 - (3or 4 in a room)
\$ 45.00 -(single)
\$ 90.00 - (double occupancy)

There was a discussion related to the \$191.00 conference fee. Jurgen stated that we need more information with regard to the conference budget. We discussed approaches to the problem. A special committee was elected by the Board; George, Ron, Janice, Jurgen, and Tance to resolve the dilemma with regard to the extraordinary cost of the conference in Rome. The Board agreed that a reasonable budget for the conference fee is a maximum total of \$80.00 with \$50.00 out of the \$80.00 to go to the I.S.N.I.P. Treasury. George was given the responsibility to reach Martinus by phone to get an accurate conference budget. George will also check with Johan Maertens if the original Rome plans are not feasible, and look into the possibility if having the conference in Belgium. The last alternative would be to cancel the 1986 Conference. All options will be explored and a decision will be made by 3/1/86 in time for the next I.S.N.I.P. newsletter.

RESEARCH

Caroline Sperling reported that she is working on publishing material on the physiological effects of N.I.P.

NEWSLETTER

Pat Kissick had nothing to report.

BY-LAWS

Jurgen Kremer made a motion to maintain the majority vote as a quorum for the Board of Directors rather than the minimum of 1/10 quorum required by the By-Law change. A motion was seconded and passed.

There was a motion to delete proposition- Article 1, section 1, item G. from the By-Laws. The motion passed.

The issue of two new European Directors plus four members at large, needs to be appropriately added to the By-Laws. George agreed to have changes in the By-Laws typed and ready for distribution at the next annual meeting.

Caroline moved to add to I.S.N.I.P. fee schedule M(T) member in training to be a Fellow, \$400.00.

Ron Kissick moved the meeting be adjourned. The move was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Frank, ACSW
Recording Secretary