MINUTES FOR 8/30/91 KAPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The KAPS Executive Committee meeting was held at the Kentucky Inn in Lexington, Ky. at 2:00 on 8/30/91.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Pfohl, Mike and Sharon Kleta, Kelly Scott, Sue Hoagland, Connie Adams, Cookie Cahill-Flower, Bob Kruger, Bob Munroe, Lisa Billings, Paul deMesquita, Cindy Matherly, Lin Cook, Dan Miller, Mike Norris, Patsy Thompson, Michelle Ashton, Libby Jones, Pat McGinty, Skip Cleavinger

SECRETARY: (Skip Cleavinger)

- a motion to approve April 13th Executive Committee Meeting minutes was made, seconded, and passed.

TREASURER: (Bob Munroe)

- distributed 4th quarter financial report. KAPS total assets, as of 6/30/91, were 7,354.48. Bob indicated that the morning workshop was a money maker for KAPS.

- distributed a list of KAPS Executive Secretary expenses from October 1990 to August 1991. The total was $2981.84. The EC agreed that this money was well spent, and that Lin has saved KAPS both time and money.

- indicated that the Ky. Dept. of Education and NASP will no longer be able to provide financial assistance to help with KAPS Conference expenses. KDE and NASP have together contributed around $1200.00. This loss has led to the following proposals:

1) that there be a dues increase from $25 to $40 dollars for regular membership and from $5 to $10 for students;

2) that an Associate Membership status be created. The Associate members would receive reduced conference rates, admission to KAPS workshops, a years subscription to the KAPS review, but would not have voting privileges. The Associate Membership dues would be $20 per year.

Discussion of Proposal 2:

Cookie Cahill-Flower reminded the EC that the creation of an Associate status would require a bylaws change, and, therefore, discussion and a write-in vote with the full membership would be necessary.

Sharon Kleta asked how KAPS would define those who are eligible for the Associate and those who are eligible for Full membership. Bill Pfohl indicated that the Associate membership would be for psychometrists, counselors, and
administrators. It was then stated that the title "Ky. Association for Psychology in the Schools" was chosen deliberately. This is NOT the Ky. Association of School Psychologists. Full membership is available to counselors, administrators, and psychometrists at the present time. Would that be changed?

Bob Kruger suggested that the EC study the proposals further and work harder in recruitment for the time being.

- A motion was made to create a nonvoting Associate membership status providing reduced conference rates, admission to KAPS workshops, and a year's subscription to the KAPS Review. The motion carried 8 to 5. Mike Walters and Bob Munroe will present the motion to the Full Membership at the KAPS Conference business meeting.

Discussion regarding Proposal 1 (i.e. dues increase):

Bob distributed a Budget Justification for the proposed dues increase. This sheet indicated that in Fiscal Year 1991, $3280.00 was received in membership dues. KAPS is just about breaking even this rate Bob stated. In Fiscal Year 1992, an estimated $3000.00 will be spent in additional expenses, that is, these expenses were not necessary during Fiscal Year 1990. These expenses, in part, are due to the lost contribution from KDE and NASP, membership fee to the Southeastern Conference, a 50% increase in EC meetings, a 16% increase in postal rates, and a 20% increase in newsletter costs. Should the dues be increased as per Proposal 1, the increased revenue would total $2820.00, which nearly covers that proposed additional expenses in Fiscal year 1991.

Mike Norris asked if any membership was lost due to the last dues increase. We did not lose anyone according to Bill Pfohl. Bob Munroe stated that we want to do more (Five Year Goals) and we will be operating with less financial support from KDE and NASP. Currently we are operating on a slim margin.

Bill Pfohl said that we shouldn't "nickel and dime" members; we should set an increase we can live with for awhile. We haven't had an increase in 4 years.

Bob Kruger stated that we should communicate the justification for the increase to the full membership.

- A motion was made to increase KAPS membership dues from $25 to $40 for Full members and from $5 to $10 for Student members.
Additional Discussion:

How will justification and news of the increase be communicated to members? Bob Munroe and Bill Pfohl will discuss it at the Conference business meeting, there will be a mailing and it can be discussed at the Regional meetings at the Conference.

Bob Kruger noted that this will be after the fact since dues will be collected at the conference. Something needs to go out immediately. Bill Pfohl promised that something would go out.

- Cookie amended the motion to read that it would be assured that there would always be an "excess" amount of money in the account over and above that required for budgetary operations to serve as an "emergency fund."

- a motion reflecting Cookie's amendment was made, seconded, and put to a vote. The motion carried.

- a motion to raise dues to $40 for full members and $10 for student was made and seconded. The motion carried.

CONVENTION UPDATE (Connie Adams & Sue Hoagland)

- indicated that the brochure was ready and would be in the mail soon.

- stated that every thing was in good shape overall; they were carrying out the last few finalizing tasks.

KASA REPORT (Bob Kruger)

- indicated that he is soliciting KAPS members who are interested in KASA committee work.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Pat McGinty)

- stated that all nominations for the Best Practice Awards have been received, and the documentation has been rated by each of the Regional Reps, with the exception of Debbie Grubb in the Eastern Region who resigned. Pat indicated that she was going to tabulate the results at the end of the EC meeting to get the final results. Every category had at least one nominee except the Northern Region.

- indicated that there are 3 nominees for Kentucky School Psychologist of the Year. Pat recommended that nominations not be closed for another week in order that others could be submitted. Karen Collier and Pat are working on interview questions to be used in the selection process.
- reported that the Pritchard Committee is interested in compiling a resource book on organization with an interest in education. Pat completed the questionnaire sent by them and returned it.

- stated that the Coalition for KERA meets on September 5th. The organizational charter, budget, and selection of a name are the main agenda items.

- reported that the Ky. Mental Health Coalition has agreed to support KAPS in lobbying against any legislation allowing corporal punishment back into the schools. Legislative issues being supported by KMHC include: support programs and funding for the homeless, the seriously mentally ill, and maintenance of a high level of funding and programs for the educationally handicapped. Pat requested that they be sure to recommend that there be "related services," including school psychological services, counseling, social services, etc. attached to that legislation. Pat's request will be considered at the September meeting.

- Lisa Billings said that she hears that there will be a strong push to bring corporal punishment back into the schools. Bill Pfohl asked if KAPS would like to contact Nadine Block from NASP to see if she would consult with our Legislative Committee regarding lobbying efforts.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE (Bruce Wess & Mike Carr)

- Bruce and Mike were absent, but their report was distributed to the EC members.

- The KAPS Review will be published three times this year. Reports will again be requested from KAPS officers, committee chairs, and regional reps. Written reminders will be sent to these persons three weeks before the deadline. Lin Cook will follow up with a phone call. The deadlines will be final; anything submitted after the deadline will not be considered for publication. The fall newsletter will cover the convention, and the winter and spring editions will cover topics which have not been decided upon yet. Input regarding topics for these issues will be welcomed. Articles from other state newsletters will be borrowed when lack of substance or material demands. KAPS members are urged to submit their work.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Bill Pfohl)

- reported that two regional reps resigned, Debbie Grubb and Jennifer Elam. Lisa Billings will replace Jennifer Elam but there have been no suggestions for replacements for Debbie.

- stated that he has been asked to redraw the regions, perhaps adding some in the Eastern part of the state. This will be discussed at the convention.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/ PUBLIC INFORMATION (Michelle Ashton)

- reported that she and Bill had discussed selling articles for revenue and to promote KAPS. Michelle found a firm in Louisville to supply the stock; she would like to order the stuff by the 26th in order that it might arrive by convention time. She showed some of the things to the EC and asked them to decide on what to order. The EC decided to order 144 mugs with the KAPS logo, 4 x 6 notepads with KAPS’ logo, and pens (to be given away at the convention) with the KAPS logo.

The EC then broke up into committees and worked individually. The meeting adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Skip Cleavinger
KAPS Secretary