

**PDA Board of Directors Meeting: via Zoom Conference Call
March 14, 2023 9:00 -11:30 a.m. EST
Minutes**

Color Key: ACTION ITEMS highlighted in Yellow. VOTES highlighted in Turquoise. FUTURE meetings and agenda items

In Attendance: (X=present)

X	Kelly Gfroerer <i>Executive Director (non-voting)</i>	X	Gloria Cleve <i>Co-Chair</i>	X	Nuria Rodriguez Font <i>Co-Chair (Joined at 9:25)</i>
X	Suzie Bohm <i>Treasurer (non-voting officer)</i>		Omneya Askar <i>Director</i>	X	Esmat Lamei <i>Director (until 10:45)</i>
X	Lois Ingber <i>Secretary (non-voting officer)</i>	X	Judy Wu <i>Director</i>	X	Fernanda Lee <i>Director</i>
X	Aisha Pope <i>Director</i>	X	Vanessa Zablah <i>Director (Joined at 9:20)</i>		
X	Brad Ainge <i>Consultant (non- voting)</i>	X	Jane Nelsen <i>Founder (non-voting)</i>		Lynn Lott <i>Founder (non-voting_</i>

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. EST. Compliments and appreciations were shared.

Voting. February Board Minutes. Gloria moved and Aisha seconded to approve the Feb. 14, 2023 minutes. Unanimous approval by those present and eligible to vote.

1. Financials.

- a. **Treasurer Report.** Suzie is working on tax forms.
- b. **Think Tank and Conference.** At this point, there are fewer registrations compared with previous years, especially for Conference. Discussed marketing in the San Diego area. San Diego Mentor Group is starting up again and can promote. An electronic flier will be created for marketing.
- c. **Sponsor and Exhibitor Updates.** Applications are coming in for both.
- d. **Workshop Pricing.** Due to hard economic times in many areas, some Trainers would like to see more equitable pricing structures. The BEI Committee can be asked for input. Seeking grants is one option to explore as well as fundraising. **ACTION ITEM: Send Kelly suggestions from other models and structures.**

2. Events.

- a. **San Diego Think Tank.** Call for contributors and proposals went out.
- b. **Scholarship Fundraiser.** September Round Table On-line Discussions (**Deferred**)
- c. **Adlerian Psychology.** Presentation by Jon Sperry and Kelly Gfroerer and sharing about PD special issue in JIP is anticipated for June (exact date TBD based on publication date of the journal).
- d. **Latin America Online Conference.** Scheduled for November 11, 2023.
- e. **PDA Chinese Language Online Conference.** December 8, 2023. Outside mainland China options to be implemented.

- f. **Spain Affiliate Think Tank Fall, 2024.** Dates TBD. They are looking at spaces in Barcelona and will strive to avoid conflict with ICASSI dates.

3. Committee Updates and Requests.

- a. **BEI.** Aisha shared the two communications sent for BOD review. One is a letter of encouragement to PDA members acknowledging the many world and local challenges currently being experienced along with an invitation for support and connection. The effort was appreciated and will be sent out to members. The second is a welcome letter to those on the committee outlining purpose, objectives, topics and tasks. Points made: some groups may be unseen; use collaborative language; be more understanding of operational reality (timing, etc.); one general statement using Adlerian language with all proposals; add a section to the TT Manual with a BEI focus. Clarified the term 'advisory' as meaning providing input, emphasizing the importance of consensus for collaboration.
- b. **Research.** First meeting March 16 at 11:00 a.m. EST.
- c. **International Advisors.** Gloria reported the group met last week. Will use same format for meetings as before. To be inclusive of everyone, they will use Google translate and post on Padlet. Kelly explained the legal issues re: plegorism. She will be sending out a letter outlining steps, parameters.
- d. **Brazil.** Fernanda reported activities are going well. They are doing a book club with PD A-Z on Telegram. The Committee has been meeting on an as-needed basis, though are encouraged to meet regularly to continually draw out member needs and ideas.
- e. **Lead Trainers.** LT's are now meeting every other month. There will be an LT Retreat following TT. A survey is being used for planning purposes.

4. Affiliates.

- a. **French Affiliate Request.** They requested a summary be sent to Affiliates after each PDA BOD meeting so there is no lag time for minutes to be posted on the PDA website. **ACTION ITEM: Agreement that policy updates will be communicated prior to minutes being posted. Co-chairs will be responsible for the follow through.**
- b. **ADPF 2024 Think Tank Location and Date.** **Deferred.**

5. Catch up and Closing Reflections.

Upcoming Conferences and Think Tanks 2023-2025

- *Think Tank and Conference, San Diego, United States: Summer 2023.*
 - *Conference Friday, July 28; Think Tank starting Friday evening and ending Sunday 30. In person Board meeting following events (Aug. 1-2).*
- *Think Tank and Conference 2024, Atlanta*
- *Think Tank in Spain, 2024*
- *Think Tank and Conference 2025: Dallas*

Board of Directors online Zoom meetings are the 2nd Tuesday from 9:00 – 11:30 EST. Upcoming Board Meeting date: April 11 at 9am EST

Respectfully submitted by
Lois Ingber, Secretary