

Meeting Minutes

2010 February

Membership (Kenneth) –

- Since last meeting, 5 – 10 people showed interests to join the listserv. However, they didn't really follow up to go to the website to fill out the form.
- Send out form to current members to update current information (check with Francis to see how she does it before)
- 15 new members joined the listserv since APA 2009 (May 2009 214 members), current 234 members
- **To do:** Check if add the forum address to the listserv signature
 - o **Update:**
 - To create, edit, or remove the footer for a group:
 - From the list on the left, click **Management**. This link only appears if you're the owner of the group or a moderator with the appropriate privileges.
 - Under "Group Settings", click **Messages**.
 - Click **Edit** next to "Subject Tag and Footer".
 - Edit or remove the text in the "Footer" field.
 - Click **Save Changes**.

Newsletter (Jean)

- Can get articles from the Forum
- IMOC (international mentoring and Orientation Committee) within Division 17 international section. Mentors are volunteers, professors, mentees are international students
 - o Needs more discussions in the next meeting

Mentoring Blog

- Cannot locate the mentoring blog (need to update the link on the website and direct it to the Forum)
- Need to update the information on the website regarding to the mentoring blog
 - o Where the application goes?
 - o Who is the contact?
- Update about the mentoring conversation hour
 - o Die down after a few times

Website

- Web master Chia-Lin Tsai (verona0511@hotmail.com)
- Chun-Chung will email Chia-Lin with the following requests
 - o Add the forum address to the website
 - o Add a folder under "events" to archive old pictures from previous conventions

- Website address: <http://taiwanpsy.net/default.aspx>

Forum (Professional Development: DC)

- Need to officially launch the Forum, before we can really evaluate the utilization rate of the Forum, especially after the previous PD Officer has spent a lot of time and efforts on developing the Forum.
 - o **To do:** Adding the address to the website
 - Chun-Chung will email the request to Chia-Lin. Below is the description that will go with the link (already sent to EC via email)

TPN Mentoring Forum (Title and link)
This forum is a space open to everyone who identify as TPN members and friends. It allows registered members to exchange ideas, post questions, and/or information related to TPN, TPN members, professional issues in psychology, and/or Taiwan on the corresponding boards.
 - o **To do:**
 - Add the forum address to the listserv signature
 - Make the official announcement over the listserv to introduce and market the Forum to improve utilization.
- **To do:**
 - o Need to Clarify the disclaimer
 - o Research if there is a way to create an alias web address that is easier to memorize. Current address is not easy to memorize, which does not promote access (<http://www.phpbber.com/phpbb/index.php?mforum=taiwanpsycholog>)
- Oct & Nov:
 - o internship application information, create opportunities for mock interviews, etc., but no one contacted DC
 - o In March: Articles related to job search
 - o Use Skype/web conference to offer training/workshop
- Create an easier web address for the forum
- Business meeting/membership meeting around APA time
 - o Contact researchers from Taiwan and a couple of researchers in the US and announce the possibilities of research team on the listserv and see if we can form a few research teams, and aim at submitting proposals for the APA next year

To do –

- Collect pictures from conference (on Facebook or a picture archive on the website)
- Maybe create a Facebook page?
- Find out about current budget

- Donations/fundraising
 - Lifetime/annual membership
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- **From:** CHOI,CHUN-CHUNG
Sent: Sun 2/7/2010 10:54 AM
To: verona0511@hotmail.com
Cc: Tsong, Yuying; kuanwu lin; Jean (Yuh-Jin) Tzou; Kenneth Wang; paulwang403; wangdc@umkc.edu
Subject: RE: TPN website update

- Hi Chia-Lin,
- Here is the blurb:
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- TPN Mentoring Forum (this could be the title and make a link to it)
- This forum is a space open to everyone who identify as TPN members and friends. It allows registered members to exchange ideas, post questions, and/or information related to TPN, TPN members, professional issues in psychology, and/or Taiwan on the corresponding boards.
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- I sent a couple group photos of our anual meetings of 2008 & 2009 but if anyone else on this email list has photos please send them her way as well.
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- Thanks again for your hard work!
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- Chun-Chung

From: Kenneth Wang [mailto:kennethwang@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2010 10:36 AM
To: kuanwu lin
Cc: CHOI,CHUN-CHUNG; Jean (Yuh-Jin) Tzou; paulwang403; Tsong, Yuying; wangdc@umkc.edu
Subject: History of Mentoring Blog

Hi all,

I just thought I'd share what I learned about the mentoring blog from Hung.

Kenneth

Hi Kenneth and DC,

I'm sorry that I didn't mention the part of history that I know about TPN mentoring blog to you before. Long long time ago, [Peng-Chih Wang](#), [Claire Chiu](#), [Pierre Lu](#), and Suzie created a yahoo

website for people to share experiences. But back in early days, you have to have a yahoo account in order to log in that mentoring blog. How they used to do is to have members apply for the program first and the mentoring program committee added those requested members in the system. So the blog is confidential in a way that only those who apply can review those articles. But on the other side, very few people accessed that website. At that time, they also worked very hard to invite people to write their stories and to post on the blog. Eventually, the majority of those articles were published in the TPN Aug 2007 newsletter.

<http://taiwanpsy.net/Documents/TPNnewsletter2007.pdf>

So after I took my PD term, I was working on how to make the mentoring blog easier to access for most TPN members. That's why I found another website, the forum style to host the mentoring conversation. <http://www.phpbber.com/phpbb/index.php?mforum=taiwanpsycholog> This way, people don't have to create an additional account in order to review articles, although they do need to have an account in order to post articles. For people who are interested in having individual mentors and mentees, we would still connect them with each other. I also created family mentoring, which means more than 2 people assigned in one family. The purpose behind that is my believe in peer mentoring and international faculty and students at different levels can support each other. So a typical mentoring family may include 1 or 2 international students (one junior and one senior, maybe at intern level) and a faculty member. It's also a good solution if we don't have enough full-time mentors for student mentees.

BTW, I tried very hard to find the old yahoo mentoring blog, but somehow it's too secretive to find it...I even found that yahoo360 stopped its service and froze their old websites...Fortunately, there weren't much information on that website that we need to save, because most of them were already included in the TPN newsletter. And I remembered there weren't any discussion or comments posted the blog then. If there's anything else you want to know more about, I can go back to my email box and find some old meeting minutes to retrieve my memory. :)

To answer Jeanie's question in short, we're no longer running TPN mentoring blog, but we have a forum instead. Is that answer ok?

Hung