



## CES – June 2023 Meeting Minutes

CCPA Counsellor Educator & Supervisors Chapter Executive  
Annual General Meeting  
June 15, 2023 @ 12:30pm PST/3:30pm EST/ 4:30pm AST

### Attendance:

#### Executive Committee Members in attendance:

Gillian Smith (President)  
Kelly Brenton (President Elect)  
Tanya Surette (Secretary/Treasurer)  
Blythe Shepard (Director – Supervisors)  
Rosina Mete (Directors Elect – Counsellor Education)

#### Others in attendance:

Genevieve Barriere (CCPA Partnerships Coordinator)  
Angelica Germanese (Anglophone Ontario Director & Chapter Liaison)  
Marion Orr (member at large)

#### Absent:

Meg Kapili (Student Representative)  
Breanna Lawrence (Past President)  
Michael Sorsdahl (Interim Director – Counsellor Educator)  
(Amora) Jessica Bruhn (Directors Elect—Counsellor Education)

### Meeting Notes:

**Gillian** welcomes the CES executive and members.

**Approval of the Agenda** – Moved by Blythe, Seconded by Rosina.

**CCPA Counsellor Education Programs** –Breanna was not in attendance to speak to this. However, it was noted that CCPA has already done research on all programs offered in Canada (<https://www.ccpa-accp.ca/membership/students/graduate-programs/canadian-graduate-programs/>). Jackie Stevens, CCPA Reception, has been updating contact information for all programs. **Gillian will follow up with Jackie to obtain updated contact information when this is complete.**

**Decolonization of Counsellor Education** – Based on positive response to continue this conversation, the Executive will revisit this planning in September and identify the next possible date. Kelly will moderate next panel. Executive will invite Charity Fleming, Indigenous Director, to be involved in the capacity she is able with the next and subsequent gatherings for the Decolonization initiative.

**Circle of Practice Updates** – Gillian noted the important and valuable work of Blythe in the organizing and continual delivery of the Circles of Practices, which continue to be very well attended, typically between 40-45 members. This Friday's session on Feminism and Supervision will be the twentieth session offered this year. Currently, Blythe is working on a Fall 2023 workshop and has a list of people interested. An aim is to have an international reach. Feedback gathered from the last circle identified a possible misalignment of the circle being viewed as a training session, which is not the intent of the



circle. This invited a reflection to return to the original intent of the circle, as a networking and collegial sharing of knowledge. Topics covered this year were broad and included ethical issues, e-supervision, practicum student supervision, supervisor responsibilities, liability, and others. For next year, each session will have its own sign up and workshops will be separated to optimize attendance opportunities.

**Finances** – Gillian provided the following update on finances for the year:

March 10 2022 Balance forward 13,336.79  
March 11 2022 Gift certificates – Odin Books (250.00) 13,086.79  
March 21 2022 CCPA Deposit (2061.00) 15,147.79  
April 4, 2022 Di Anne Borders fee (375.00)  
April 4, 2022 Certified Cheque fee (9.95) 14,762.84  
June 1 2022. Doctoral Award (500.00) 14,262.84  
September 13 2022. CCPA Deposit (2634.00) 16,896.84  
December 15 2022 Lambers Fisher (1500USD/2121.05CAD)  
December 15 2022. Priority Mail to US (Shoppers) (37.22) 14,738.57  
Balance March 13, 2023 =\$14,738.57

The account remains strong and the Executive will consider in the Fall how they can spend the money in a way that benefits the most members possible. There continues to be challenges with obtaining access to the bank account by the incoming President (Kelly) and Treasurer (Tanya). Gillian will send out a letter to the Bank of Montreal in Wolfville today to try to sort this out. Financials were moved by Kelly and seconded by Blythe.

#### **Executive Committee Member Positions Nominations:**

- 1. Student Representative** – Executive to consider offering two awards given the finances available and consider possibly a master's level award. Executive will need to look at the bylaws to see if master's students are eligible based on the bylaws. **Kelly to put this on the agenda for September.**
- 2. Voting in President – Kelly Brenton** – Moved by Tanya, Seconded by Blythe; vote passed
- 3. Voting in President Elect –Vacant** – **Call out to the chapters to be sent in the Fall to obtain interest.**
- 4. Voting in Director of Supervision – Blythe Shepard** – vote passed for Blythe to maintain this position
- 5. Voting in Director of Educators – Rosina Mete & Amora (Jessica) Bruhn** – moved by Kelly, seconded by Blythe; vote passed
- 6. Voting in Treasurer—Tanya Surette** – Kelly moved, Gillian seconded; vote passed

#### **Open discussion about what is needed and future initiatives from the Chapter –**

- Engaging counsellor educators – Executive to consider a survey of counsellor educators to see how the chapter could better serve their needs
- Student Research Conference – Discussed possibilities of partnering with a campus to host a student conference. **SFU and CCPA exploring this currently and Gillian will report back on updates.** Executive will discuss possibly pairing a one day or half day student research conference with the Annual Conference either in 2024 @ PEI or 2025 @ Calgary.



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**Introduction of Board Liaison – Angelica Germanese** – Angelica introduced herself and enthusiasm to serve as liaison for the chapter and invited members to reach out with ways she can support the chapter. Blythe gave a background on the liaison's role on the chapter, as a conduit between CCPA and the Chapter, and to bring chapter ideas back to the Board.

**Adjourn** – Next meeting set for September 19 @ 3pm PST/ 6pm EST/ 7pm AST

*Tanya Surette*

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Tanya Surette, Secretary & Treasurer