

Main Meeting

10am – Tea and Coffee

10.30am - Welcome and Apologies

Welcome from Chair Professor Almuth McDowall and apologies for absence from members

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting – Received.

Matters Arising

Any matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda - None

AHPD Visitors

Professor Julie Hulme: International competences for Psychology UG

Slides provided – include links to ICUPO information and ICUP pre-print. Also hyperlinks to relevant publications.

Purpose is to identify commonalities between psychology graduates no matter where they study.

Approx 15% UK students go on to professional psychology careers.

Individuals to contact Julie if they wish to feed into the UK perspective represented within the competencies framework.

July – international symposium on Psychology.

Looking for endorsement from AHPD that this is a useful resource.

BPS: Debra Malpass to give us an update on BPS business.

Director of Knowledge & Insight.

Slides provided.

To note –

- Working group reviewing evidence for SSR.
- Growth areas – cyberpsychology and environmental psychology
- New structure to go live on 1st March 2024 -DM will be leading on Education. David Hills - Head of Research.
- New Strategy launched and on BPS website. 4C's Community, Champion, Confidence and Cultivate.

Chair's Report

Report from the Chair

Need to review the constitution – will come to Heads before May meeting for review to allow discussion within the meeting.

Unincorporated association – considered company status but after legal advice decided to remain as is.

Future of Psychology topic ideas – membership to up/down vote to decide.

1. What do you envision a brilliant psychology degree would be in 5 to 10 years? What would be different? (13+/1-)
2. What should psychologists be researching in 5 to 10 yrs? (1+/7-)
3. What is the future practical reality of being HoS Psychology given the multitude of institutional drivers and pressures? (8+/0-)
4. How should psychology change to anticipate/address the challenges of the future? (22+/1-)

Decision made to investigate Option 4 with suggestion to qualify this to 'How should academic psychology departments change to anticipate/address the challenges of the future?

Secretary's/Workshop lead Report

Future workshops outlined.

Treasurer's Report/Auditor's Report

Report from the Treasurer – received.

Agreed that subscription will increase by £100 to £750 for next year (Jan 2025).

AHPD Representatives' Reports

To receive: Reports from AHPD representatives

- Peter Hills: using protected titles for UG courses
- Martin Corley: BPS research board – broad consultation happening around research skills.

Issues of concern to heads

- Charitable income, work load management and the use of overheads – differential practice. Institutional practice generally not to give additional buyout or provide overheads to school for use. Where there is local discretion this may be given. QR charity income of 19% on top for Wellcome and Leverhulme – does this make it into the school?
- Use of AI detector in Turnitin

12.30 Lunch

1.30-3.30 Workshop

1.30pm-3.30pm – Having Difficult Conversations *led by Louisa Hardman*