

Minutes of Human Givens Institute Board Meeting

Date of Meeting: Friday, 25 April 2014 (7.00 pm)

Medium: Skype

Present: Julian Penton (Chairing), Cathriona Edwards, Sue Saunders, Joe Griffin, Ivan

Tyrrell, Julie Lawrence

Apologies: Bart McEnroe, Renee Van der Vloodt, Kevin McDonagh, Gail Rhodes, Ian

Thomson (Human Givens Foundation representative)

1. Matters arising:

Chair of Institute - Declan Lyons has agreed to be chair of the Institute.

Pragmatic tracker – Miles Daffin has volunteered to be the administrator for the Pragmatic Tracker. It was agreed that the argument for championing the PRN to therapists is on the basis of their contribution to the evidence base, not that it improves practitioners' therapy. Julian will ensure the ethics policy reflects this, and the diploma course will highlight it, with a page in the manual. Part III guidance will also need to reflect this.

2. Lay members:

Ivan has spoken to Celia Nicholson who will join the Board. Julie is in process of interviewing the other candidates. Julie to approach Silvana about advertising on Facebook/Twitter.

3. Recruitment of members from peer supervision groups to Board/ECC:

Paper on process for recruitment of Board and ECC members was agreed. Julie and Sue Cheshire to interview candidates.

4. Recruitment to ECC:

ECC now has six professional members. Peer supervision group member and lay members are being recruited. Three members will wish to stand down within 18 months and therefore will be replaced on a phased basis.

5. **HG qualification and designations:**

The revised policy was discussed. A single objection has been received from an experienced therapist, who objected to the designation trainee. The Board agreed that allowing practitioners without part III to describe themselves as HG therapists was not acceptable and would not be acceptable to the PSA accreditation process. Decision: People completing part 2 now can describe themselves as trainees during the 24 months that they are preparing part III; therapists who have historically been practising without part III will be given two years to complete part III.

If people have completed part II but do not complete part III within the two years, they will be required to redo trauma, guided imagery and language skills workshops before being eligible for part III.

The register should be the control document for ensuring that the practitioner has completed part III, is insured, has CPD complies with supervision, data control etc. None who is not on the register should be practising as a HG therapist and anyone misrepresenting themselves will be sent a legal letter.

6. Internal validity of HG Diploma training:

Internal validation has been signed off. This means that HGI is ready to apply to PSA. Sue will discuss HG Dip leading to further qualifications with University of Gloucester.

7. HGI Registration and Professional Standards Committee – Terms of Reference:

Terms of Reference agreed. Board sovereignty now enshrined.

8. Absent board members:

Members who have been absent for two years will be replaced. Joe to speak to Bart.

9. HG conference at Clontarf Castle in 2016:

- 10. **AOB**:
- 11. Date of next meeting: 25 April 2014, 7:00pm

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