EBP SIG Executive Board Meeting  
Section on Research  
February 29, 2012; 4 pm PT/7 pm ET

1. Approved minutes from CSM 2012 with editorial correction (Quorum reached, 7 present)

2. Leadership Update
   a. Officers Elected
      ii. Vice Chair – Lisa Shelby-Silverstein (2012-2014)
      iv. Treasurer – Beth Fisher (2012-2014)
         1. 3-year terms; most senior person is Chair; will elect one person per year. Ultimately we want to have 3 on the nominating committee. Proposal presented to elect a chair. Randy was nominated to chair and will be the chair for 1 year and Hilary will be chair next year.
         2. To start stagger: One 2 year term – Chair both years; One 3 year term – Chair in 2014-2015
   b. Appointed Positions
      i. SOR Liaison – Pam Levangie (2012-2013) Section Leadership Chair to July 2013.
      ii. Communications Chair – Cheryl Hill (2012-2014)
   c. Bylaws
      i. Nominating Committee and Committee Chairs are not in the bylaws as the bylaws provide a minimum of officers required to keep the SIG in compliance.
      ii. Passed 2/9/12 but need to make one change:
          Julie moves to make the changes to the bylaws as written:
          The term of office of each member of the Executive committee shall be two years after an initial three year term for the Chair and Secretary to allow for staggered elections. The terms of the Chair and Secretary shall expire in odd-numbered years; the terms of the Vice Chair and Treasurer shall expire in the even-numbered years. The terms of committee chairs shall be two years.

          Motion seconded and voted on with 7 Yeas, 0Nos. The Research section refers to the executive board more as a team and has a precedence that is already set.

          The bylaws change will now read as follows:
          The term of office of each member of the Executive committee shall be two years after an initial three year term for the Chair and Secretary to allow for staggered elections. The terms of the Chair and Secretary shall expire in odd-numbered years. The terms of committee chairs shall be two years.

   d. Others interested in getting involved:
      i. Tracy Norris – PT, DPT, GCS at Barnes Jewish Hospital in Saint Louis Missouri.
Suggestion to have Tracy join the nominating committee. Discussion commenced on this idea.

ii. Jeff Hebert – PT, PhD, Assistant Professor at University of Colorado.

iii. Jeff Houck—PT, PhD, expressed interest in joining the SIG.

Discussion regarding keeping track of those that are interested in the SIG commenced with a suggestion that those that are interested should probably go into a database. Discussion also involved keeping track of who is a member of the EBP SIG and should we include all research section members. Everyone that is a research section member should be a member of the SIG. Neurology section example was given. Suggestion was made to keep a list of EBP SIG separate from the research section membership list. Membership or secretary might keep track of this. Spreading it to the research section idea resonated through the group. Pam—the SIG membership that we have so far is undefined as of now. Consider including the research section as a member of the EBP SIG with the idea of not trying to bombard the section with emails. It depends on how many emails we would send out in a year from the EBP SIG. Suggestion was made to have the Communications chair set up a twitter account and when the website gets updated, then they select to get that information through the SIG. Getting involved through Twitter and those that want frequent updates can then decide to receive updates through Twitter.

3. CSM Programming
   a. Due Date 4/1/12
   b. Contact: Carol Tucker, SOR Programming Chair. Excited about programming regarding the SIG. David Valvede(?)spelling generated programming for EBP in the past for the research section.
   c. Historical EBP content by SOR. Hooked on Evidence and search techniques were presented in the past. We will communicate with David in the future. APTA has wanted to do the programming and the research section is willing to do so.
   d. Limited room space at CSM 2013. CSM 2013 is in Nashville and we will be limited to 1-2 programs due to space concerns at Nashville. In the last meeting at CSM, we discussed the vice chair organizing our CSM programming options. The title for CSM 2013 is due by April 3rd. We need to provide suggestions of one or two programs to do at CSM. Ideas for CSM programming presented: 1. Developing guidelines and how to appraise the guidelines was suggested. One problem with this is that there might be less people that attend this program. 2. Current EBP journal club: advancing the journal club to more of an updated journal club that improves the club. Suggestion of programming to Modern day research dissemination as opposed to the journal club. Cheryl—two audiences are likely to attend this program: clinicians that are interested in using EBP and those that teach it. Programming should reach out to both groups for CSM. The more we can make it real the better and we could move towards aspects that were presented at the EBP institute. Sponsor of a compendium of patient cases that might help educators in classes.
Suggestion to make it something that members find useful, for example, there are systematic reviews that look at what makes journal club more effective. Members will appreciate that we are using evidence to discover what makes journal clubs more effective. Example given at CSM regarding the master and mentor: popular section of demonstration of a surgery. More clinicians want to use EBP so if we can try to incorporate ideas like this into the programming. May not want to critique guidelines and often it is difficult to get academicians to agree on guidelines. Journal club is not intimidating and clinicians would be interested in coming to this program. Existing articles could be distributed and discussed. Different levels or aspects of that as opposed to clinical trials. Such as a basic motor control article. Basic research application might be better received by clinicians. This would fit with the international EBP group also.

Task force will work on this and will consist of: Lisa, Julie, Randy, Cheryl, Hilary, and Tracy. Suggestion given that it would be ideal to set up a model that can be implemented in the clinic or in the academic setting to engage people and to let them know how using EBP works and provide them with something they can immediately use as they walk away from our program. Choice to do 2 article reviews vs. 1 article review. Discussion of how many hours we have for this program. 2 or 4 hours was presented.

4. SOR Research Website
   a. How can we contribute to these spaces?
      i. Homepage: http://www.ptresearch.org
      ii. Resources page: http://www.ptresearch.org/article/9/resources
         1. Check out ‘for researchers’ ‘for clinicians’ and ‘for students’ tab. There are three links: Online databases, APTA resources, and employment. The online database tab is very busy. We may want to assess and develop these resources to improve them. Cheryl as communications chair might lead this but all of us should help with this. Comment that there seems to be a lot of redundancy and that seems overwhelming. Perhaps we make it more user-friendly and provide a clear path to get there. Research section has struggled with the webpage. The section is very interested in making it more user-friendly and the research section has a new communications committee that is tasked with improving this. The new communications committee will start on July 1st to initiate this. We may want to have someone from our group join the research section communications. Cheryl agreed to assist the new communications committee and whatever we can do to make evidence transfer from research to clinicians. Cheryl will lead our work on this area. We will reserve time to talk on this issue during the next scheduled meeting.

5. PT Now
a. How do we want to integrate our efforts with APTA’s efforts? Please take a look at PT Now and provide feedback to Judy Deutsch via email at deutsch@umdnj.edu. We may decide to develop information for PT Now in the future. We may invite Judy to join in one of our calls to ask and answer our questions regarding PT Now.

b. [http://www.ptnow.org](http://www.ptnow.org) (log in like you are logging onto the APTA website)

6. Next meeting: Discussion commenced regarding scheduling of meeting every other month and this was accepted by all. The plan is to circulate a CSM programming concept via email prior to the next meeting. We will use Doodle to determine the next meeting time and date. An email from Julie will follow after determining an appropriate time and date for the next meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM PT