President-Elect

General Purpose

To provide leadership and direction to the Executive Committee and Society membership as a whole; to facilitate and support the ongoing work of SCRA-affiliated committees and groups; to work with other Society leaders, administrative team, and with those in leadership roles in other organizations to:
a) assess Society needs;
b) identify opportunities for the Society to strengthen itself, to contribute effectively to organized psychology, and to evaluate and improve social conditions more generally; and
c) develop, propose, gain agreement on, implement and evaluate Society activities to address these needs and opportunities.
Election Procedure and Term of Office
Each year a President is elected through a Society-wide ballot distributed by APA. The person elected serves a three-year term with the first year as President-Elect, the second year as President and the third year as Past-President.

Tasks and Responsibilities

Works with President and Past-President to address current Society issues and to help implement necessary changes; Presidential Stream calls typically include the Executive Director and occur prior to the EC conference call.
In the absence of the President, performs all duties of that office.
Attends all Society Executive Committee and General Business Meetings as a voting member.
Participates in Presidential Stream calls each month and additional calls as needed.
Learns about working with APA and SCRA structures, current activities, and operational challenges in preparation for the presidential year.
Advises student representatives.
Attends APA Division Leadership Conference and sends relevant information from the conference to other Executive Committee members as appropriate. Strengthens relationships with other APA divisions consistent with SCRA's mission and vision.
Participates in the Finance Committee which is chaired by the Treasurer and will consist of the President, Past President, and President-Elect, and two non-executive SCRA members. The Finance Committee shall be responsible for coordination of the development of the annual budget and oversight of the management of the budget to ensure that expenditures are aligned with the mission, goals, strategic goals and resources, and requests for support by SCRA governance and membership.
Serves on the Publications and Electronic Communications Committee (for those elected in odd years).
Chairs the Award Committees for Distinguished Contributions to Theory and Research in Community Psychology and Distinguished Contributions to Practice of Community Psychology.
Chairs the Chairs the Award Committee for the Seymour Sarason Award if elected in odd-numbered years (see Awards Section of P&P for details)

Those elected during even years serve as the Co-Chair of the Biennial Planning Committee for the conference that will be held three years later. This means that the even-year President-Elect will be the Past-President when the biennial occurs, and will have been involved in the planning process for all three years of her or his term on the EC. Those elected during odd years serve as the liaison to the International Conference Planning Committee for the conference that will be held three years later. This means that the President-Elect will be the Past-President when the international conference occurs, and may have been involved in the planning process for all three years of her or his term on the EC.

The odd-year President-Elect needs to announce the search for a new Biennial site (3.5 years in advance) in the fall TCP, requesting that proposals be received by December 1st. Once the even-year President-Elect begins their term, they will be the liaison for the new Biennial. Proposals also need to be encouraged by the President-Elect talking to people who have previously submitted, or to others who have informally expressed interest. Proposals to host the Biennial should include attention to diversity issues.

The President-Elect receives all proposals and mails them with an evaluation form to planning committee members.

The President-Elect notifies the chosen site of the Executive Committee's selection and appoints the site chair.

Shall be briefed on all awards by committee chairs.

Chooses an invited speaker or gives an address for the SCRA Program at the annual APA convention;

Co-Chairs (with President and SCRA Secretary) open meetings with all Committee and Interest Group Chairs, Regional Coordinators and other interested members at the APA Convention and Biennial meeting.

Co-Chairs (with the Regional Network Coordinator) a breakfast or lunch for the Regional Coordinators at the Biennial;

Takes office as President at the APA SCRA Business Meeting and presents a plaque to the outgoing President.