

# IAPCT Executive Board

## Quarterly Report, November 2017

This report is structured in accord with the stated [goals for IAPCT](#).

**To help support these goals, become a member.** Dues are only \$60 per year.

Please contact Allie at [controlsystemsgroupconference@gmail.com](mailto:controlsystemsgroupconference@gmail.com) to join.

Membership gives you a voice in the direction of the IAPCT.

### **1. PCT Internet Platform, Coordination of Media**

- **Web Designer needed** - The IAPCT has voted to reorganize the IAPCT website. Are you interested? Send email to [board@iapct.org](mailto:board@iapct.org).
- Newview is letting the domain name [newviewonpct.com](http://newviewonpct.com) lapse. The demo and other content will migrate to the IAPCT.org site.

### **2. Coordination by PCT Publishers**

Dag published a welcome summary of nuts-and-bolts issues for authors and publishers. This will be posted at [iapct.org](http://iapct.org).

### **3. Archives**

The William T Powers Collection in the Northwestern University archives are now available for public viewing. The list of archived materials is at

<https://findingaids.library.northwestern.edu/repositories/6/resources/1279>

You can request photocopies by writing to [special.collections@northwestern.edu](mailto:special.collections@northwestern.edu), or you can visit the archive to do research. Archivist Kevin Leonard is gratified at our immediate active interest in accessing these materials, an unusual experience for an archivist. Our continued requests may encourage them to put images of at least the more frequently requested items on line. (Many people suggesting that to him wouldn't hurt either.)

### **4. Instruction**

Rick Marken is planning a textbook on PCT research methodologies. This is especially important for fields where controlled laboratory conditions are difficult or unfeasible.

### **5. Marketing / Exposure / Outreach**

- Social Media
  - Currently, 13 PCT researchers are collaborators in the [the Perceptual Control Theory project](#) at <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Perceptual-Control-Theory-PCT> and have uploaded 35 papers and other research items to the project. Currently, the project has 14 followers and documents in the project have been read 177 times.
  - The archive has a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/WTPowersArchives/>.

- IAPCT Conferences
  - **The 2018 IAPCT Conference** is scheduled for Friday and Saturday October 11 - 12, 2018 at Northwestern University - more information will follow as details become available. Thursday, October 10th will be a research day in the archives.
  - **Call for Papers** - A call for papers to present at the conference will be sent out soon! Please look for the official announcement from Rick Marken in the next few days.
  - **The 2019 IAPCT Conference** will be in Manchester, England. Plan ahead!

## 6. Structure and Process of IAPCT

- **International Association.** We seek to add at least one board member outside the U.S. Send email about nominations and volunteers to [board@iapct.org](mailto:board@iapct.org).
- **Board meetings.** The Executive Board meets monthly by Skype. If you are a member of the IAPCT and wish to sit in on a meeting, let us know. We issue quarterly reports like this one to update the members of IAPCT and others.
- **Peer Review Committee** - Richard Pfau is forming a panel of peer reviewers. Do you have a paper you would like reviewed? Would you like to be a reviewer? Please contact Richard at [richardhpfau@gmail.com](mailto:richardhpfau@gmail.com)

## 7. Support for PCT Research

IAPCT has a fund established to support PCT research. IAPCT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Tax-deductible donations can be sent to the Treasurer, Rick Marken, 10459 Holman Ave., LA, CA 90024 USA.

## 8. A Scientific Revolution in Many Fields

- We ask you to consider the state of your field and identify anomalies and dissatisfactions. These are points at which a PCT resolution of perceived difficulties may more easily get a hearing.