

**Association for Clinical Pastoral Education (Eastern Region)
Executive Committee Meeting
HealthCare Chaplaincy, Inc., New York City
Friday, January 14, 2000**

Present : Al Lumpkin (by conference call), Cornel Rempel, Harlan Ratmeyer, Paula Teague, Jack Gleason, John Pumphrey, Paul Steinke and Robin Franklin.

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. with a time for catching up and sharing concerns of regional members.

AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

MINUTES

M/S/C to accept the minutes from the meeting of July 23, 1999 as presented.

UPDATES

1. Regional Conference-Pawling

The Regional Conference for 2,000 will be held in Pawling. Paula asked the committee whether the region would want to do the conference for 2,001 at Tuscarora. While no decision was made regarding location, committee members thought it was a good idea to alternate locations.

2. Distinguished Service Award

Paula announced that Joan Hemenway would be the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award. It will be awarded in May at the National meeting.

3. Travel for Ann Devine as Clinical Member Rep

Ann Devine wondered if her travel expenses could be covered when she attends meetings as the Clinical Member Representative for the Eastern Region. There is \$500 designated towards Clinical Member initiatives.

M/S/C to designate \$250 towards expenses for Ann Devine to go to the National meeting.

4. Birthday Party

Bob Anderson is in charge of the skit for the National meeting. There will also be a band that includes Al Lumpkin, Cornel Rempel and Jack Gleason.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. REM Scholarship

He reported that the Ken Burnette already had a list of names for people wanting to go to REM. One person called Jack and expressed his/her inability to go to REM because money is not offered in advance. Jack agreed to talk to this person and any other student with the same problem, to see if something could be worked out.

2. Mediation Panel

Ken Burnette, Serge Castigliano, Ray Cooley, Emily Jean Gilbert and Will Sieburg agreed to serve one more year as ACPE C and A panelists.

3. Web Site

The region is still looking for someone who would help put together and maintain a web site. The question was raised whether this person could be someone who is not in the region. Jack will be approaching John Tier for some advice regarding a web page.

M/S/C to authorize Jack to spend up to \$500 to get the web page going

4. Jack also reported on several issues and persons in the region. He visited with Bill Wycoff and John Carr in relation to their health issues. Celsa expressed her concern about remaining the Nomination Chair since she is no longer living in the Eastern Region. The hosting of the National meeting by the East and Northeast Regions has been delayed. Jack stressed the importance of supervisors making sure that all brochures and any other printed information note that a center is an accredited ACPE center.

5. He raised the following issues regarding finances. He noted that student units are down for 1999 and that the region may be headed for a mild recession. He spent a total of \$2,230.12 in order to get the office for regional business up and running.

6. The next regional annual conference will be October 17-19 at Tuscarora.

STRATEGIC PLANNING REPORT

The committee is moving forward with some of the following issues. The committee is working to increase contacts with various seminaries. They are working to reach out to other regions for strategic planning issues. Money was approved for Joan Hemenway's program. They will be having a conference call on February 7 at 1 p.m.

FALL CONFERENCE

Robin Franklin made a report on the committee's work and noted that it has been slow because of difficulty in coordinating schedules. She talked about ideas that the committee had discussed and a speaker (Frances McWilliams) that had been suggested. Other suggestions came from the members of the Executive Committee. They included advance p.r., finding out why some people have not been attending the meeting, having presentations that are related to supervising, using plenary speakers who are interactive and in our field and small groups where people can talk about what people are doing in their centers. Maxine Glaz and Joan Hemenway were suggested as possible speakers. It would also be helpful to have a workshop on the new accreditation and certification standards. It would also be important to be inclusive of clinical members and students.

BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

Cornel reported on the following issues. The recommendation that the RANC representative be removed from the Executive Committee was accepted into the

governance. Teresa Snorton was chosen as the new executive director of ACPE. National headquarters overspent income by \$68,000 and it was proposed that each supervisor get assessed a surcharge. National has to cut the expense accounts of each commission. A growing number of supervisors and centers have not paid their dues. Strategic Planning will come up with an action plan during its meeting from March 31 – April 1.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. John Pumphrey gave the report for the Budget and Finance Committee. He noted that the audit process is underway but there has been a delay because some vouchers and checks got lost in the mail. The Region's balance as of 1/3/00 is Fleet Checking, \$7,818.85, Commerce Checking, \$10,000 and Commerce Savings \$35,021.45. Some discussion was raised whether our governance allows the Strategic Planning Committee's ability to authorize spending. This discussion was tabled until the Strategic Planning/Finance Committee meeting at 12:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENT TO THE ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

1. Four names were recommended for the Accreditation Committee. The names were Bob Spillman, Mychal Springer, John Pumphrey and Cindy Strickler. Paula will ask Bob Spillman first, Cindy Strickler next and move from there if both say no.

NOMINATION OF ANTON BOISEN AWARD

1. Robin gave a report regarding the nominations she received for the Anton Boisen Award. Joan Hemenway was nominated from this region. Duane Parker and Homer Jernigan were nominated from the Northeast Region. Since Joan had already been chosen as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award the committee voted for Homer Jernigan. Robin will forward his name to Vickie Cowell and inform Carl Towley in the Northeast Region.

M/S/C to put forth Homer Jernigan's name as the Anton Boisen awardee.

The Eastern Region wanted to continue to work in a collaborative effort with the Northeast Region. When this was not consistent with our thinking, we chose a person from the Eastern Region through e-mail and phone consultation after the meeting. That person was Randy Jones.

COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Paula raised some concern about Celsa's lack of participation in committee meetings, the fact that she is no longer lives in the Eastern Region and her lack of readiness as Nomination Committee chair during the Annual Meeting. At this point she will not be asked to resign from the committee but Paula will continue to remain in touch with Celsa, as her job situation becomes clearer.
2. Some discussion ensued whether having the Nominating Committee chair and the RANC representative on the Executive Committee was a conflict of interest. It was decided that Cornel would make a proposal for the by-laws that would remove the RANC representative from the Executive Committee.

PEER REVIEW PROPOSAL

1. Paul presented a peer review proposal which he had shared with other members of the Certification Committee by e-mail. A lengthy discussion took place in which committee members made recommendations and raised concerns. Some of the recommendations included changing 100.56 to endorsing body, change 100.11 to the supervisor has a choice, a sentence which states that the review is intended to be relational and that the chair of the peer review should not be the "C" Committee Chair. Paul will take the recommendations discussed in this meeting, make revisions and bring back the proposal for the Administrative Board meeting on March 31. The committee commended Paul for his work on the proposal.

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

1. Paul reported that a position became open on the Certification Committee because Harlan Ratmeyer accepted another position. Bob Morgan's name was offered as a "C" Committee member.

M/S/C that Bob Morgan replace Harlan.

2. More people are being seen for readiness consultations. Paul noted that it is the prerogative of the supervisor whether to involve the "C" Committee in a readiness consult.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Robin Franklin
Secretary