

The Association for Clinical Pastoral Education
Northeast Region
Executive Board Meeting
May 10, 2001

Present: Mary Martha Thiel, Claudia Blanchette, Carl Towley, Mary Beth Hayes, Don Bloom

Initially, persons checked in as to how things were going for them. Don then opened the meeting with a reading from the Book of Wisdom. Board members recognized and celebrated Claudia's successful claim for certification as supervisor.

The group reviewed, to the best of their ability, the discussion that had taken place prior to the Board's decision to suspend the Seminary & Faith Groups Committee. The initial discussion was part of the Executive Board's business meeting at the fall joint Region Executive Board meeting in Pawling, NY. In addition, we tried to recall the order of the discussion at the mid winter meeting held at Mercy Lodge.

A discussion followed exploring ways that we saw ourselves working with Seminary/Faith Group Committee. It was realized that a more effective way of moving forward would be to work along side the committee rather than bring what we thought would work to the committee.

Brainstorm ideas: one on one institutional relationship with seminaries.
Assign one person (supervisor) to work/relate to a seminary
Have a four member committee (supervisors) interact with the seminaries.

Group named persons who appeared to be good fit with seminaries in order for us to build alliances with seminaries and faith groups to increase dialogue, to have an integration of curriculum and have an increase in the number of students for CPE.

Names and seminary suggested: Charlie Kessler –BU, MM-Andover
Newton, EDS-Ed Babinski, John Pearson-Gordon Conwell, Cathy Gallivan-Weston, Bob Morse-Bangor

Group proposed two meeting times with the Seminary/Faith Group Committee: Sept 21st 12-3:00 or October 8th, 12-3:00. Place would be Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH. MM offered to pay for the lunch that would be provided.

Other items discussed:

1. A need was recognized for a person who would coordinate the joint newsletter with Denise Haines.
2. A proposal was made that the nominating have their slate completed by Sept.
3. Center fees: question asked is it for centers or systems?
It was decided that it is one fee per accredited center

Treasurer's Report given by Carl Towley

End of May balance: \$1,524.37

Expenses the end of April: 842.05

Scudder account: \$20,245.25

Meeting adjourned.

Notes respectfully submitted by Sharon A. Frank

June 7, 2001