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Brenda Wallace

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Lemons

Standards: Helen Waugh

Looking ahead-----

REM 2007...Radisson Hotel Indianapolis Airport
February 1-3

Deadlines for meeting Certification in Spring '07

Declare to meet.....January 23
Fee paid to Treasurer.....February 3
Materials due to Committee.....February 17

Southeast Region Annual Meeting.....March 20-24

Buccaneer Beach Resort
85 S. Beachview Drive
Jekyll Island, GA 31527
Lodging reservation deadline.....February 6
Phone: 877/842-3224

Peer Reviews at Spring Meeting

Contact Olen Grubbs
olen.grubbs@erlanger.org or
423/778-4165

Fall Meeting of Committees.....Sept. 30-Oct.2

In this newsletter, you'll find-----

....a Nominating Ballot for the RAN Committee,

....a Progress Report on our "New Visions Process" that sets the agenda for the regional meeting at Jekyll. Once again we will be led in the "Appreciative Inquiry" planning process by Lea Robinson, focusing on "the kind of leadership needed to support our vision,"

....a Registration form for the Annual Meeting,

....and the recommended changes to the SERACPE Governance Manual to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting.

Progress Report: SERACPE New Visions Process

At the recommendation of the Long Range Development Committee at the Spring 2004 regional meeting, the SERACPE adopted a planning process based upon Appreciative Inquiry and named “New Visions”. The need for a long range planning process **arose out of an awareness** of significant changes in supervisor demographics in the region (namely, a lot of retirements), the need for transitioning to a new generation of leadership, encouraging stronger participation in regional meetings by supervisors, the prospects for developing new centers, and the opportunity to evaluate and make recommendations regarding the regional director position.

In 2005, utilizing the Appreciative Inquiry process led by Lea Robinson, the region considered and re-affirmed **our mission and the important values of our life and work together** as clinical pastoral educators. In 2006, we considered **our organizational life** (decision-making, governance, structures, and our regional meetings). In 2007, we will focus on **our leadership** – the structure and patterns of leadership by the members, and how the regional director position can, together with our elected leadership, advance our mission.

Already, **changes have been incorporated** into our life and work as a region. **Four work groups** emerged: 1) governance, 2) supervision as ministry/continuing education in supervision, 3) intergenerational stories and legends task group, and 4) curriculum for social reconstruction. Members have taken responsibility for creative imagining and recommendations in these areas.

A mission and development task force was established and funded to receive proposals for special projects that will further our mission.

We have sought to make our regional meetings more participatory, collaborative in spirit, dynamic and flexible. Opportunities for the emergence of new initiatives have been encouraged. There is fresh energy for focusing on continuing education and collaboration on the actual practice of supervision, linking and collaborating around interests we share, and telling and valuing the stories that are the soul of our history and our life together.

Changes in governance have been recommended, and will be sent out in advance of the spring, 2007 meeting, at which time these changes will be voted upon.

At the **upcoming spring meeting** the four work groups will have time to do their work and report to the whole body. Jap Keith will review the history of leadership in the Southeast Region. We will use the Appreciative Inquiry process to look closely at our leadership needs and hopes: The Discovery phase asks the questions, what is working well with our leadership? What is the best of our leadership? Dreaming asks us to imagine outstanding leadership qualities and the important functions that describe our preferred future. The Design phase challenges us to identify action steps to make the vision come to reality. And the Destiny phase calls us to describe how we will sustain the vision of the kind of leadership we hope to have. At the spring meeting there will be opportunities to link up and collaborate with each other around shared interests, tell stories and hear from a professional storyteller, Ed Kilbourne, whose ministry *is* stories.

We can see that the work we did as a body in 2004 and 2005 is already being incorporated into our regional way of making decisions, supporting one another, and advancing our mission of clinical pastoral education. The spring meeting will be crucial to answering the question: **What kind of leadership do we need to support our vision?** Our work in small groups and as a body will guide us in the implementation of governance changes, and recommendations for the regional director function in 2008.

The New Visions leadership and the annual conference planners invite you to **“show up, be present, listen, and speak your truth”** at Jekyll Island, March 20-24!
-Gene Locke

REGISTRATION

for

2007 SERACPE Education Conference/Annual Meeting

March 20-24, 2007

Buccaneer Beach Resort

85 South Beachview Drive

Jekyll Island, GA 31527

Conferees are to make their own lodging reservations. Deadline is February 6, 2007.

Telephone: 877-842-3224; Fax: 912-635-4703 www.buccaneerbeachresort.com

Please complete and return this form by February 20, 2007 to:

Jap Keith, Director SERACPE, 503 Birch River Drive, Dahlonaga, GA 30533

Cell: 404-272-2515 ... e-mail: JNKJR@aol.com

I will be arriving on March ___(date) at _____(time); and I will be lodging at the Buccaneer. Or, during the conference, I will be lodging at _____ and can be reached at _____(phone number).

I will be participating in peer reviews on Wednesday afternoon, March 21 (____) and/or on Saturday morning, March 24 (____). I do want (____) to be scheduled for my own peer review on Wednesday (____) or Saturday (____).

Register me for the following events:

Continuing Education Program: Supervisor Fee, \$80	\$ _____
Clinical Member Fee, \$50	\$ _____
Active Retired, \$40	\$ _____
Inactive Retired, \$25	\$ _____
SIT Fee, \$25	\$ _____
Non-member, \$25	\$ _____
Student Fee, \$20	\$ _____
Banquet, Thursday Evening, \$35 for each person	\$ _____
Dinner, Friday Evening, \$30 for each person	\$ _____

Total Cost (send check to Jap Keith by February 20th) \$ _____

Name: _____ CPE Center: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Person to notify in case of emergency: _____

Sources of contact: _____

Meals, lodging and travel expenses for working members of committees will be reimbursed through lunch on Wednesday. Expense forms will be provided at Jekyll.

PROPOSED CHANGED TO THE GOVERNANCE MANUAL

(Presented to Regional Business Meeting, 31 March 06)

[Action will be taken upon these proposals on March 23, 2007 at the meeting on Jekyll.]

[The Governance Manual can be printed from the SERACPE website.]

1. In Article 4. Sec 4.2, Actions: g)

Strike “and council” **and insert** “administrative board and task forces” so that the phrase reads “*act upon recommendations from Administrative Board, Standing Committees, and Task Forces.*”

Rationale: more accurately represents the present functioning of the region.

2. **Delete** the whole of Article 5

Rationale: hasn't functioned in several years.

3. In Article 6. Sec 6.2: **Correct** the spelling of “Composition:” and **change** the name of the Long Range Development” to “Mission and Development.”

Rationale: refer to 8.7.

4. Article 6. Sec 6.5 (f): **correct** spelling of “making.”

5. Article 7. Sec 7.3: In the second sentence, **change** committee name to “Mission and Development”

6. Article 8. Sec 8a: **Delete** Research; change **name** of LRD to Mission and Development

Rationale: refer to recommendation #10 below.

7. Article 8. Sec 8.4: **Insert** a new duty as c) that reads as follows; and **re-number** other duties:

c) “recommend to the Administrative Board a two year mission and development fund based on anticipated earnings from the Endowment Fund and from operational reserve funds for special projects, task forces, and other mission endeavors for the Region,”

Rationale: encourage the resourcing of creative initiatives and programs that may be proposed from the membership from year to year.

8. Article 8. Sec 8.7: **Delete** the present 8.7 and **insert** the following as 8.7”

8.7 “Mission and Development Committee:”

This committee shall further develop the ACPE, Inc. within the boundaries of the Southeast Region, research needs of the members and consumers of CPE in the Region, facilitate long range planning, and review and recommend special mission projects to the Administrative Board.

This committee shall consist of nine (9) members, including the Chairperson. The Chairperson Elect shall be an ex-officio member of this committee.

Rationale: strengthen the coordination of envisioning, planning and mission endeavors of the region by empowering a more intentional, diverse group.

9. In Article 8. Sec 8.9: rename “Racial and Ethnic Committee” to “*Cultural, Racial and Ethnic Committee*”

- a) **Amend** by inserting “cultural humility,” in between “shall promote inclusiveness” and “cross-cultural educational” so that the phrase reads “*shall promote inclusiveness, cultural humility, cross-cultural educational opportunities;*”
- b) **Amend** the definition by inserting “diverse cultural backgrounds and various” in between “persons of color” and “ethnic origins” so that the phrase reads “*encourage persons of color, diverse cultural backgrounds, and various ethnic origins to enroll in programs and to enter Supervisory CPE,*”.
- c) **Amend** the definition by inserting “cultural” before “racial and ethnic settings” so that the phrase reads “*encourage the development of non-traditional programs of CPE in cultural, racial and ethnic settings.*”

If all amendments are approved, the definition would read:

“The Cultural, Racial and Ethnic Committee shall promote inclusiveness, cultural humility, cross-cultural educational opportunities; raise awareness of discrimination; encourage persons of color, diverse cultural backgrounds, and various ethnic origins to enroll in programs and to enter Supervisory CPE; and encourage the development of non-traditional programs of CPE in cultural, racial and ethnic settings.”

Rationale: empowering regional committee to implement current Standard with respect to cultural humility and competence.

10. Delete Section 8.10 Research Committee; and re-number the next two sections.

Rationale: lack of interest within the region and no ACPE Committee with which to be related and accountable. When, and if there is interest, such projects may be proposed to the Mission and Development Committee.

11. From 9.3, **strike** “Coordinating Council”

The Governance Manual may be altered, amended, or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the eligible voting members present at the Annual Business Meeting. The certified Supervisors, inactive Supervisors, retired Members, Clinical Members, Individual Members, seminary Representatives, and Seminary/Faith Group/Agency Representatives shall have voting rights. (cf. Article 3, sec.3.3)