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## *Looking ahead---*

### **CERTIFICATION: deadlines for Spring2011...**

**Declaration of Intent:** 5 Jan '11 (to Spackman)

**Payment of Fees:** 14 Jan '11 (to Keith)

**Docket Released:** 28 Jan '11

**Materials Postmarked to Committee** 4 Feb '11  
**Committee Meetings** 6-8 Mar '11 at Hickory Knob

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### **RACIAL, ETHNIC, MULTICULTURAL NETWORK INVITATIONAL XXIV**

**Feb 2-5, 2011; Ramada Plaza Richmond West, VA.**

**\*\*\*Application Form can be found on [www.serape.org](http://www.serape.org)\*\*\***

**ACPE Leadership Meeting, Salt Lake, April 2-5, 2011**

**ACPE Annual Conference, April 6-9, 2011**

**Sheraton Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah**

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**Southeast Region Board, Committees Meeting**

**Hickory Knob State Resort Park**

**March 6 - 8, 2011**

**S. E. Region Members' Meeting, Sept. 27 - 30, 2011**

**Hyatt Regency on N. Main in Greenville, SC**

**Group rate: \$89 plus tax; reservations by Sept. 6**

*In this newsletter, you will learn the 100% successful certification reviews of candidates from the SE, update on the Foundation for CPE, and a report from our ACPE Board of Representatives.*

*Please let me know if you received this Newsletter!*

*Blessings, peace and grace sufficient to you!*

*Jap*

**Reminder: In 2011,**

**Annual Accredited Center Fee will be **\$125;****

**Five Year Accreditation Review will be **\$250; Site Review will be **\$500.******

**Student Unit Registration Fee will be **\$90 per student per unit.****

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**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

Somewhere I read that “you shall reap your reward in due season, if you faint not.” Well, blessings galore came to the Southeast Region Certification Committee and a host of ACPE Supervisors when our candidates met the ACPE Certification Commission in Atlanta in November. Never before have we been so blessed at any one meeting of the commission. Heartfelt thanks and grateful congratulations to:

Jonathan Ball, granted Associate Supervisor (CCCGa)

Katherine Higgins, granted Associate Supervisor (Children’s)

Miguel Santamaria, granted Associate Supervisor (Tampa General)

Stephen Robinson, granted ACPE Supervisor (Palmetto)

Cynthia Vaughn, granted ACPE Supervisor (Emory; we prepared her even though she now serves in the Mid-Atlantic Region).

*Congratulations also to the Care and Counseling Center of Georgia for **receiving a commendation** from the Accreditation Commission for their fine work with the PAG and the seminaries in the Atlanta area.*

**HALLELUIA!!!**

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**FOUNDATION FOR CPE**

At the ACPE Leadership Meeting on Nov ’10, it was announced that the contracts of the Executive Director and the Administrative Assistant would be terminated by the end of 2011, that the contract with Myerberg, Shain & Associates was terminated on 15 Aug ’10, and that the operations of the FCPE would be moved to the ACPE Office in Decatur. The stated intent is “to establish a close working relationship between FCPE and ACPE, with FCPE continuing to serve as the investment and fund raising arm of ACPE and to provide legal protection of the assets of ACPE.”

“The immediate FCPE priorities are: 1) a re-defined annual fund and 2) a capital campaign to develop and maintain a new ACPE National Office and Academy for Continuing Education on the property purchased in April 2010 in downtown Decatur.”

As funds are available a part-time Development Director and a part-time Administrative Assistant will be added to the staff of the ACPE Office, hired and accountable to the ACPE Executive Director (with a secondary reporting relationship to the FCPE Board of Directors).

These decisions resulted from financial realities, i.e., insufficient revenues, less than successful annual fund efforts, an urgent need to reduce operating expenses, and continuing dependence upon the ACPE Endowment Fund to cover operating needs of the FCPE.

ACPE, Inc. now owns .48 acre of land located at 542 Church Street, Decatur, GA and a building that must be demolished. To complete the envisioned project another \$10 million is needed. Please send your contribution to the FCPE, Inc., P. O. Box 961, Decatur, GA 30031 or to 1549 Clairmont Road, Suite 205, Decatur, GA 30033. Check the website: [www.foundationforcpe.org](http://www.foundationforcpe.org).

## SUMMARY REPORT OF THE ACPE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

in Atlanta, GA, November 3-6, 2010

submitted by the Southeast Region Representatives: Miriam Needham and Bill Baugh

This fall meeting of the ACPE Board of Representatives was very significant for our Association. There were three main areas around which the discussion and decision-making were focused:

- the changing connection between FCPE and the ACPE;
- the continuing process of governance change; and
- the relationship between the ACPE and its REM Network which is manifested most strongly in the Annual REM Invitational.

Each of these areas was given a focused amount of time during the meetings and this summary will focus on our discussions and decisions.

1. FCPE/ACPE Transition. Jap was present for this all-day session and has provided a good summary of that discussion on the previous page. The main concern was two-fold: (1) the issues related to the merging of the FCPE office and the ACPE office, and (2) the Annual and Capital Campaigns. The latter campaign focuses on the building of our new International Office and Education Center in Decatur and will be the responsibility of the FCPE and their Capital Campaign committee. The Annual Campaign is the effort which helps to pay for the operating costs of the FCPE.

The Board of Reps agreed to take on some significant responsibility for engaging their regions to support the Annual Campaign and each region will hear more about that opportunity within the next couple of weeks. It was clear that the Reps needed to be more actively involved in communicating with their regions about both campaigns and we all committed to that effort. So please look for more information and please respond with your questions to Bill and Miriam.

A significant part of the FCPE/ACPE conversation had to do with the property that has been purchased in Decatur and the vision of a new national office. The architects who have been chosen to create the plans for the new structure (Lord, Aeck & Sargent) gave a visual presentation. The building seeks to represent the needs of the ACPE office staff and their work on behalf of the Association. And it envisions space to expand the vision which came out of our strategic plan 5 years ago to provide a good space for conferencing and increased educational resources for our membership. The Academy is one fulfillment of that vision.

Here are the values that were incorporated in the proposed building: be “green”; encourage contemplation and creativity; create a sense of calm yet focused energy; emphasize environments including gardens, fresh air, and natural light; support inclusiveness and diversity; be accessible by air and public transportation; be climate friendly; house leadership, commissions committees, board, and supervisory students; and accommodate new programs out of ACPE and new CPE design. The image of the building presented was lovely and it stirred our desire to honor our history and our hard work with a space that calls the ACPE to be more fully who we have always been – educators of spiritual care providers.

The key, of course, is the raising of funds to support this vision into reality. It was very clear to the Board that this must be an effort of the entire membership as we dream together for this lovely building. The reality is that ACPE now owns this very highly prized property in Decatur, Georgia. The Board agreed to do everything they could personally and in community with their regions to support a successful Capital Campaign.

2. GOVERNANCE. The second significant discussion was the response to the Governance Proposal which was placed before each region during the fall of 2010. The reps reported extensively on the responses from their regional membership. It was clear that many of the responses were very similar and the concerns shared by each region held some basic common threads:

- the issue of whether the proposal was moving ACPE away from an Association model to a corporate model was repeated;
- the question of how this proposal was truly going to save the ACPE money was lifted over and over;

- there were concerns about the Leadership Council and how members would be nominated;
- there were questions about the involvement of the RD's and how that would take them away from the work of their regions;
- there were many questions about the role of conference calls to carry on the work of the Association; and
- there were concerns about how the work of the current Bd of Reps needed to be channeled more effectively to the regions and/or the commissions.

It was a very rich discussion. It was decided that the Governance Change Task Group who created and presented the proposal change would take back the many concerns/recommendations from the regions, gather and circulate support data, refine and complete the proposal, and distribute it for the fall, 2011 regional meetings for consideration and feedback. The proposal will then be adopted or amended at the fall 2011 Board of Reps meeting and put before the membership at the fall 2012 meeting.

3. The last very significant discussion was concerning the relationship between the ACPE and its Racial, Ethnic, Multicultural Network.

The Board had previously requested a consideration of a joint meeting for the ACPE Annual Conference and the REM Invitational. There was a concern over finances and the thought that the joint conferences would help with costs; and, there was a deep concern over the sense of separation within the Association between the REM constituency and the Association.

The REM leadership responded to that request with equally deep concerns that such a joint conferencing would eventually if not immediately submerge the REM into the Association identity with a loss of identity for the REM. We were reminded that racism and prejudice exist in our Association and there is fear that those realities would diminish somehow the historical and present necessity that the REM Invitational be a place of safety and common language and identity.

Out of the Board's concern, we asked for a meeting with the leadership of the REM Network to talk about the concerns listed as well as a possible plan for learning and healing. That meeting occurred during the Fall Board meeting.

It was a very helpful conversation in which the REM leadership asked for more time to continue to meet in their separate conference because of the need expressed above for a separate and safe space.

In response to the concern expressed that the Invitational was singularly focused on issues within the African American ACPE community and was not truly multicultural, the REM leadership made clear that they had made clear efforts to make the Invitational more inclusive in the past years and that their program content included speakers and issues/themes that had broader appeal in terms of ethnicity, culture, religion, and thought.

The Board heard 2 important requests from REM and will seek to honor them: 1) come to the REM Invitational and 'see for yourself'; and, 2) give us more time to meet separately from the ACPE Annual Conference so that we can make stronger our own identity.

While there were other matters that came before the Board during this meeting, these three seemed to be the focus and are clearly themes that will mark our future. As always, please contact Bill or Miriam with any questions and/or responses.

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***From our home to your home, may you have grateful hearts and good times with family and friends on this Thanksgiving Season! Jap & Betty***