

East Central Region General Business Meeting  
Hueston Wood State Park; Oxford, Ohio  
February 22, 2013

With a quorum established, the meeting was called to order by the Chair, Bob Uken at 2:50 p.m.

**Executive Council Meeting - Bob Uken**

The Executive Council reviewed and evaluated the Regional Director and Administrator. The reflection from the Personnel Committee showed a positive response from the membership.

If there are pastoral issues for yourself or the center, please inform the Regional Director and/or Regional Administrator for continued care and contact.

**Budget and Investment Committee - James Wright**

The Budget was presented and approved -

Income for 2013 is reduced by decrease of number of centers.

Expenses will likely increase as a result of the Regional Director retirement with decrease payment by the Regional Director's center for his travel.

The Committee highlighted the bonus to the Regional Director and Administrator of \$600 each. The motion was made by the committee and approved by acclamation.

Committee moved adoption of the budget as presented - approved.

**Nominations Committee - William Foster**

The slate was presented nominations were accepted from the floor -

Election begins effective January 1, 2014.

Discussion was held concerning the placement of Frank Impicicche as the Regional Representative to the Certification Commission. Frank Impicicche was placed as Certification Commission Representative from the region. There will be continued investigation as to potential for Co-Chairs and will be reviewed at the Fall Conference.

Slate was passed

**Accreditation - Ruth Alpers**

The United States Department of Education review pointed out several areas where ACPE was not following ACPE's policies.

One area was to develop a new definition for the position of the Practitioner. The proposed definition is for an individual selected by the site being reviewed who has four units of CPE, five years of experience, and appropriate training to the site being reviewed.

Second was a criticism of postponements that were excessive. Therefore an immediate change is that in a ten year cycle only one extension will be allowed. If it is a ten year postponement, an immediate limited site visit will occur.

Centers coming before Commission include three new centers will be presented at this meeting of the Accreditation Commission.

The region had one center close in January. Mount Carmel Hospital in Columbus, Ohio

requested removal of Accreditation and closed their CPE program.

The chair thanked Bonnie Woods who is rotating off the committee who handled the annual reports for the past five years.

**Certification Committee** - Frank Impicciche and Beth Newton Watson

Frank Impicciche presented that there were six individuals on the docket this time. The last three dockets have been smaller and Frank will be exploring if there is a decrease in the SES centers, financial issues, or other issues later in the conference. Results included:

Candidacy

Gary Cooper - Granted

Kechia (Kay) Jenkins - Denied

Extension for Candidacy

Leslie Stokes - Granted

Extension for Associate Supervisor

Victoria Johnson - Denied

Consultation

Donald Chase

JoAnne Morris

**National Report**

Beth Newton Watson heard discussion on the variation on the printed Manual and Web-Site Manual. Frustration of those going up to committees was spoken. Also, anger about the agreement that the Manuals written would be used for five years without changes other than what may be required by governmental authorities. Suggestion of locating an individual who could maintain the details of the web-site and the written manuals.

Discussion arose about the Grid used for the Theory Paper Readers. It was updated by a committee and submitted for use. National office was encouraged to use the updated Grid.

Frank Impicciche informed the meeting that the dates set for future Certification Committee meetings are on web site under the Certification tab. Also, the application form for Regional Certification Committee is also under the Certification tab and must be used to apply for a committee. He warned that an e-mail is not sufficient to apply for a committee.

**Regional Director's Report** - Dennis Kenny

Presented graph (this was included in the April 2013 ECR Newsletter) which shows the ECR statistics for units of CPE for Level 1, Level 2, SES, and total. Average over the last seven years has been around 900 units. He stated that the ECR falls in the middle of the regions for the total number of units.

Comment was made that the number of centers without supervisor has increased and number of supervisors has decreased. The Regional Director does not see this in the ECR. A request was made for a data graph on number of accredited centers over time. He noted that the number of centers of this region will greatly increase in the next couple of years.

Comment was made on the raising age of those who are being trained and certified as

supervisors and the advanced age (experience) of supervisors.

The Regional Director made a plug for the Academy and Webinars for those in supervision. He recommend that centers order them for all SES and that supervisors make use of them as well.

### **Standards - Joseph Viti**

The Regional Standard Committee took a look at the Draft Peer Review Standards. The Standard Commission is looking to have a standardized process for Peer Review with the Standard's Commission writing it and regions implemented the plan.

The concerns raised in the discussion is why the new Standard is being written as the majority is doing Peer Review well. Why place the burden on all for a problem with a few?

Joe Viti began by explaining that Peer Review is 1) not determining competency but to show quality. 2) It is not to show incompetency. 3) It is to be a soul-full regard for the supervisor under review. The past and the potential new standard was presented. (This was included in the March 2013 ECR Newsletter)

Discussion was held on the length of the Peer Review Report. Also, a comment was made that the report would be better sent by the person reviewed than by the presenter. A question was raised as to what is happening in the other regions? Joe Viti's response was that presently this is unknown. He continued by reviewing that the Peer Review Standard shown is the second draft from the national Standard Commission which was reviewed by the region committee. This input will go back to the Standard Commission who can adopt, amend, or deny. The resulting document is put out as a draft for comment and then placed into the 2015 manual. A question was asked as to what is the purpose of one national Peer Review for all regions instead of letting it be to the regions? Joe Viti responded that the Accreditation Commission is concerned that some regions are not doing the process well. A comment was raised requesting that ACPE begin writing policies for dealing with those who are problematic not rewriting policies for everyone. A concern was raised about the word "decision" which is included in the report section of the proposed standard. This word would imply that the Peer Review is to make decisions. Another comment included that we have a great Peer Review document and process in the region and the individual would like to keep the present process.

### **National Conference**

Early Bird Registration is due Thursday, February 28, 2013. There is a national process in which ACPE invited themselves to Indianapolis, Indiana. The presentations are about training Pastors for Hispanic Community or other minority ministry and what makes a healthy clergy. Come join us in Indianapolis!

### **Ethics Committee - Yoke Lye Kwong**

She began by stating that the regional representative does not know what is happening in the region. The region representative works in other regions. She presented a report as an educational document and in preparation for an ethic workshop in future regional conferences.

Report was included in the March 2013 ECR Newsletter.

**Long Range Planning - Karl VanHarn**

Two ideas to follow-up on were presented through the Long Range Planning Committee. First was to reconfigure our Certification process so that the Associate Supervisor be the terminal process for Level 1 &2 and that Certified Supervisor to add Supervisory education. The idea is that the ECR may be a trial region for this process.

Second idea is to build upon an organization of supervisors who could put together webinars for other supervisors and other regions about issues which supervisors are already calling regional supervisors. This could be a financial gain for the region.

**Racial-Ethnic-Multi-cultural (REM)**

A verbal report was given on behalf of Karen Morrow and the written report was included in the March 2013 ECR Newsletter.

**Clinical Members Task Force**

No Report

**History Task Force**

No Report

**Research Task Force**

No report

The next conference meeting in Cincinnati was announced and all were encouraged to come.

**Minutes of the October 5, 2012**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were sent out to the region previous to this meeting. A correction was previously made that on page 2 of the document the name of Beth Newton Watson was misspelled and is to be spelled without the hyphen. Debbie Mansell made a motion to approve the minutes. Cam Holzer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. by the Chair, Bob Uken.

Respectfully Submitted

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