

**A.C.P.E. NORTH CENTRAL REGION**  
**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**Chula Vista Resort**  
**Wisconsin Dells, WI**  
**October 14-16, 2001**

The business meeting was conducted in three segments.

**Session one:** Sunday, October 14

1. The meeting began with Responsive Prayer led by the Conference Worship Team.
2. David Middleton, Regional Chair, called the meeting to order.
3. Eighty persons registered their attendance at the Business Meeting.
4. The agenda was approved as distributed.
5. Persons new to the Region, Visitors, and Students introduced themselves.

Bill Tallevast, Wausau; Barbara Lindeman, Mankato; Jim Stapleford, ACPE President; Mark Papke-Larson, Bemidji; Royal Corbin, Des Moines; Mary Ann Kehoe Lind, Iowa City.

6. The Minutes of the Spring Meeting – May 3, 2001 – were approved as distributed.
7. Reports were given as follows with decisions, if any, to be made on Tuesday.
  - A. **Finance/Budget** – W. Wagner – distributed
    - Investment income will be little or nothing for the year.
    - Conference expenses include costs for this conference and planning for the 2003 National Gathering.
    - Given the likelihood of reduced income for the year, committees are encouraged to show restraint in terms of their expenditures.
  - B. **Chair/Board** – D. Middleton
    - Committee chairpersons will receive a form to complete and return to R. Nelson, Secretary, in order to conclude the survey on committee structures, etc.
    - No proposal can yet be made with respect to use of funds normally available to fund the 2003 Annual Conference which will not be held because of the National Gathering that fall.
  - C. **Nominating Committee** – S. McRae
    - A list of current officers and committees was distributed along with current openings and preliminary nominees.
  - D. **ACPE Board of Representatives** – J. Labrecque
    - Reference was made to the report given at the Spring Meeting.
    - It was reported that the proposed merger with related organizations was no longer being considered. Discussion about appropriate relationships will continue.

- E. **Professional Ethics**
    - In the absence of Mary Ann Weigel, who had not yet arrived, G. Sartain indicated that he, Kathy Turner, Sue Breiner, Mary Ann Weigel, and Will Wagner had received training equipping them to participate in Ethics Hearings.
    - There had not yet been any need to convene an Ethics panel in the Region.
  - F. **Accreditation** – Nancy Wigdahl – distributed.
  - G. **Certification** – T. Thorstenson – distributed.
  - H. **Standards** – D. Dinsmore – distributed.
  - I. **History and Research** – L. Shostrom
    - The Research Award recipient for 2001 is Dan Duggan.
    - The committee is reviewing the criteria for research awards.
    - Distinguished Service Awards (Harvey Berg and Phil Olson) and Supervisor Emeritus recognition will occur at the Tuesday evening banquet.
  - J. **Development** – Peter Holland – distributed.
  - K. **Theological Education** – M. Oberwise Lacock
    - The Committee conducted a well received workshop at the Spring National Gathering on the Kolb Learning Inventory.
    - It is working on a project to establish CPE in a correctional institution with Alexian Brothers, LSTC, the ELCA, and LSS.
  - L. **Conference and Continuing Education** – S. Thornton
    - The focus for this conference is on multi-cultural realities, specifically in relation to Native American realities.
  - M. **REM**
    - No Report
  - N. **Clinical Members** – E. Lisowski
    - There are 78 clinical members in the Region
    - A directory on Clinical Members Resources was distributed
  - O. **RANC** – M. Oberwise Lacock
    - Reference was made to the report previously available.
8. **The Regional Director's Report** – G. Sartain
- A power point presentation made the following information available.
- It has been a whirlwind first year due to transitions and changes both personally and professionally.
  - The Regional Website is being used to the tune of 3000 hits in six months.
  - Decisions with respect to the newsletter will need to be made.
  - The National Conference (2003) Planning Committee is at work.
  - The Spring Board and Committee Convocation in 2003 will be held in Lake Geneva.
  - Next year's (2002) is again scheduled for Madison.
  - Cheri Millette is the new Administrative Coordinator for the Region and a most welcome addition.
  - New supervisors to the Region are Bill Tallevast in Wausau and Kathy Turner in Madison.
  - NACC supervisors availing themselves of the reciprocity agreement with ACPE are:

Gene Sitzman, Linda Bronerski, Art Metallo, July Olind, Eric Erickson, James Buryaska.

→ Some concerns have to do with

- The interface with the national office around addresses, unit report forms, etc.
- Accreditation costs for programs.
- Unpaid unit fees.
- Nagging ethics concerns.
- Unhelpful procedures put in place by Human Resources offices in facilities where there are difficulties.
- Open positions, especially in rural areas.
- The heavy workload on volunteers that is necessary for the organization to get its work done.

The business meeting was recessed at 5:30 p.m.

**Session Two:** *Monday, October 15*

1. Art Johnson and David Middleton opened the second session of the business meeting with prayer.
2. Jim Stapleford, ACPE President brought greetings from colleagues in other regions and the National Office personnel. There is a welcome stability in the National Office. The Endowment Fund has been adversely affected by the national economic decline but remains solid. There have been no appeals or complaints around Accreditation or Certification matters this year; there has been one complaint against a commission.
3. Nominations were accepted from the floor for the various open offices; the slate of nominees was then accepted and nominations were closed
4. There were no proposals brought forward for action or decision. There was some time available for general discussion about items of interest to the Region's members. Among the items:
  - A reminder that nominations for Supervisor Emeritus need to be made through the History and Research Committee and should be made before the middle of November. No action had been taken on this matter at this meeting.
  - A concern for issues of growth and what is happening in the Region with respect to number and location of settings, need for supervisors in rural areas, and marketing matters.
  - Attention was called to the fact of ACPE involvement in the aftermath of the events of September 11. This led to some wonderment about whether there are adequate regional structures in place to deal with a crisis that might happen on our territory.

The meeting was recessed until Tuesday, October 16.

*Tuesday, October 16*

1. D. Middleton called the meeting to order at 9:40 am.
2. The ballot was distributed and the assembly voted (results are attached).
3. No resolutions needed action.
4. **MSC** to approve the budget as presented on Sunday.
5. The nominating Committee was elected on the ballot earlier distributed.
6. Mike Carlson expressed thanks for ways in which committees were already beginning to address questions of size and structure.

7. Following various announcements, D. Middleton turned over the leadership of the Region to the new chair, Beth Burbank.  
Thanks was expressed to the Conference Planning Committee.  
Thanks was expressed to D. Middleton upon his retirement as Board Chair.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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North Central Region/ACPE

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