

WACES Teleconference
June 25th, 2015

Present – Erika Cameron, Kathryn van Asselt, Thom Field, Keely Hope, Joel Lane

1) Welcome

2) ACES Summer Meeting Update

- Expectations of regional leadership
 - ACES would like to be more connected with the regions (ex: expecting President Elects to have a larger presence at ACES Leadership meetings)
 - Will need to conduct elections earlier
 - ACES will be requiring each region to create a budget with ACES Treasurer
- ACES Governing Council Meetings
 - ACES - Thursday, 10/8, 9 – 12:00pm, Rooms: 414 (Erika and Keely)
 - Summer - San Antonio, June 9 – 12 2016 (Keely and Thom)
- ACES Initiative
 - Gerard Lawson put forth an initiative that was accepted: ACES will be encouraging institutions in our regions to create doctoral programs. ACES would be willing to provide support (\$15,000) to build doctoral programs

3) WACES To-Do's

- By-Laws and Policy Handbook
 - Have not been updated since 1994, very out of date
 - Email Erika after meeting if interested in working on by-laws
- Budget
 - Erika and Terry will start working on budget; ACES have template for us to use
- Elections – ACES Business Meeting
 - Secretary is up for election; so is President Elect Elect Elect
 - Erika proposes changing by-laws so that Treasurer is appointed, not elected; will need new Treasurer beginning June 30th, 2016
- NBCC ACEP Number
 - We don't have a provider number; we've been using the national number but that will be changing
 - We are recommended to get our own regional number
 - In order to get a provider number, we need to list an address – should it be the President's address? Or the Treasurer's Address?
 - Perhaps we could get a PO Box in the Treasurer's name, since the Treasurer will be an appointed position that would likely be more long-term than elected positions
 - We will all continue to consider possible solutions
 - Can we ask other regions to see how they have worked around similar issues?

- ACES Awards Committee Member
 - 2-year rotation; our representative will be rotating off the committee later this year, so we need to find a new committee member
 - Kathryn has the responsibility as Past President to handle awards for our region
 - Historically, whoever handles our awards is also on the national committee
 - Maybe we could establish a more formal regional awards committee, and then one of the committee members could also be our national representative
 - We will send out a call to all WACES members & ask them to write a statement (in case we need to decide between multiple interested individuals)
- Professional Advocacy representative
 - ACES President Elect has asked for a WACES member who has strong professional advocacy skills to step forward as a representative
 - Send Erika an email with names of nominees
- Update website with current leadership
 - Thom will update website with current leadership
- Webinar Training
 - Technical difficulties with link for webinar training
 - Keely will conduct first webinar
 - Erika will connect Keely with Margaret
 - Timing is difficult given the October conference
 - Details to consider: should we charge? Should we advertise at ACES/ACA?
 - Spring sounds like an ideal time to hold the webinar
- Membership
 - Technical difficulties with membership due to changing registration renewal date
 - Our technical number of members has dropped from over 210 to 20
 - Important for us to have members registered in WACES and ACES, since we get a rebate of \$10 per member
 - We need to consider ways to increase membership
 - Erika would like one of our initiatives this year to be increasing membership

4) Conference Update

- WACES 2016
 - Thom visited the site in Vancouver: signed a contract with Pinnacle Hotel in Vancouver (Wednesday through Saturday); room rate will be \$159 Canadian dollars
 - 5 break-out rooms, 1 key-note room, & an exhibitor area
 - Call for proposals should go out mid-Spring 2016; can put out a call for conference committee members at Business Meeting
- ACES 2019
 - 2019 conference will be in our region
 - ACES is creating a position of conference director
 - We will still need an on-site representative, but most of the planning work will be conducted by conference director

- 10% of conference profit will go to our region
- Leading contenders are Portland, Seattle, or possibly even Alaska

5) Other Business

- Planning on meeting at ACES
- Make sure we each add individual profiles on ACES Member Directory
- Acknowledging Kathryn's leadership contributions
- Keith Dempsey is running for ACES president