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STATUS REPORT

Hello Council colleagues! This Fall Status Report brings you the latest information on your Board of Directors (BOD) and its work as well as upcoming planned events and news items. I hope that as you read this report, your semester has started effortlessly and uneventfully and is moving along in full swing.

RECENT BOD ACTIVITIES

The academic year has started and most academics (except the lucky ones on sabbatical) have gone back to their classrooms, clinics, and labs. Our BOD have done that and been busy conducting their Council duties as well. For example, BOD members are working on student scholarships for member program, ensuring the CSDCAS materials are available on our website, digitizing the Council's archived materials, meeting and interacting with various related professional organizations (e.g., CAA, CFCC, AAA, ACAE), overseeing various task forces, planning our annual conference, and much, much more. Also, our President-Elect, Melody Harrison, is our representative for the BOD to ASHA's Academic Affairs Board (AAB). One current focus of that Board revolves around discussions on the non-entry level Clinical Doctorate in Speech-Language Pathology. This topic has generated a great deal of debate, and so BOD is glad to have a permanent representative on ASHA's AAB (CAPCSD President-Elect always sits on that Board) to be a part of those discussions and also is pleased to have a session on it at our upcoming annual conference in April 2013. All in all, we are a busy bunch. Please come to our Business Meeting at the ASHA convention (see information below) to hear more.

2013 CAPCSD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It truly is not too early to begin planning for your trip to the April 17-20, 2013 annual conference in Phoenix this coming year. With the theme of "Putting the Pieces Together," Vice President for Professional Development Jennifer Taylor and her team are putting together a truly incredible three day learning experience. Wednesday's pre-conference workshop will be on the impact of reimbursement on education in communication sciences and disorders, a topic that is first and

foremost in many of our minds. Thursday's opening session will focus on being positive, and how programs can move forward in challenging times. Friday's plenary will center on social media. The conference committee also has other exciting ideas in store, including new ways to get newcomers involved. You can read more about these topics, the conference venue (rooms will be quite reasonable), and more at: http://capcsd.org/conference/2013_conference.php

JOIN US FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING AT THE ASHA CONVENTION

For those of you attending the ASHA convention in Atlanta, please join us for our semi-annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, November 14th from 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Omni Hotel, Grand Ballroom C. There will be light appetizers and a cash bar. The Business Meeting is a great time for you to hear specifics from most of your BOD members about what we have been doing since we last spoke with you at the annual conference and for you to mingle with other members. Also, as a reminder, you may, at any time, but particular for this meeting, submit a resolution for the Council to consider. Information about that process can be found in our Policies and Procedures manual:

http://capcsd.org/documents/CAPCSD%20POLICY%20AND%20PROCEDURES%20MANUAL%2005_29_12.pdf

SEARCH FOR NEW ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT COMPANY UPDATE

As I reported in my last Update, Frances Laven will be retiring in June, 2013. The BOD is actively in the process of searching for an Association Management Company (AMC). This has been quite a learning process for all of us (and continues to be so). We read quite a bit on how best to search for an AMC. We posted a Request for Proposals (RFP) late August on two different national-level AMC internet sites that attract top companies and held a live, call-in Q&A in early September for companies that had questions about the RFP. We had quite a nice turn out for that. Responses to the RFP are due on October 15th; we expect approximately 15-20 applications. The search committee, a subset of the BOD, will review these applications and narrow the field to the top 3-4 applicants. The entire BOD then will interview these top AMCs in early January, with the plan of choosing a replacement for Frances in time to have a representative from that company at our annual conference in April. It has been quite an arduous task, and I assume it will continue to be so, but it is one the BOD is committee to because its outcome will affect the Council for years to come.

On behalf of the entire BOD, I hope you are doing well and that your semester is moving along smoothly. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about anything in this Update or any other Council issues. I look forward to seeing many of you at our meeting in Atlanta in November.

Sincerely,



Kenn Apel

Future CAPCSD Annual Conferences:

- 2013 - April 17-20, Phoenix, AZ
- 2014 - April 9-12, Orlando, FL
- 2015 - April 15-18, Newport Beach, CA