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ACE-DHH NEWS

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Take Your Spring B"rrrr"eak in Rochester And Come to the 1999 ACE-DHH Conference

The plans for the 1999 ACE-DHH conference (February 26-28, March 1) are well underway. Even though the lodging will be at the Radisson Inn Rochester, all of the meetings and sessions will be at NTID's Lyndon Baines Johnson building, which is just a short walk from the hotel (shuttle bus service will be provided too). The Friday evening reception will be held at NTID's Switzer Gallery. We are working on having the banquet held at one of the local museums. The final details, along with the registration information, will be sent to all of you at a later date, probably at the same time when the schedule of programs is ready.

You can make your reservations at the Radisson anytime. The room rates are \$69.95 for single/double and \$79.95 for triple/quad per night. Continental breakfasts are included during your stay. The hotel will provide complimentary shuttle service to and from the airport. To reserve a room, call the Radisson at (716) 475-1910 or send a fax to (716) 475-9633 and refer to ACE-DHH 1999 Conference or #2638.

Do not be intimidated by the Rochester winter. At the time of the conference, you might see snowdrops and crocuses in bloom or there might be two feet of snow on the ground. It is definitely the time of the year when spring is starting to tease us, but the weather can be unpredictable. As mentioned in the last newsletter, plan on the weather being cold (20's -30's) so bring warm clothes.

Again, if you have any questions about anything, feel free to contact Gerry Bateman at GCBNMP@RIT.EDU or (716) 475-6480, v/tty or (716) 475-6500, fax.

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Treasurer's Report

I assumed the duties of treasurer at the end of February 1998. At that time, ACE-DHH monies were transferred from accounts at Idaho State University Credit Union to two accounts at Central Bank and Trust at Lexington, KY. Prior to this transfer, a separate "Conference Checking account" had been started with an initial deposit of \$200.00 at Star Bank in Richmond, KY to enable Program Chair, Karen Dilka, to begin making the local arrangements for the 1998 ACE-DHH conference. For that reason, the treasurer's report is submitted in two sections. The first section details the monies received and spent during the 1998 ACE-DHH Conference. The second section details the monies that are held in a money market account and in a certificate of deposit account.

1998 ACE-DHH Conference

Final Financial Report:

Beginning balance: \$200.00

Deposits: (member dues \$15,695.00

conference fees, collected paper fees, NTID donation)

TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS:\$15,895.00

Expenses:

Postage: \$ 74.10

(includes mailing of collected papers)

Refunds: \$ 205.00

(conference/pre-conference workshop)

Conference Banquet \$ 2,802.00 (including transportation)
Conference Hotel Costs \$ 3,004.24 (includes room set-ups, food, hotel services, copies etc.)
Interpreters – provided gratis by EKU-ITP Real-time captioning \$ 700.00 Keynote/Preconference Speakers \$ 1,841.22 (including honorariums, travel, lodging, food) (*358.44 of this total was paid from ACE-DHH Money Market)
Collected Papers (copy/binding) \$ 139.00

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Total Expenses \$ 8,502.52

Balance after Expenses \$7,392.48

This money will be placed in the ACE-DHH Money Market and Certificate of Deposit Accounts.)

Total Assets of Certificate of Deposit and Money Market Accounts as of September 5, 1998

Certificate of Deposit

Initial deposit \$ 3,361.12 Interest to date \$ 87.08 Total \$ 3,448.18

Money Market Account

Initial deposit \$ 8,870.01 Interest to date \$ 122.01 Expenses: Hotel charges for one Keynote \$ 358.44 Reimbursement: Awards Committee Plaque \$ 25.44 Balance of MMA as of 9/1/98 \$ 8,608.14 Total Assets of ACE-DHH \$ 19,448.80

As per requested by the Executive Board and by members of ACE-DHH, the following actions have been taken:

· our financial records were examined

by an outside auditor,

- application for non-profit status have been made, and
- information from "national investment" companies regarding checking/interest bearing accounts that may be available to our organization has been solicited.

At the present time, ACE-DHH monies remain in accounts in Lexington, KY. A proposal for moving monies to one of these "national investment companies" will be made to the Executive Board prior to the 1999 conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debbie Haydon

Attention: You will note that on your mailing label, below your address, is the year *1998-99*. This means that you are current on your dues. If you do not see this on your label, you need to pay up!

Legislative Considerations with Potential Impact on Teacher Training Programs

We, as educators of the deaf and hard of hearing, are often not privy to and/or find out after the fact the legislative ramblings and enactments which have the potential to impact not only the administration of our programs, but the products of our programs, the teachers and students themselves.

Hopefully, the following information will shed some light on what the Congress of the U.S. is up to regarding new and proposed legislation that could possibly impact teacher training programs in Education of the Deaf.

***On April 14, 1998, the U.S. Department of Education issued a Notice of Request for Advice and Recommendations on Part C (the Infant and Toddler Program) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Comments were due by July 31. Comments focused heavily on the concept of "natural environment: and the need to ensure that the language and communication needs of deaf and hard of hearing infants and toddlers are met.

The Department has reopened the comment period. It will now be open until 30 days after the issuance of the Part B regulations. Those regulations were originally intended to be released in April, 1998. Now we may be into September by the time they come out.

For further information contact: Thomas Irvin, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services; U.S. Department of Education; Room 3090; Mary E. Switzer Building; 330 C Street, S.W.; Washington, DC 20202. Also, you may call JoLeta Reynolds or Thomas Irvin at (202) 205-5507.

***H.R. 2923, The Early Hearing Detection, Diagnosis, and Intervention Act. If

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passed, this bill will provide funds to the Health Resources and Services Administration in the Department of Health and Human Services, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the National Institutes of Heath to help states voluntarily set up programs to screen, track, and provide early intervention services to newborns and infants with hearing loss.

***** My thanks to Barbara Raimondo and the American Society for Deaf Children. The above information was supplied by Parents Connected at asdc

J. Freeman King, Chair

Legislative Committee-ACE-DHH

Minutes from the July CED meeting were unavailable at the time the newsletter went to press.

Call for Nominations

The Membership and Elections Committee is seeking nominations for Officers and Standing Committees. For details of what each Officer's Responsibilities are or for duties incumbent on Standing Committees, check our By-Laws. They can be found at: http://www.educ.kent.edu/deafed/

From this page, click on ACE-DHH, then on By-Laws.

Our organization uses a self-nomination process. (When in need, we have resorted to cajoling, coercion, or arm-twisting. J) We would like to prepare a ballot with at least two people running for each Office and three people running for each Standing Committee. The person with the highest number of votes is elected to the Office. For Standing Committees, the person with the highest number of votes becomes the Chair of the committee; the other candidates become the committee members. The election ballot will be in the December mailing. Please contact any member of the Membership and Election Committee to discuss the positions and to let us know that you are interested in helping to move our organization into the 21st Century. You should also feel free to contact the current officers to discuss their respective position. We would like to hear from you by November 15th so that the ballot can be prepared for the December Newsletter.

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Tenure Track Position in Education of the Deaf

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must be fluent in American Sign Language, possess an earned doctorate in Education or a relate field, be eligible for certification by the Council on Education of the Deaf and have experience working in an educational setting with individuals who are Deaf. Experience working in a multicultural environment with students of diverse backgrounds and learning styles is highly desirable.

PRIMARY REPSONSIBILITIES: Teach graduate teacher preparation courses, supervise clinical practicum, advise and mentor students, conduct research and apply for external funding. Candidates should have a demonstrated commitment to scholarship, research and issues of diversity.

Candidates are requested to submit a letter of interest, a current vitae, and three letters of reference from professionals in the field. Review of applicants will begin on November 1, 1998 and continue until the position is filled. Employment will begin in August, 1999.

Mail application materials to: Kathee M. Christensen, Ph.D. Department of Communicative Disorders San Diego State University San Diego, CA 92182

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