

# Sharing the Commonwealth

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## RISK, REWARD, & BENEFITS OF HOSTING A CONFERENCE

The Winter/Spring 2013 Keystone Seminar is scheduled for Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at Penn State Brandywine. The daylong seminar runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration deadline is this Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Visit [www.pcpa.net](http://www.pcpa.net) to register. Cost is \$25 for PCPA members and students; \$35 for non-members.

This Keystone Seminar will feature a few guest speakers, including Assistant Directors of Residence

Life Christine Price and Missi Stock-Moon from Kutztown University. They will be speaking about their experience in bidding, hosting, and organizing a conference. The cost is \$25 for members or students and \$35 for nonmembers of PCPA.

Please contact David Zlockie, Professional Development Commission Chair, at [zlockie@setonhill.edu](mailto:zlockie@setonhill.edu)

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN...

Well, 2013 is well under way and with the sun shining into my office window, it is hard to tell that it's February in western Pennsylvania! But February it is and things are once again picking up with PCPA.

While the weather might be shining on us now, that was not the case in January and your executive board had their quarterly meeting over the phone.

We are excited to be moving forward with several new initiatives and programs – including entering into a Dual Membership Agreement with ACPA and planning for a Keystone in Brandywine next week.



*PCPA President Amanda Ries*

Your Members at Large are also hard at work planning for networking events this summer – stay tuned for details!

We are also excited to report that planning for the 2013 conference is well underway and the countdown is on to October 20, 2013.

As always, thank you for your membership in PCPA, and please let us know how we can make your experience with this organization the best it can be.

Find us on Twitter at @PCPA\_Tweets, “like” our Friends of PCPA Facebook page, or email me directly at [ries@setonhill.edu](mailto:ries@setonhill.edu). Thank you for all that you do for our students in the state of Pennsylvania!

## PCPA BOARD MEETING BRIEFS

*Prepared by Charmaine Strong, PCPA Recorder*

*Full report of minutes and supporting documents available online at [www.PCPA.net](http://www.PCPA.net).*

The Executive Board Meeting was held via conference call on Thursday, January 24, 2013. Following are the highlights:

Past President Dave Watters will attend the ACPA Conference in Las Vegas this spring and will represent PCPA. PCPA materials are being updated and will be available for the ACPA showcase.

Amber Racchini, President Elect, reported that the ACPA/PCPA dual membership initiative can be “tested” for a couple of years; the group voted to approve testing this initiative.

It was suggested that PCPA investigate purchasing personal liability insurances for the officers of PCPA; Amanda Ries, President, and Amber Racchini will investigate and put forth an electronic vote to the Executive Board.

MALS are organizing Networking Nights to be held in the near future.

Current assets of \$15,318. All conference-related expenditures, except the awards, have been cleared. To strengthen the accounting process, Bryan Koval, Treasurer, will develop a Google form for expenditures/invoicing.

Morgan Rizzardi, Membership Chair, reported that membership

has increased since this time last year. Non-renewing member survey is being used to determine possible reasons for non-renewal.

David Greene, Constituencies Chair, completed the equity and inclusion statement; statement approved.

Dave Zlockie, Professional Development, reported that the Keystone has been postponed until March; PSU Brandywine is hosting; title is “Risk, Reward, and Benefit of Hosting a Conference.”

Dan Kennedy, Webmaster, will be pursuing a content management system in the near future to centrally manage content and give a more modern approach.

Dave Watters and Matthew Shupp (POAC) are organizing the upcoming elections. Bylaws dictate that two additional members are required to assist with the election process – Dan Kennedy and Charmaine Strong, Recorder, volunteered to assist.

In light of the ACPA/PCPA dual membership initiative, the PCPA Bylaws will be impacted. D. Watters will make some initial recommendations for changes; Amber Racchini will assist. An overall strategy will be developed to report changes to membership.

Conference Co-Chair, David Greene, has developed a rough schedule for the annual conference. Conference theme is to be determined in the near future. Call for committee members forthcoming. **Save the dates for the annual conference Sunday-Tuesday, October 20-22.**

Tom Steiner, who has served PCPA for many, many years (including President), will be granted Emeritus Status, upon his retirement from Westmoreland County Community College in spring 2013.

Board discussed benefits of becoming a dual member with ACPA which would include the ability to use ACPA’s state tax identification number. Over the past two years, ACPA has made changes to the dual membership process including the ability for a CPA to withdraw its monies from ACPA at any point. Amanda Ries and Amber Racchini will follow up on questions posed by the Board before dual membership will be decided.

Board approved the motion to pay the conference registration fee for the President (or his/her designee, who must be a member of the PCPA Executive Board) to attend the ACPA annual national conference.

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# PCPA TREASURER REPORT

Prepared by Amber Racchini, Treasurer

January 24, 2013

## PCPA CHECKING ACCOUNT

<b>CASH BALANCE</b>	<b>10/12/2012</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,805.71</b>
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**CASH RECEIPTS:**

Conference	10/22/2012	\$	115.00
Membership	10/22/2012	\$	25.00
Conference	10/22/2012	\$	155.00
Membership	10/22/2012	\$	125.00
Conference	10/22/2012	\$	3,095.00
Membership	10/23/2012	\$	450.00
Conference	10/23/2012	\$	4,054.00
PCPA Book Raffle	11/01/2012	\$	173.00
Conference	11/29/2012	\$	2,340.00
Membership	11/29/2012	\$	300.00
Sponsorship (Chartwells-2012 Conference)	12/07/2012	\$	750.00
Conference	1/22/2013	\$	240.00
Membership	1/23/2013	\$	285.00
<b>Total Cash Receipts</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>12,107.00</b>

<b>TOTAL BALANCE + RECEIPTS + INTEREST</b>	<b>10/12/2012</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,912.71</b>
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**CASH DISBURSEMENTS:**

DATE	CK#	ACTION	PAYEE	AMOUNT
10/01/2012	NA	SERVICE CHARGE	PNC BANK	\$ 3.00
10/06/2012	DC	Conference Expenses	Hotel Carlisle	\$ 5,587.05
10/10/2012	DC	Conference Expenses	Hotel Carlisle	\$ 5,083.49
10/13/2012	DC	E-Board Dinner	Market Cross PUB	\$ 163.04
10/14/2012	DC	Printing (Evals, Business Mtg)	Office Max	\$ 87.87
10/14/2012	1544	Kevin Kennedy	DJ Sunday Night	\$ 500.00
10/14/2012	1545	C. Ruefle	Keynote Speaker	\$ 250.00
10/15/2012	DC	C. Ruefle Hotel Room	Hotel Carlisle	\$ 70.85
10/16/2012	DC	Audiovisual Needs Conf.	Hotel Carlisle	\$ 1,192.32
11/01/2012	NA	SERVICE CHARGE	PNC BANK	\$ 3.00
11/1/2012	DC	Shipping Book Raffle	HUB Copy Center	\$ 33.10
11/6/2012	1546	Conference Overpayment	Cheyney University	\$ 60.00
11/6/2012	1547	Book Raffle Donation	United Way Carlisle	\$ 173.00
12/03/2012	NA	SERVICE CHARGE	PNC BANK	\$ 3.00
12/7/2012	1548	Mail Conference Evals	Seton Hill University	\$ 27.90
12/10/2012	1549	2013 Conference Deposit	Park Inn by Radisson	\$ 500.00
1/24/2013	DC	Hosting Plan for Website	iPower	\$ 251.64
<b>Total Costs</b>				<b>\$ 13,989.26</b>

<b>1/24/2012 TOTAL BALANCE</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>11,923.45</b>
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## PCPA SAVINGS ACCOUNT

<b>10/12/2012</b>	<b>CASH BALANCE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,394.29</b>
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**CASH RECEIPTS:**

DATE	CK#	ACTION	AMOUNT
10/31/2012		INTEREST	\$ 0.15
11/30/2012		INTEREST	\$ 0.14
12/31/2012		INTEREST	\$ 0.15
<b>Total Cash Receipts</b>			<b>\$ .44</b>

<b>1/24/2013</b>	<b>TOTAL BALANCE + INTEREST</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,394.73</b>
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<b>CASH DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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<b>1/24/2013</b>	<b>TOTAL CASH BALANCE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,394.73</b>
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<b>1/24/2013</b>	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,318.18</b>
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# BRIEFS & ANNOUNCEMENTS...

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- ECUADOR HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY TOUR** – Dr. Raul Leon of Eastern Michigan University is leading a 10-day international study tour to Ecuador from June 13-23. The tour hopes to bring together a group of colleagues (graduate students, faculty, and staff) from several institutions and is centered on comparing and contrasting higher education in Ecuador and the U.S. The theme of the study tour is: "Fostering Student Success: The Evolution of Higher Education in Ecuador" All tour activities will take place in Quito (capital of Ecuador), recently selected by National Geographic as one of the top 10 destinations to visit in 2013. Registration deadline is April 1, 2013 (early bird registration is March 10<sup>th</sup>, and comes with a \$200 discount). The study tour fee is \$2,400 for PCPA members; \$2,100 for graduate students. Contact Dr. Leon directly at [rleon1@emich.edu](mailto:rleon1@emich.edu) for more details.
- WEST CHESTER SUMMER WORKSHOPS** – The West Chester Univ. Department of Counselor Education is offering three workshops this summer for grad students, school counselors, mental health counselors, and higher education administrators. Workshop #1 is "Adolescent and Young Adult Mental Health issues for Counselors," July 8-12. Workshop #2 is "Introduction to Resource Management in Student Affairs", July 15-19. Workshop #3 is "Drug and Alcohol Counseling", August 5-9. For more details, or to register, visit <http://www.wcupa.edu/registrar>.
- A PROFESSIONAL UPDATE** – PCPA member Keira Wilson has taken the position of Student Program Coordinator at Princeton University's Pace Center for Civic Engagement. The Pace Center supports innovative university engagement with a wide range of community partners on and off campus. Keira joins the team at the Pace Center after two years with Philadelphia non-profit Friends General Conference (FGC). She plans on integrating her experience with national community development programs to assist students in maximizing their civic and service impact. Keira will continue her support of PCPA as a resident of the Philadelphia area and hopes to encourage collaborative work with student affairs professionals in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

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## Pennsylvania College Personnel Association Executive Board 2012

<b>President</b> Amanda Ries	<b>Constituencies Commission Chair</b> David Greene	<b>Member At Large:</b> <b>Four-Year Public, West</b> Daniel Pretz	<b>Member At Large</b> <b>Two-Year, East</b> Christina Wood
<b>President Elect</b> Dr. Amber Racchini	<b>Membership Commission Chair</b> Morgan Rizzardì	<b>Member At Large</b> <b>Four-Year Public, East</b> Ronika Money-Adams	<b>Webmaster</b> Dr. Daniel Kennedy
<b>Past President</b> David Watters	<b>Faculty Liaison</b> Dr. Kelley Kenney	<b>Member At Large</b> <b>Four-Year Private, West</b> Amanda Gunther	<i>The Pennsylvania College Personnel Association does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, affectional/sexual orientation, or disability in any of its policies, procedures or practices. The non-discrimination policy covers membership and access to association programs and activities including, but not limited to, conferences, placement services, publications, and educational service</i>
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