

2010 – 2011 CCEAM Report

The major event for the Commonwealth Council for Educational Administration and Management (CCEAM) this past year was the biennial conference held in September 2010 in Sydney, Australia. The local host for this conference was the Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL). Approximately 1200 delegates attended this conference, which included both academics and professional educators. It was a very well run conference and included a beautiful setting and gracious hospitality provided by the ACEL leaders. Several Canadian scholars gave presentations at the conference, including Carolyn Shields who delivered a keynote address related to the concept of transformative leadership. The 2010 conference program can be accessed at this link:

http://www.cceam.org/fileadmin/user_upload/2010_conference/CCEAM_and_ACEL_2010_Conference_Program.pdf

As I reported last year, the death last year of Zandile Kunene, who had taken office as CCEAM President in January 2009, led to some challenges for the organization. Anusha Naidu of South Africa, who had been one of the Vice-Presidents, became CCEAM President and served until a new President could be elected at the Biennial Board meeting in September 2010. Frank Crowther from Australia was elected President and took office for a four-year term beginning in January 2011. Some items on the agenda of the CCEAM Executive and Board include a renewal of the vision and mission of the organization, review of the effectiveness and format of the CCEAM journal *International Studies of Educational Administration*, restructuring of the CCEAM Executive and committees, and enhancement of CCEAM research and service projects. Since the CCEAM Board meetings in Sydney in September 2010, there have been two Board meetings conducted by teleconference in March and May 2011 with the intention to hold quarterly Board meetings.

I would encourage CASEA members to mark the dates of Nov. 3 – 7, 2012, in their calendars. The 2012 CCEAM conference will be held then in Limassol, Cyprus. The Cyprus Educational Administration Society (CEAS) will be the host organization for the conference with the theme “New Trends, New Challenges in Educational Leadership and Governance.” Conference information is available at this link: <http://www.cceam2012.com/>

Tim Goddard will report separately on the planning currently underway for CASEA to host the 2014 CCEAM conference at UPEI. While UPEI is responsible for the logistical arrangements for this conference, it is CASEA that is responsible for the academic program. We will need to begin the planning process very soon, with the next step to create and activate the program planning committee as soon as possible. This will be especially important for such matters as invitations to desired keynote speakers who often need to be booked well in advance. CASEA will need to make a conference launch presentation at the 2012 conference in Cyprus,

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