

NAGEC 2010 Board Election Results

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An important part of being a GEC is the opportunity to participate in our united efforts by being involved in our national organization: the National Association of Geriatric Education Centers (<http://www.nagec.org/>). Those GECs that represent a current or past paid member for 2010 or provide an intent to pay the 2011 dues in the form of a proof of check are eligible to serve on the Board of Directors and to vote at the annual meeting. Forty-five (45) currently paid GECs and one new GEC with payment in the mail (Emory GEC) were eligible to vote.

Election Process: In 2010, a Call for Nominations was included in the fall *GEC Pipeline* and multiple e-mails were sent to all GEC Directors and Associate Directors that included the nominations form, notice and agenda for the annual meeting, call for nominations and bio-sketches for candidates.

Election Results: The annual meeting for NAGEC was held on November 19, 2010 from 4-6:30 pm in the Madewood A&B Rooms at the Doubletree Hotel, 300 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA. We were pleased to have such an excellent field of interested and very capable GEC colleagues that were willing to serve. The 2010 NAGEC Nominations Slate included the President nomination and 7 GEC candidates for 5 Board positions. Thirty-seven (37) GECs were represented at the annual meeting of NAGEC and 34 GECs chose to vote. Following the election, nominations were taken from the floor for President-Elect and with ballot voting.

The NAGEC Board represents the network's geographic and diverse membership with 12 GECs representing 14 states and 7 disciplines. The results of the 2010 election are as follows:

- **President, Phil Clark, ScD, Rhode Island GEC**, was elected to serve a one-year term (November 2010 to November 2011) and is the principal executive officer of NAGEC. He is responsible for supervising and controlling all of the business and affairs of the organization; presiding at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors; appointing all Committees; signing contracts; performing all duties needed for leadership of the Board; and appointing a Board Member to the positions of Secretary and Treasurer.
- **Secretary, Janis Yonker, MSA, GEC of Michigan**, was appointed to keep the minutes of meetings of members and the Board of Directors; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records; keep a register of the post office address of each member and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to her by the President or by the Board.
- **Treasurer, Patricia Swager, MEd, Nevada GEC**, was appointed to be responsible for all funds and securities; receive and give receipts and deposit money; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to her by the President or by the Board.
- **President-Elect, Robert E. Roush, EdD, MPH, Texas Consortium GEC**, was elected to serve a one-year term (November 2010 to November 2011, and in the absence of the President, or in event of his inability or refusal to act, the President-Elect performs the duties of President. He is responsible for other duties as assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors.
- **Five (5) New Board Members** were elected to serve a 3-year term (November 2010 to November 2013). They are responsible for actively participating in monthly conference calls and other calls as required by the President; meeting face-to-face once a year, usually in conjunction with GSA;

participating on committees; and representing the GEC network and supporting the work of NAGEC. Newly elected Board Members included **Thomas Caprio, MD, MPH**, Finger Lakes GEC; **Judith A. Metcalf, APRN, BC, MS**, University of New England Maine GEC; **Edwin J. Olsen, MD, JD, MBA**, Miami Area GEC; **Robert E. Roush, EdD, MPH**, Texas Consortium GEC; and **Janis Yonker, MSA**, GEC of Michigan. Alternate Board Members were **Nancy Daugherty, BA**, West Virginia GEC and **John G. Hennon, EdD**, GEC of Pennsylvania.

- **Continuing Board Members** include Judith L. Howe, PHD, Consortium of New York GECs (Past President); Phil Clark, ScD, Rhode Island GEC; Ronni Chernoff, PhD, RD, LD, CSG, FADA, Arkansas GEC; Melen R. McBride, PHD, RN, FGSA, Stanford GEC; Betty Shiels, PHD-ABD, OVAR/GEC; Patricia Swager, MEd, Nevada GEC; and Christine A. Arenson, MD, Eastern Pennsylvania-Delaware GEC.

On behalf of the Board and the NAGEC membership, I want to congratulate our GEC leaders and thank them for sharing their time, effort and expertise.