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Fall Conference Planning Moving Forward

Plans are moving forward for the annual fall conference. The SC AAIDD Executive Committee and Conference Planning Committee met and decided that even in these challenging times continuing education remains important to professionals in the state. There was much discussion about ‘scaling down’ some of the conference due to the current recession and state budget reductions. There was special concern regarding staff availability to attend a conference with all of the reductions, but members of the committee felt that because of the scaling back, there was a greater need than ever for training and having a quality conference available and affordable for professionals in the state. Conference Planning Committee Chairman Mr. Rick Magner mentioned that importance of having true and meaningful trainings that are relevant to the state of South Carolina and what is going on here. Many members of the committees mentioned the large number of talented, knowledgeable staff that do a great job. Chairwoman Debbie Walsh set the theme as “Back to Basics” and the dates of October 14, 15, and 16 at the Crown Reef in Myrtle Beach.



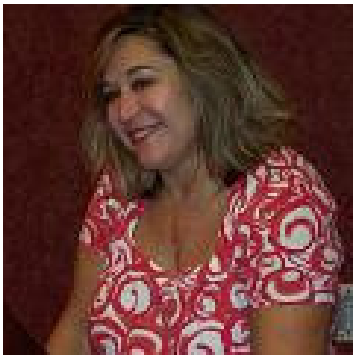
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Check it out: www.scaaid.org

The website is updated regularly with training information, minutes, and meeting information

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION ON Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
STATEMENT

AAIDD promotes progressive policies, sound research, effective practices and



Check out the SCAIDD website for more pictures.

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Southern Region Dissolved

In the November 2008 annual business meeting there was a unanimous vote to dissolve the Southern Region of AAIDD due to lack of interest by the membership to continue the Regional affiliation.

Membership Committee Report:

Terry Schilling reported that the current membership was 72. She stated that some officer's are not members and that we need them all to join. Terry stated that she was going to send letters out in March to recruit new members

CALL FOR PAPERS

The *SC Chapter of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities* announces the **CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS** for the annual conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on October 14-16, 2009. *Back to Basics* will focus on the essentials of providing quality supports to enable people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to achieve independence, reach personal goals, and improve their quality of life.

We invite all speakers to submit presentation proposals for concurrent sessions on topics that will educate professionals who support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

All presentations should be planned with the goal of enabling attendees to gain information that will help increase their knowledge and ability to provide quality supports. Each concurrent session will be approximately 45 minutes long.

Topics of Interest

Presenters are encouraged to submit proposals in the following areas:

- Interventions or supports to enable people with disabilities to achieve independence and personal goals.
- Evidence-based practice derived from research and/or application.
- Related topics including living, learning, working, healthcare, and professional supports.

Submission Criteria

Interested Presenters must complete and return the following:

- Call for Presentations Form
- Summary Abstract
- Presenter Information

Deadline for submissions is August 1, 2009. Forms are available at www.SCAAIDD.org

Please send COMPLETED proposal package to:

U.S.MAIL OPTION SCAAIDD Program Review Committee, Tri-Development Center, PO Box 698, Aiken, SC 29802

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Send as Word Document Attachment
 c/o Renee Staggs (with SCAAIDD 2009 in the subject line)
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