

NRA - VEWAA Bulletin

Vocational Evaluation and Work Adjustment Association

Greetings VEWAA Members! The board is hard at work for you, our membership, to ensure we keep you up to date on the latest news in Vocational Evaluation. But we need input from you too! Please be sure to contact any of the board members on our website: www.vevaa.com and share your ideas! The National Rehabilitation Conference in Utah is right around the corner so be sure to register now (information is in this newsletter for the NRA conference). VEWAA will hold its annual face-to-face board meeting and membership meeting during the conference. We are also asking for nominations for our upcoming 2012 board so be sure to submit your nominations today! As always, thank you for being a continued supporter of VEWAA. We look forward to seeing you in Utah!

VEWAA BOARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

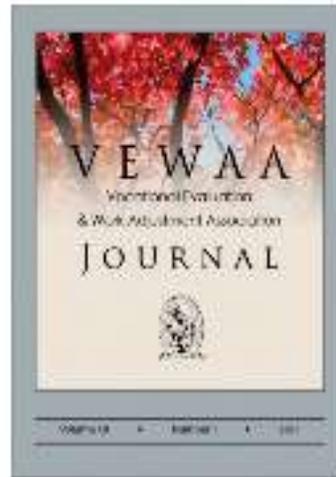
It's that time of the year again – the VEWAA Board is seeking nominations for individuals interested in serving on the Board. These are exciting times within the field of vocational evaluation and work adjustment, especially with the development and launching of a new vocational evaluation credential. VEWAA is planning for increased development in state chapter activity, as well as web-based training opportunities. The VEWAA Journal is experiencing significant overhaul, which will better suit all of our members, including practitioners, academics, and students. Now is a great time to get involved!



The VEWAA Board is seeking nominations for the following positions:

- President Elect – this is a one-year term, with the expectation of serving as President in 2013 and Past President in 2014.
- Secretary – this is a two-year term.
- Board Member at Large – this is a two-year term.
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Nominees must be current VEWAA members. All nominations should be sent to the current VEWAA President, Chad Betters, via email at bettersch@wssu.edu. Nomination submissions are due by Tuesday, October 18th. Nominee ballots will be distributed to the VEWAA membership for voting, and election results will be announced in late November.



VEWAA Journal Call For Papers

Do you have a great idea for a manuscript, but lack the experience in drafting a paper for potential publication? Do you think you could contribute to the vocational evaluation and work adjustment body of knowledge, but just do not know to get started? The VEWAA Journal is calling out for all interested parties that may wish to participate in the process of scholarly writing and publication. The VEWAA Editorial Board is specifically interested in working with those who are currently practicing in vocational evaluation and work adjustment, with the focus of potential publications addressing current clinical issues in the field. Some topic areas of interest include current tools/instruments that are being utilized, different methodologies that are being implemented and specific considerations when working with select populations. If you believe that you could contribute to a potential publication, please contact Dr. Michael Millington, VEWAA Journal Editor, at michael.millington@usu.edu to discuss your ideas. We have several individuals with significant experience in scholarly writing that are eager to work with you in this process.



Registry of Professional Vocational Evaluators

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In May of 2009, the leadership of Vocational Evaluation and Career Assessment Professionals (VECAP) and Vocational Evaluation and Work Adjustment Association (VEWAA) commissioned a nine-member task force to explore options for an additional credential for vocational evaluators. The purpose was to provide a means for new evaluators to obtain professional credentialing, as becoming a CVE is no longer an option. As a result of this task force's efforts, the Registry of Professional Vocational Evaluator (RPVE) was created. RPVE was officially launched in April of 2011.

RPVE is a registry for vocational evaluators who have demonstrated attainment of acceptable standards of education, experience and knowledge. Through the provision of quality vocational services, Professional Vocational Evaluators (PVEs) contribute to the promotion of informed choice in the career development and vocational rehabilitation planning processes, optimize employment outcomes and/or workplace productivity, and enhance the vocational success of individuals with barriers to employment and/or career development.

For additional information, please visit our website: <http://pveregistry.org>



Calling all VEWAA State Chapters!!

One of the top priorities of the current VEWAA Board of Directors is to identify, support and further develop existing state chapters and to participate in the launching and/or strengthening of any new or fledgling chapters. We know there are active chapters ~ North Carolina VEWAA offers quality conferences semi-annually. Minnesota VEWAA, a newly reorganized chapter, offered pre-conference training in partnership with JPD at the 2010 MRA Conference. We know there are more VEWAA chapters that are either active or wish they could be.

What we don't know is who you are and how to reach you. The National VEWAA board wants to list on the VEWAA website state-by-state chapters and their executive boards so that vocational evaluation and work adjustment professionals needing current information, contacts or any other resources, will be able to find it! We need you! Anyone presently or formerly involved with a state chapter who can help provide current contact information to create a directory of existing chapters please contact Debbie Perry, President-elect and State Chapter Committee Chair, at debbie.perry@goodwillky.org or 859-497-4203. Likewise, if anyone is interested in reorganizing chapters that may have become less active in recent years due to various factors, please contact us and we will work with you to make it so! We expect that the launching of the Registry of Professional Vocational Evaluators and the availability of the new PVE credential will remove some of the uncertainty we've all felt since the dissolution of CCWAVES. Now is an excellent time for State VEWAA Chapters to re-energize and to draw in those many graduates who've been waiting for just such an opportunity.



Salt Lake City, 2011: *Where Ideas Connect*

Register Now, Early Bird Registration Ends September 23rd!

Join us for the 2011 Annual Training Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. The conference is from October 14-16th; pre-conference sessions sponsored by the NARL, NRAJPD, NASPPR-VEWAA, and URA will be held on October 13th, 2011. See the attached registration form to sign up, or visit [Calendar of Events](#) to sign up online; click on the desired event and sign up by selecting "Register Now" located under "Quicklinks." [Registration Form \(.doc\)](#) [Registration Form \(.pdf\)](#) Mail Forms To: The National Rehabilitation Association (NRA), 633 South Washington Street Alexandria, VA 22314-4109 Or Fax To: (703) 836-0848

The conference will be held at the Salt Lake City Marriott City Center. The conference room rate is \$119 for either a single or a double room. Rooms must be booked by September 20, 2011, to receive the guaranteed rate. Please note that you are attending the National Rehabilitation Association 2011 Fall Conference when making reservations by phone at (866) 961-8700. You can use the following link to make your reservations at the Salt Lake City Marriott City Center: [Marriott.com](#)

Please join us for our upcoming PEPNet webcast:

Assessment and Evaluation Tools for Individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

About the Webcast: The purpose of this webcast is to explore evaluations and assessments of individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing in the areas of Vocational Rehabilitation, Academic Readiness, and Co-occurring Disabilities. This webcast will feature three formal panelist presentations and a panel discussion. The panelist presentations will provide an overview of important issues that arise when using assessment and evaluation tools in academic and vocational contexts. In addition to general guidelines and considerations when adapting tools to this population, the panelists will highlight specific assessment tools and their appropriate use in practice. The moderated panel discussion will allow panelists to draw upon their professional experiences and emphasize multiple perspectives on issues in the field.

Broadcast dates:

Choose from two viewing dates and times: Wednesday, September 28: 8 AM - 9:45 AM PST, 9 AM - 10:45 AM MST, 10 AM - 11:45 AM CST, 11AM - 12:45 PM EST **OR** Thursday, September 29: 3 PM - 4:45 PM PST, 4 PM - 5:45 PM MST, 5 PM - 6:45 PM CST, 6 PM - 7:45 PM EST

Registration:

For more information and to register for this webcast go to: <http://www.pepnet.org/training/train110928/>
This event is sponsored by PEPNet-Midwest and PEPNet-West. Our mission is to advance educational and work opportunities for individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. For more information go to www.pepnet.org.
PEPNet is supported by cooperative agreements with the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs.

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