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February 2009

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The convention committee had a few e-mail exchanges in the past two months in order to discuss/address the issues summarized below.

Invited 2009 Speakers:

The Convention Committee was asked (at the November 2008 Board meeting) to find an eminent speaker who would be able/willing to deliver a major address in French. We are fortunate to report that Richard Y. Bourhis, CPA Fellow & Professor in the Department of Psychology at the Université du Québec à Montréal, has agreed to deliver an address on “Acculturation and immigrant/host community relations in multicultural settings: A decade of research”.

Translation of Invited Speaker's Slides:

Two of the three speakers – Drs. Sanders and Barlow – scheduled for plenary sessions at the 2009 convention have agreed to make their slides available ahead of time for translation into French. Dr. Loftus is not likely to have prepared her slides in time for translation.

Invited Speakers 2010:

The Convention Committee has started the search for speakers for the 2010 convention. A preliminary list of speakers will be announced at the February 2009 board meeting.

Review of Submissions:

A number of sections have been exceedingly slow to review their submissions, thus holding up convention scheduling. The Convention Committee will consider avenues for facilitating the timely review of all submissions.

Presentation by Award Recipients:

We (the Board and the Convention Committee) have previously contemplated the option of inviting or requiring recipients of CPA award to give a conference presentation. This option has generated a number of e-mails, and will be discussed further by the Convention Committee.

Site of the 2012 Convention:

A final decision on the site of the 2012 convention has not yet been reached. Both St. Johns and Halifax are still under consideration, pending availability of space and a site visit by CPA staff.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Graf, Chair