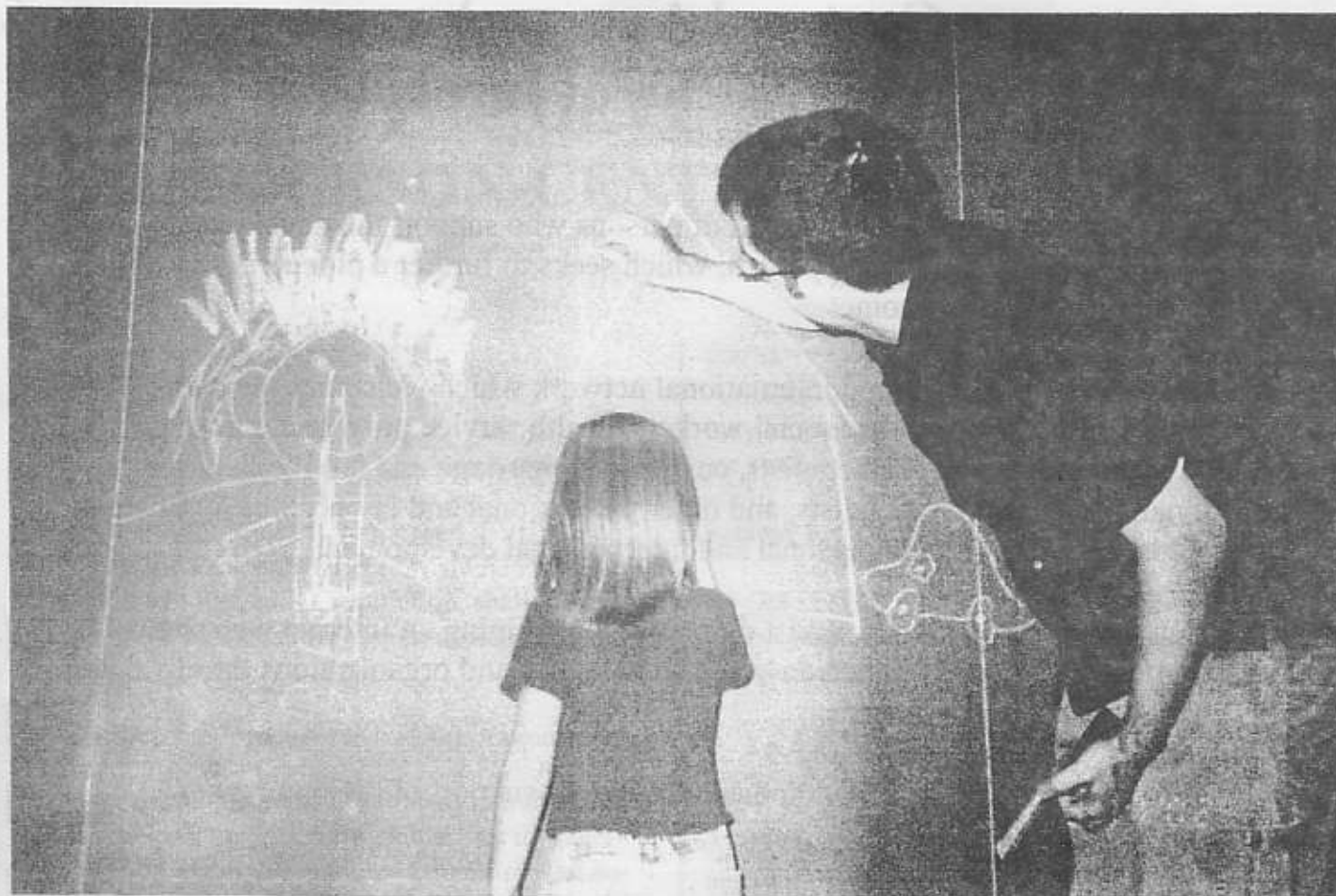


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Welcome, PCA newcomer! A scene at the 2002 ADPCA annual conference in Cleveland.

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The Purpose of the Association for the Development of the Person Centered Approach as stated in its Articles of Incorporation

To Maintain: An International Association of persons who support the development and application of the person-centered approach, which seeks to further a pioneering spirit and vision of what a person can become;

To Act: As an interdisciplinary and international network which welcomes the participation of educators, psychologists, nurses, social workers, health service providers, pastoral counselors, psychiatrists, psychotherapists, counselors, marriage and family therapists, organizational development specialists, and other professional and lay persons involved in the field of human relations, and personal and interpersonal development;

To: publish a newsletter, a journal, and a directory; maintaining an Internet web site, and disseminating information about person centered activities and organizations throughout the world.

And to: Perform other services and do other activities in support of these purposes.



Kathy Moon and her son in the 2002 ADPCA conference in Cleveland

BYLAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERSON-CENTERED APPROACH

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

The following words and terms, as used in these Bylaws of the ASSOCIATION for the DEVELOPMENT of the PERSON CENTERED APPROACH, an Illinois not for profit Corporation, shall, unless the context shall otherwise require, mean and be defined as:

- a) "Association": the aforesaid Corporation.
- b) "Membership": persons admitted to membership whose dues are currently paid acting through those members constituting a quorum at an authorized annual meeting.
- c) "Registered Office": that office maintained by the Association in this state, and the address which is on file with the Secretary of State.
- d) "Executive Committee": the duly elected officers for the current year.
- e) "Purpose": The purpose of this organization is stated in its Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE II

OFFICES AND REGISTERED AGENT

Section 1.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE The principal office of the Association shall be in Chicago, Illinois, and there may be such other offices as the Executive Committee shall designate.

Section 2.

REGISTERED OFFICE The registered office of the Association and the registered agent may, from time to time, be changed by the Executive Committee.

MEMBERS

Section 3.

ADMISSION OF MEMBERS Prospective individual adult Applicants shall be admitted upon compliance with the minimal admission procedures set by the Membership from time to time in accord with these Bylaws. Applicants for membership shall forward to the secretary a written application in such form as the Membership shall from time to time determine together with payment of initial dues according to the current dues schedule.

Section 4.

VOTING RIGHTS Each member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.

Section 5.

NO MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES No membership certificates of the Association shall be required.

Section 6.

CO-MEMBERS Two Applicants who reside together at the same address may apply for Co-Membership at the reduced dues rate. Co-Membership will entitle each to full voting membership and both one set of the mailings, the newsletters and the Journals.

Section 7.

INSTITUTIONAL SUBSCRIBERS Associations, organizations and institutions may apply to become Institutional Subscribers which will entitle them to receive the newsletter and journal.

Section 8.

PUBLICATIONS Members and Subscribers who have paid their dues shall receive the newsletter and Journal at no extra cost.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERS' MEETINGS

Section 1.

ANNUAL MEETING The annual meeting of the members shall be held on such dates and at such times and places as may be designated from time to time by the Membership at the Annual Conference. The meeting shall be for the purpose of electing Officers, setting the date and place for the next annual Conference, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

Section 2.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS The Annual Conference Committee may designate a place at or convenient to the place of the Annual Conference as the place of meeting each annual meeting. Meetings shall be held in two or three sessions during the Annual Conference and shall convene no earlier than 9 o'clock in the morning and shall adjourn prior to midnight.

Section 3.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of the meeting, shall be delivered to members registering for the annual conference on or before the registration day.

Section 4.

QUORUM Fifteen shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of members. In all meetings those present shall strive for consensus (unanimity). Unanimity shall be required for an act of the meeting to be an act of the members, unless there is an affirmative vote of three fourths of those present adopting a resolution wherein it is stated that the resolution is a necessary act of the Association to carry on the business of the Association.

Section 5.

NO PROXIES At meetings of members, no member may vote by proxy.

Section 6.

GENERAL POWERS The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by its Membership, except as is required by the applicable Not-for-Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation or these bylaws.

ARTICLE IV

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1.

POWERS The Executive Committee shall act as this Association's Executive Committee and shall have all of the authority and immunities accorded not for profit Boards of Directors in this state, except as reserved to the Membership and otherwise limited herein, shall carry out and execute the will of the Membership and accordingly shall:

- a) Manage the Corporate affairs of the Association, except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws.

b) Adopt a corporate seal as the seal of the Association.

c) Designate a banking institution or institutions as depository for the Association's funds, designate the officers authorized to make withdrawals therefrom, and execute obligations on behalf of the Association.

Section 2.

NUMBER The Executive Committee shall be three in number.

Section 3.

COMPOSITION The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers elected by the membership at the Annual meeting and they shall hold office for a term of one (1) year or until their successors shall have been elected.

Section 4.

MEETINGS Executive Committee meetings may be called at such times as the Chairperson or a majority of the Executive Committee shall elect. All meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held upon call of the Chairperson, who shall act as the presiding officer, or of a majority of the Executive Committee, and shall be held at the place designated in the call. Notice of such meetings may be given orally or in writing at least twenty- hours prior to the meeting. Notice shall be deemed waived by the Executive Committee in attendance. The Chairperson, with consent of the Board of Executive Committee, may establish regular meetings without notice other than the resolution consenting to such regular meetings.

Section 5.

QUORUM A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business of the Association.

Section 6.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST If an elected Executive Committee member has a financial interest in any item under consideration, they must identify that in-

terest and refrain from voting on that item.

Section 7.

TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION Executive Committee members and committee members, may participate in and act at any meeting of the Membership or Executive or other committee through the use of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Participation in such meeting shall constitute attendance and presence in person at the meeting of the person or persons so participating. A signature transmitted by facsimile transmission shall be acceptable for all purposes.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Section 1.

NUMBER The officers of the Association shall be a chairperson, a treasurer, and a secretary, and such assistant treasurers, assistant secretaries, or other officers as may be elected or appointed by the Membership. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person except the offices of chairperson and secretary.

Section 2.

ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Membership at each annual meeting of members. Each officer shall hold office until his/her successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his/her death or until he/she shall resign or shall have been removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.

Section 3.

CHAIRPERSON The chairperson shall be elected from among the members. He/she shall be the Chairperson of the next annual conference committee, and

he/she shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee and convene the annual meeting of the Membership. He/she may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer, any documents authorized by the membership or shall be required by law to be signed or executed. He/she shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the membership.

Section 4.

TREASURER If required by the Membership, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his/her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Membership shall determine. He/she shall:

- a) Have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Association; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Association from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the Association in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws;
- b) In general perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Membership or by the Executive Committee.

Section 5.

SECRETARY The secretary shall:

- a) Keep the minutes of the members' and of the Executive Committee's meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose;
- b) See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law;
- c) Be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Association and see that the seal of the Association is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Association under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws, and the seal may be attested by his sig-

nature;

- d) Keep a register of the post-office address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member;
- e) In general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or the Membership.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

Section 1.

STANDING The Membership, by resolution may designate and appoint one or more committees each of which shall consist of one or more members, which committees shall have and exercise the authority conferred in such resolution (Standing Committees)

There shall be the following Standing Committees:

- Membership
- Newsletter
- Journal
- Annual Conference
- Web Site
- Others as established by resolution

Section 2.

AD HOC The Membership, by resolution may establish Ad Hoc Committees.

Section 3.

TERM OF OFFICE Committee members shall serve for the life of the committee or until removed. Committee members may be removed by the same authority that appointed them.

Section 4.

CHAIRPERSON AND REPORTER One member of each committee shall be appointed chairperson by the