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#### 2004 Board Certification Examination Sites

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The ATCB is pleased to announce that the 2004 Board Certification Exam will be held at six sites this year. The 2004 BC exam is scheduled for Saturday, November 13, 2004 from 9am-1pm. The exam sites are as follows:

San Diego, CA	The Westin Horton Plaza	0401
Minneapolis, MN	University of Minnesota	0402
Richmond, VA	J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College	0403
Lubbock, TX	Texas Tech University	0404
Edison, NJ	Middlesex County College	0405
Milwaukee, WI	University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee	0406

The exam application is now available on the website at <a href="https://www.atcb.org">www.atcb.org</a>. The cost of the exam is \$235.00. The deadline for submission of your application for the exam is September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004. There will be a late registration period that runs from October 1<sup>st</sup> through October 14<sup>th</sup>. The exam fee for registering during the late registration period is \$260.00. Remember, you must currently hold the ATR to be eligible to sit for the Board Certification Exam. Please feel free to contact the National Office at 1-877-213-2822 if you have further questions regarding the Board Certification Exam.

## **Continuing Education Update**

This is the last year that ATR-BCs may take the Board Certification Exam as part of the Continuing Education requirements. If you plan to use the Exam for your future recertification requirement, please sign up for the Board Certification Exam for 2004. This option will not be available in 2005. The date for the Board Certification Exam is November 13, 2004.

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### REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT: Anita Mester, ATR-BC

I feel fortunate to be serving on such a talented, thoughtful board. As credential holders, you are well represented. We board members share with you the joys and frustrations inherent in our chosen profession. **Each of us, as did most graduates, began with and still dream of one thing - being the best art therapist possible.** 

A new "dream" must be added, though – to be employable. The climate has shifted to one in which most art therapists must be licensed to hold positions in their states. We recognize that in most states it will be coursework which will qualify art therapists to sit for licensing exams. We applaud AATA's initiative to add strength to required coursework so that graduates can demonstrate readiness and be allowed to sit for state licensure exams.

Although we have never promoted the BC as a ticket to licensure, but rather a recognition of competency in our field, recently there have been some exciting opportunities for the BC to link art therapists to licensing. For example, New York State, after reviewing 4-5 specialty exams, is considering the successful completion of our BC test as qualification for licensure.

The ATCB is working hard to develop formulas for each state for the recommended path to licensure and board certification. We welcome art therapists from any background, including social work, education, marriage and family, and counseling. Meanwhile, I encourage you to hold tight to the dream we all began with – to be the best art therapists we can be and to educate the public about our worth as board certified professionals.

#### **Inside the 2004 AASCB Conference**

Anita Mester and Joan Phillips attended the American Association of State Counseling Boards' Annual Conference January 8-10, 2004. Approximately 100 people participated in the conference and there were representatives from at least 30 state counseling boards.

The Conference format included training workshops, general sessions, concurrent presentations, and a business meeting. The opening plenary session was devoted to issues of portability and this was followed by a question and answer session on this subject the following day. Other topics addressed in general or concurrent sessions included supervision, continuing education, ethics, testing and research. A CACREP panel presentation addressed "The Current State of Counselor Identity" and remarks were made both in favor of and against exclusion of allied mental health professionals in the counselor licensing process. Anita Mester made a statement on behalf of art therapists that suggested diversity in training and specialization strengthened the counseling profession. Her comments appeared to be well received by the audience and panel members.

On Friday afternoon, Joan and Anita presented a session on "Restrictive or Open? The Pros and Cons of Licensure for Allied Professionals".

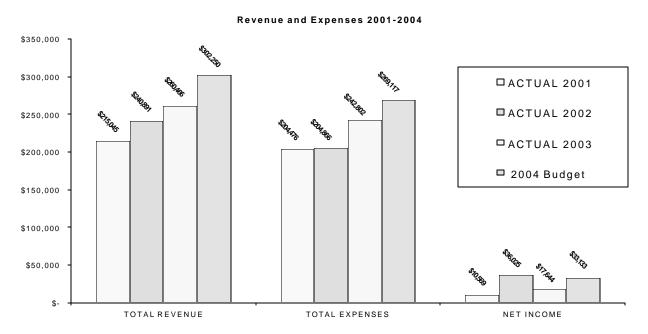
Attendees were given handouts from the ATCB and information gleaned from AATA sources regarding art therapists licensed as counselors in the states. The session was informative, and structured so that board members would be better equipped to understand equivalency issues as to art therapy applicants. Their presentation also provided information showing how various states have allowed for the inclusion of art therapists in licensure laws.

During the business meeting on Saturday, members of the AASCB voted to approve development of a credentials bank. This registry or "bank" is designed to facilitate licensed counselors' movement between AASCB member states (portability). The credential bank will be a service whereby licensed counselors may deposit with AASCB, for a fee, information about their educational preparation, supervised experience, examination performance, continuing education, and work history. The bank will operate on a two-tier system reflecting the different levels of education, supervision and work experience of each registrant. The bank process will in no way replace any method states currently use to determine eligibility of an experienced candidate for licensure in their state but hopefully will offer states and candidates an alternative which could streamline the process.

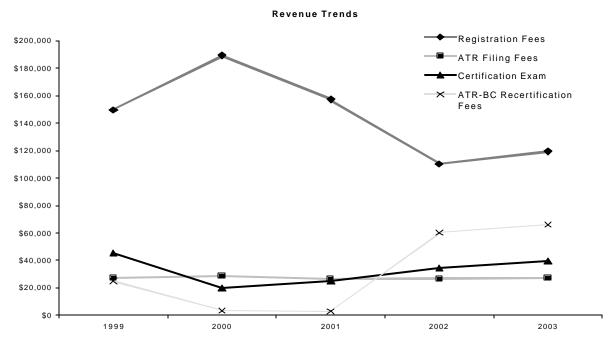
## **Report of the ATCB Treasurer**

## Chris Strang, ATR-BC

The ATCB continues to maintain a firm financial footing. Overall, the ATCB's income shows steady growth. This growth is strong enough to offset increases in expenditures. The table below shows the total revenue vs. total expenses for the past 3 years, in comparison with the 2004 budget.



The following chart is an ongoing look at revenue trends from 1999 through 2003. The income from ATR filing fees has remained steady, while the revenue from exam fees is showing a gradual trend upward. The drop in ATR maintenance fees (registration fees) seen in 2001 and 2002 appears to have leveled off. More interestingly, the ATR maintenance and ATR-BC maintenance fees trends appear to interact with one another. One possible interpretation is that the ATR-BC holds value such that art therapists are choosing to maintain the ATR-BC, rather than letting the BC lapse and maintaining only the ATR. This interpretation is supported by the slight upward trend in income from the exam.



# New ATRs (November 2003- June 2004)

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Carole Gauthier Lancon Deann Acton Katherine O'Doherty Dorolyn Alper Molly Greece Etsuko Okamoto Monica Aranibar Irini Gregoriou Theresa Okunowski Andrea Grumbine Denise Pavich Mindy Arce Darcy Perotto Maureen Baddour Moses Marisa Guglietta Diane Bernstein Sarah Hamil Lisa Phillips

Susanne Bifano Sally Jo Hand Greenwalt Karen Pollock
Wendi Lea Boettcher Joan Hawkins Holly Queen-Daugherty
Rachel Bowman Beverly Henes Adriana Ethel Rabinovich

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Elissa Bromberg Darlene Jackson Megan Robb
Baerbel Buchelt Jean Joslin Johanna Rosenfield
Cynthia Carlson Joanna Kabat Merryl Rothaus

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Susan Casper Rita Lynn Kanareff Beth Rubin
Megan Charney Johanna Kane Elizabeth Sanders

Carrie Coblentz

Diane Kearns

Libby Schmanke

Nadine Cohen

Lisa Kiefer

Suzanne Seligson

Kim Coleman Deinzer

Hee Sun Kim

Julie Shannon

Teresa Connell

Christina Kittstein

Amy Sloboda

Lourie Davis

Christopher Krymski

Christina Smith

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Yoko Dizon Christine Makarewicz Anakela C Washington

Eileen Druckenmiller Melissa Marks Tracy Williams
Robin Ettinger Lisa Martinelli Amy Williams
Jennifer Fields-Ferris Erica Maxion Heather Williams
Sylma Fine Lois Merrill Stephanie Wise
Rebecca Fischer Julie Nearing Kim Wisniewski

Grace Frantilla Mary Newhouse Adrienne Yurinko
Reiko Fujisawa John Norris

Margaret Nowak

Linda Gates



# *New ATR-BCs (2004)*

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Kelly Adams Jodie Godfrey Dorit Netzer Diane Goergen Cindy Nelson Mary Aitken Kari Oppegard Jodi Goldberg Nancy Andrews Deborah Green Jeanette Pailas Jennifer Arena

Donna Grote Susan Paradise Goodman Tracy Arnold-Warzer

Jennifer Hacker Paige Asawa Bagan Kate Perryman Utahna Hancock Shari Racut Barbara Dora - Margaret Ball Trina Rahm Melissa Hill Tanaz Barzideh

Kathleen Richards-Peal Mickie Hoffman Tessa Bird

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Margaret Cappi Lang Comba Carol Steffl Selby Conrad Ronald Paul Michael Henry Stella Ann Stepney Beth Conway

Daniel Summer Joy DeNicola Lay Seungveon Lee Jessica Swenson Janina Diaz Solari

Janiece Leuschke Darcie Michelle Taggart Tracy Doran

Lisa Lonergan Sarah Thacker Catherine Dubaillou Amy Lounsbury-Enk Natalie Tharp Vered Duitz

Krista Machovina Tiffany (Wen-Fang) Tsai Juanita Duran-Wilson

Dina Marie Marabello Maria Vinton Susan Endes Joanna Wallace Hoda Mazloomian Arlene Esgar Mary McCarthy Celeste Walls Drena Fagen Ann McCullough McKaig Jill Wargolet Lisa Fairbanks Sonia Mercado Jenny Warren Melinda Fedorko

Diane Metviner Fetherston Stefani Weeden Jessica Fox Roberta Wentzel-Walter Lena Friedman Sylvia Mongold Cynthia Murphree Kealey Anne Williams Jennifer Frisbie Catherine Murray Stefanie Workman Tabitha Fronk **Brian Myers** Lisa Yeats Thomas Heather Genovese Giddings

Jeanne Zilske

# 2004 Recertified ATR-BCs

The ATR-BC must be renewed every 5 years. This process involves completing 100 hours of continuing education in the area of art therapy. Recertifying one's board certification is a noteworthy accomplishment because it denotes a certain level of dedication and continuous commitment to the field.

Approximately 136 ATR-BCs are scheduled to recertify in 2004. The information below is reflective of certificants who recertified before July 1st, 2004. These certificants are officially entitled to continue to use their ATR-BC status for another 5 years. We appreciate your continued dedication to the art therapy field. Congratulations!

Susan Tritell Judith Wald Janice Helfand Gordon Neale Lena Marder Catherine Davenport-Uno Sr. Kathleen Burke Vanita Tarplev Michaele Barsnack Carbery Neal Terry Johnston Vicky Dorn-Fontana Jeanne Creekmore Sammie Goodwin Marjorie Seylar Beverly Maddox Deborah Kann Nelson Cassandra Colson Patricia Crosthwait Elizabeth Knight Diana Milia Rebecca Ragle

Mary Daniels

Diane Meros Eunice Reidy **Emily Endreson** Margaret Beresford Susan Andruk Barbara Pagon Susan Jacobsen **Doreen Landes** Carol McLeod Cheri Epstein Naomi Berkowitz Carol Pfunke Nancy Accola Natalie Carlton Heidi Hobart-Ferraro Lynda Hagen Anne Stewart Robert Tankslev Kate Strazisar Bethanne Friedmann Daniel Blausev Marygrace Berberian

Katherine Leonard Susanna Gray Lund Joyce Ogden Patricia Waters Antoinette Geraci Estela Garber Gwen Sanders Michaela Kirby Rose Marie Conway Lynn E. Flint Widdifield Sondra Radcliffe France-Marie Haeger Elizabeth Buist Vivian Banish Jennifer Whitten Karen Wallace Maria Alinea-Bravo Denise Stott Beverly Mastropolo Elvse Miller Cinnamon Weaver Deborah Adler

Jett Sarachek

## **ATCB E-mail**

The ATCB is continually striving to enhance our communications with our certificate holders. As part of this ongoing process, the ATCB is planning to utilize more email correspondence with certificate holders. This allows the certificate holder to receive important information faster and also helps to cut our administrative costs. If you have not provided the ATCB with your email address, please consider submitting your address to us. The ATCB does not share email addresses with third party organizations, so your email information is protected. You may send your email address to us at <a href="mailto:atcb@nbcc.org">atcb@nbcc.org</a>. As always, the ATCB will still be providing regular mailings throughout the year.

## **ATRs Missing In Action**

If you have friends or colleagues that say they have not heard from the ATCB or that they have not received a copy of the ATCB Review, please have them call us at 877-213-2822 to let us know. We do our best to keep in contact with all ATRs, but this is not always possible, as some may move and forget to send us a forwarding address.

# **Call for Nominations**

The ATCB Nominating Committee seeks interested and qualified nominees for the ATCB Board of Directors for a two-year term (beginning in odd-numbered years). Applicants will be considered for two positions on the board. The deadline for nominations is August 7<sup>th</sup>.

You may submit your own name or a colleague's name for consideration as a nominee. The following instructions and guidelines are provided to help you with your submission:

- 1. When submitting the name of a colleague (or your own name):
  - a. Obtain the nominee's consent to run.
  - b. Fill out bottom of this letter and mail to the National Office. A Nomination Application will be sent to each nominee.
  - c. The deadline for receipt of application is August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. Keep the following criteria in mind when considering well-qualified individuals for nomination:
  - a. Only ATCB credentialed individuals may be considered.
  - b. Must be available and willing to serve for two-years.
  - c. Prior experience on an ATCB or AATA board, committee, or special project preferred.

Nominee's Name:	ATR-BC# (if known):	
Nominated by: NameAddress:		
City/State/ZipPhone#		
**I am nominating this individual because		
(**optional)		

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# \*\*Important Notice\*\*

Please remember that the ATCB Option D application (Exceptional application) is no longer available as of July 1, 2004.

# In the Next ATCB Review:

- Newly certified ATR-BCs
- ATCB welcomes new members to the Board of Directors
- ♦ Information on the New Employer Brochure

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