

Religious Education Credentialing Committee Annual Report

The goal of the RE Credentialing Committee is to create and oversee the RE Credentialing program and grant credentials to worthy candidates. The mentoring process associated with RE credentialing is overseen by LREDA.

The Committee is made up of: chair: Jan Devor, 3 lay people: Russ Araujo, Kathryn Warrior, Steve Lynn, and 1 MRE: Rev. Linda Olsen Peebles, 1 LREDA representative: Tandy Scheffler, 1 parish minister: Rev. Randy Becker

Also in attendance at meetings have been Paula Welling as recording secretary and at the April candidate's meeting Benette Sherman was the Credentialed Observer. Sarah Lammert is Executive Secretary. With Paula Welling retirement in April of 2011, Christann Spiegel will become the RE/Music Credentialing Assistant.

Donna Harrison is the Board of Trustees Liaison to the RE Credentialing Committee

The credentialing program has credentialed 73 people. 10 Candidates were interviewed in April of 2011. There are currently 36 candidates in the program with 8 so far scheduled for appearance before the committee next April. The 2012 interview week will be the first week in May.

In October of 2011 the Director of the program was let go by the UUA and responsibilities were picked up by the chair of the committee, the program assistant and UUA staff until the time in July of 2011 when a new director will be appointed. This was a stressful time but was deftly handled by one and all.