

ACA, New England Program Innovation Committee

Objective:

To provide leadership and direction for ACA, New England's year-round calendar of educational and professional development offerings (outside of the New England Camp Conference). Committee members will guide and advise ACA, New England staff on program development and innovation.

Role of Education Committee:

- Innovation: Facilitate discussions about program priorities for the full board of directors and members of ACA, New England.
- Program development: Oversight of new program development; monitor and assess existing programs.
- Schedule: Works with ACA, New England staff to make suggestions to help build out a robust year-round calendar of offerings to reach a wide range of camp professionals.
- Community connection: Reaches out to colleagues in the camp and youth development field to promote upcoming events.
- Evaluation: Initiate and guide program evaluations. Work with staff to determine how to incorporate input from evaluations into the program calendar.

Composition:

- 6-8 individuals who reflect the diversity of the camp community ACA, New England serves.

Time Commitment and Expectations:

- Three to four 90-minute Zoom meetings (video calls) each year, between September and May.
- Additional meetings/calls or time commitments may be added as needed to complete the required work within a reasonable time frame, as set jointly with the committee and ACA, New England staff.
- Committee members should plan to participate in a minimum of two professional development offerings throughout the year. Roles at the event will range depending on need, but could include help with set-up/registration, facilitating or moderating, or simply being a participant.

Resources:

- Chair – Joanna Lenahan, Vice President, ACA New England Board
- Staff – Kerry Salvo, Director of Programs & Strategic Partnerships