

Spring 2014 conference Update for Jan 11th DEC meeting by Conference Chair Susan McClure

The contract for the Spring 2014 conference was signed November 7th. The conference will be held from May 16th through the 18th at the Hilton San Antonio Airport.

53 people registered for the Spring Conference during the Fall Conference weekend for a total of \$5,830. If you are wondering why the initial conference registration rate was \$10 higher than it has been in the past, that is because meal prices have risen. Meal prices are the single most expensive cost of holding a conference. All meeting space rentals have been comped for us by the hotel.

Four out of six conference committee chairs are in place. I am still in need of a fund raising committee chairperson and a program committee chairperson. Please let me know if you know of anyone to fill these roles. The first monthly conference committee meeting will be held later this month.

By the next DEC meeting, educational sessions will be in place, meals will be selected, conference promotions will be going strong; I would appreciate all DEC members helping with the promotion of the conference too.

Our hotel block is open until April 18th and can be accessed through the district website; we have a room commitment of 25 rooms per night for a total of 50 rooms.