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### **ACPA BYLAW CHANGE EXTENDS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

Washington, D.C.—November 30, 2009— ACPA-College Student Educators International is pleased to announce a recent bylaw change to extend full ACPA membership privileges to student affairs professionals, working in the for-profit and non-profit sectors of higher education. This change is groundbreaking and unprecedented among higher education associations.

Over the past 20 years, many organizations and companies have established themselves as considerable stakeholders in the higher education arena. As a result, they have assumed positions of responsibility in many of the higher education associations and are recognized as leaders in the network of campus service providers.

This membership bylaw change recognizes many of our corporate members, whose contributions provide significant value and support through partnerships with higher education institutions and professional associations. Employees of ACPA corporate partners such as the American Campus Communities, Allen & O'Hara Education Services, On Campus Marketing ARAMARK, and StudentVoice will be able to join as general members. This change is effective January 4, 2010.

ACPA warmly welcomes these practitioners and scholars into our membership and deeply appreciate their tremendous contributions that have improved the quality of life, enhanced professional development opportunities, and supported student development outcomes on campuses throughout the world.

**About ACPA—College Student Educators International:**

American College Personnel Association (ACPA), headquartered in Washington, D.C. at the National Center for Higher Education, is the leading comprehensive student affairs association that advances student affairs and engages students for a lifetime of learning and discovery. ACPA, with almost 9,000 members, supports and fosters college student learning through the generation and dissemination of knowledge, which informs policies, practices and programs for student affairs professionals and the higher education community.