ACREC July 30-31, 2013 Meeting Overview:

- ACREC agreed to join the National Black Presbyterian Caucus (NBPC) in requesting the PCUSA to endorse the statement on the George Zimmerman trial from the United Church of Christ (UCC).

- ACREC agreed to write a letter to Linda Valentine and Gradye Parsons thanking them for their part in not using the Hyatt Hotel for lodging at the 2013 Big Tent.

- Had a discussion with Rev. Nancy Benson-Nicol, Associate for Gender and Racial Justice regarding several events at the 2013 Big Tent that pertain to gender and racial justice ministries.

- ACREC agreed to send a letter to Linda Valentine, Gradye Parsons, and Neal Presa indicating that they failed to include race and justice in their response letter to the Trayvon Martin verdict.

- ACREC held a discussion with Christine Hong, Associate for Theology, Interfaith Office of Theology and Worship. She indicated that the previous focus of her office was ecumenical bodies. Now the focus is congregational and presbytery education.

- ACREC held a discussion with Charles Wiley, Coordinator of Theology and Worship in which he reviewed the process thus far with the Christian and Jews Paper and the Being Church Together Initiative.