all of these together, you will have two or three possible frames for communicating about quality rating systems. Remember, frames have consequences for how people reason about the information, so be sure to test your new frames to determine whether people are reasoning about the information in the way you intended.

There is no magic bullet to effective communications. Instead our challenge is to work hard to understand the frames currently in use, as well as develop new frames that help people reason about early childhood development more appropriately. Babies are excellent examples of communication in action. Now it's our turn to implement these lessons on framing and **Be a Voice for Babies**!

References

- Bales, S.N. (2002). Framing Public Issues. Washington, DC: FrameWork Institute.
- Electronic reference formats recommended by FrameWorks Institute & The Annie E. CaseyFoundation, Knowledge Center. Bales, S.N. (2003) A Five Minute Refresher Course in Framing.

Gilliam, F.D. & Bales, S.N. (2004). Framing Early Childhood Development: Strategic Communications and Public Preferences.
In N. Halton, T. Rice & M. Inkelas (Eds.) *Building State Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Series* (p 4), No.
7. Location: National Center for Infant and Early Childhood Health Policy. Retrieved January 17, 2006 from <u>http://www. healthychild.ucla.edu/NationalCenter/ default.asp.</u>

Tannen, D. (Ed.) (1993). *Framing in Discourse* (pp.20-21). New York: Oxford University Press.

The FrameWorks Institute, <u>http://www.</u> <u>frameworksinstitute.org</u>.

Dear WAIMH Members

Although the general wellbeing globally increases, the infants and their families suffer in many situations, in many countries and in many ways. For succeeding in its goals to help infants worldwide, WAIMH needs now a valuable contribution from all of you. Every member of WAIMH has received an email concerning Board Member Nominations.

The email included a Call for Nominations from the President of WAIMH Antoine Guedeney and a Nomination form for WAIMH Board of Directors. Now you have a possibility to nominate candidates for three new members of the Board of Directors of WAIMH for the term 2009-2012. The nominee must be a member of WAIMH and willing to serve WAIMH in promoting the wellbeing of infants worldwide. So we need three active, enthusiastic, dynamic and innovative infant mental health researchers or clinicians to work in the Board of Directors of WAIMH.

If anyone has any kind of problems with opening of the nomination materials, please, contact Minna Sorsa here in WAIMH Finland Office (waimh@uta.fi).

Pälvi Kaukonen Executive Director

Minna Sorsa Administrative Assistant FROM THE KAUPPI CAMPUS

ector RENEW Assistant YOUR MEMBERSHIP AT www.waimh.org

September-December 2008