

Executive Committee
Fall Meeting
September 23, 2007



Renaissance Seattle Hotel
Seattle, Washington

**MINUTES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Summer Meeting
July 11-13, 2007
Williamsburg Lodge
Williamsburg, Virginia**

1.0 Call to Order

President (2007-08) Angela Maynard Sewall, Dean, College of Education, University of Arkansas at Little Rock called the meeting to order. Members present were:

President Elect (2007-08) and Region VI Representative (2006-09)
Susan Meyers, Dean, College of Education, San Jose State University

Region II Representative (2005-08)
Cathy Barlow, Dean, Watson School of Education, University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Region IV Representative (2006-09)
Mary Otto, Dean, School of Education and Human Services, Oakland University

Region III Representative Elect (2007-10)
Lucian Yates, III, Chair, Education & Human Services, Kentucky State University

Executive Secretary & Treasurer (Ex-Officio)
Bennett Berhow

2.0 Review of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

3.0 Minutes

3.1 Approval of New York, NY, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Meyers/ Barlow moved approval of the summary of the minutes with the correction of the spelling of Lucian Yates' first name. Motion approved.

Otto/Barlow moved approval of the minutes with the correction of the spelling of Lucian Yates' first name. Motion approved.

3.2 Review of New York, NY, Business Meeting Minutes

The minutes were reviewed.

4.0 President's Report

- Sharon Robinson, AACTE President & CEO, wants joint executive committee meetings of the dean alike groups once, maybe twice, a year. She will have conversations with the presidents of the dean alike groups.
- A letter to HBCUs, as a follow up to meeting with HBCU representatives at the New York AACTE meeting, inviting them to join TECSCU was composed. The letter was mailed by the Executive Secretary.
- The question of how to connect to Latino affiliated institutions such as Texas State University – San Marcos was raised. Should HBCU, Latino, and Tribal affiliated representation be established on the Executive Committee? How would we invite them to give voice to their concerns and to improve the quality of the TECSCU voice? How might we establish partnerships that improve the learning of all in the partnership?

5.0 Members' Reports

Each member reported on issues in each member's state.

6.0 Discussion of Selected Reading

An Elusive Science: The Troubling History of Educational Research was discussed.

7.0 AACTE Governmental Relations Committee Representative's Report

- The AACTE Day on the Hill was attended by 74 universities from 28 states. It was a fabulous opportunity to spread the teacher education message. The staff of many legislators attended the reception following the briefing of participants. AACTE selected four speakers who addressed funding issues including pipeline, clinical experience, induction, and in-service issues.
- AACTE has talking points that are used to lobby congress. Do the AACTE talking points represent TECSCU?

- Representative George Miller's recommendations for changes to NCLB/ESEA reauthorization were discussed.
- It was recommended that communications from TECSCU members should identify TECSCU membership.

8.0 Executive Secretary's Report

Since the New York meeting, the following was completed on behalf of TECSCU:

- Completed IRS form 990-EZ, Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax and filed the form with the IRS by the May 15, 2006 deadline. A copy of the completed form and a copy of the final 2006 budget were sent to all Executive Committee members.
- Published the spring newsletter and mailed five copies of the newsletter to each institutional representative.
- At President Sewall's request, obtained an NCATE mailing list of historic black colleges and universities (HBCU) that was updated by President Sewall's staff. President Sewall composed a letter inviting HBCU institutions not currently TECSCU members to join TECSCU and the letter, an invoice, and information form were mailed to the dean, director, or chair of education on the mailing list.
- Sent the current information on membership on the Executive Committee, with pictures, as published in the newsletter, to the web master for inclusion on the current web site. The new web site is completed except for the members only section. I will meet with the web master next week regarding the members only section. The remainder of the web site will be updated after the new web site is on line.
- Obtained Blanket Employee Dishonesty Bond insurance that was issued to TECSCU in the amount of \$175,000 with a \$500 deductible for an annual premium of \$250 as insurance against theft by any member of the Executive Committee.
- Made final arrangements for the summer Executive Committee meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia.
- Signed a contract with the Marriott Plaza San Antonio for the fall conference for October 12-14, 2008. The Marriott Plaza has recently been remodeled and is two blocks from the Riverwalk.

9.0 Financial Report

The 2007 financial report as of July 1, 2007, showed an income of \$52,642.41 as compared to a budgeted income of \$77,300.00; expenses of \$27,03.14 as compared to budgeted expenses of \$93,250.00; \$47,313.56 in the money market account, \$38,983.88 in the checking account; \$67,049.81 (estimate) in certificates of deposit; and a balance of \$153,347.25. Meyers/Yates moved approval of the report. Motion approved.

10.0 Membership Report & Recruitment

The membership report was reviewed. Regional representatives asked to receive a list of institutions that are sent a 2007 renewal reminder. The excel file for each region listing those who have paid and those who have not paid are to be emailed to the regional representative of the region. Renewal reminders will be sent to all institutions that have not yet paid their 2007 dues.

11.0 Nomination Committee

Potential nomination committee members and potential candidates for Region I Representative and Region II Representative were identified. The names are to be forwarded by the Executive Secretary to Sam Evans, TECSCU Past President, who will chair the Nomination Committee.

12.0 Conference/Meeting Planning

12.1 Fall 2007 Seattle

The meeting will be at the Renaissance Seattle Hotel, September 23-25. Program ideas and possible presenters were identified and discussed.

12.2 Winter 2008 New Orleans

Arrangements for the meeting have not yet been requested by AACTE.

12.3 Summer 2008 To Be Determined by Meyers

12.4 Fall 2008 San Antonio

The meeting will be at the Marriott Plaza San Antonio, October 14-18.

12.5 Winter 2009 Chicago

12.6 Summer 2009 To Be Determined

12.7 Fall 2009 To Be Determined

13.0 Selecting Governmental Relations Committee Representative

Otto/Meyers moved approval of Michael Miller, Dean, College of Education, Minnesota State University, Mankato as the TECSCU representative on the AACTE Governmental Relations Committee. Motion approved.

14.0 Audit Committee Selection

The Audit Committee that will meet in New Orleans to audit the 2006 TECSCU financial records will be Cathy Barlow, Chair, Lucian Yates, and a new regional representative to be elected in region I or II.

15.0 AACTE Membership & AACTE Request

If AACTE requests that membership in AACTE be a condition of membership in TECSCU, the request will be declined.

16.0 Partnering with Other Institutional Types & AACTE

Partnering with AACTE, HBCUs, institutions with a significant Latino student population, and Native American institutions was discussed. Partnering would be sought to enhance the quality preparation of educators with a special focus on teaching.

17.0 Affiliation of Two Year Institutions

A discussion of affiliation will be for another agenda.

18.0 Commitment Points

At the New York business meeting, the TECSCU commitment points were approved with the Executive Committee being directed to make some minor revisions. The following commitment points include the revisions and are ready for publication.

1. As TECSCU institutions, we are deeply committed to the highest quality educational preparation – only those who are fully prepared are licensed from our programs.
2. We believe in the power of good teaching in order to continue to strengthen the individual and society.
3. As TECSCU, we strive always to be institutions that provide the opportunity for diverse populations of students to access higher education and to enter the teaching profession as outstanding professionals committed to PreK – 12 learning.
4. We assure the application of high standards and multiple criteria for student success for eligible students within our regions no matter their backgrounds or needs.

5. We are committed to PreK – 16 learning based in the belief that “good enough is not enough.” We are committed to excellence in our candidates and in the learning achievement of their students; mediocrity is not acceptable.

6. The basis for TECSCU educational preparation is the demonstrable knowledge that the economic and social success of America has been created by public schools and that our ability to maintain a strong democracy is dependent on a strong public school system.

7. We are dedicated to continuing services to our graduates via professional development and excellent graduate programs as defined by districts, schools, teachers and our research based expertise.

19.0 Web Site Update

The new web site is complete except for the members-only section.

20.0 Compensation of Executive Secretary/Treasurer & Assistant

Otto/Meyers moved approval of an increase of 5% in the consultant payments to the Executive Secretary & Treasurer and assistant for this year, retroactive to January 1, 2007, and a 3% increase each year thereafter pursuant to evaluation. The increase is to be reviewed during each winter meeting of the Executive Committee. Motion approved.

Otto/Barlow moved approval of TECSCU paying the travel expenses to TECSCU conferences of the assistant to the Executive Secretary & Treasurer when assistance conducting the conference is provided. Motion approved.

21.0 Additional Items for the Good of the Order

None

22.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned