

TECSCU CONNECTIONS

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WINTER 2009 CONFERENCE

February 6 • Hyatt Regency Chicago

The TECSCU winter 2009 conference in conjunction with the AACTE conference will

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TECSCU's conference focus this year is advocacy and accreditation. The conference will provide participants with opportunities to interact and share ideas. A brief conference program follows

be on Friday, February 6, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, Chicago, Illinois in the Columbus AB room. Dr. Cathy Barlow, TECSCU President Elect and Dean, Watson School of Education, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, is planning the program.

which may be changed to accommodate program participants and facilities management. A program is also available on the TECSCU home page, <http://tecscu.org>, in the new postings area and will be updated as additional program information becomes available.

The conference pre-registration fee is \$100 and the pre-registration deadline is Friday, January 23, 2009. A conference pre-registration form is provided in this newsletter and is available on the TECSCU home page, <http://tecscu.org>, in the new postings area. Only requests for refunds of the pre-registration fee postmarked or

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Friday, February 6, 2009

7:30 am	Registration begins
7:30 am-8:00 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00 am-8:30 am	TECSCU Business Meeting
8:30 am-12:00 noon	Conference Program

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San Antonio Fall Conference Update

Advocacy with legislators was an emphasis at the San Antonio fall conference. Advocacy practices emphasized and discussed were: Collect, understand, and communicate the necessary data to make your case effectively • Focus your requests on strengths and needs that are widely understood • Develop advocacy networks that include the business community, K-12 and community college partners, alumni, parents, friends, and other partners • Develop talking points that are understandable and succinct written talking points to send to supporters and to leave behind during visits • Before legislative sessions, go to the capitol and meet with legislative leadership and, in between visits, call or send emails to thank members for their support • Consider legislative receptions in the capitol during the session, possibly in partnership with others • During sessions, communication must be timely and regular • Between sessions, pay attention to study commissions that help set the agenda for the next session • Involve legislators in campus activities • Consider visiting the hometowns of legislators and involving other administrators, alumni, and parents • and Send notes or electronic cards acknowledging key legislators' birthdays or accomplishments. Conference participants helped identify TECSCU talking points that will be refined and made available to the membership.



TECSCU ELECTIONS

President Elect Candidates

Paul Beare, Dean
Kremen School of Education
California State University Fresno

Dr. Beare is the TECSCU Region VI representative. He has worked in education for 30 years. He taught students with emotional disorders and learning disabilities, in a secondary level cross-categorical resource room, and as a Crises Teacher and project director in a K-12 program. At Minnesota State University Moorhead he founded the teacher training program in Educational and Behavioral Disorders and served as chair of two departments and Director of Teacher Education. Before accepting his current position, he was dean of education at Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah, Georgia. Current professional interests are focused on assisting P-12 schools as well as universities to respond to federal and state mandates and demands for accountability. Research interests include the management of severe maladaptive behaviors in school and community settings and the design of special education services in rural areas.



Larry G. Daniel
Dean, College of Education and
Human Services
University of North Florida

Dr. Daniel is the TECSCU Region II representative. He also serves as Chair of the Florida State University System's Deans of Education. He has an interest in accreditation issues, and serves regularly on joint state/NCATE accreditation review teams. His research interests include teacher education, educational reform, the use of statistics in published research, measurement issues, and middle grades education. He is the Co-Editor of Research in the Schools, a nationally/internationally refereed educational research journal. He is a present member of the Research Advisory Board of the National Middle School Association. He also serves as a member of the Special Interest Group Executive Committee and the Executive Board of the Research in Middle Grades Special Interest Group of the American Educational Research Association. He is a Past President of the Southwest Educational Research Association.



Region IV Candidates

Michael A. Miller
Dean, College of Education
Minnesota State University,
Mankato



Dr. Miller has served on numerous local, state and national boards and committees. He has been the TECSCU representative on the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education Governmental Relations Committee. Dr. Miller has experience as a high school math and physics teacher, school psychologist, and director of special education in public school systems in Indiana and Minnesota. He was a professor in public and private liberal arts institutions of higher education, a department chair and an associate dean. The College of Education at Minnesota State University, Mankato has developed nationally recognized mentoring and induction programs, creative models of providing professional and leadership development to schools and organizations, and initiated among the first doctoral programs in the Minnesota state system. Dr. Miller served as the Interim Vice President for University Advancement in 2007.

Kate Steffens
Dean, College of Education
St. Cloud State University



Dr. Steffens received her B.S. in Physical Education, M.S. in Adapted Physical Education, and Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from the University of Minnesota. She has served in a variety of capacities at St. Cloud State University including professor of special education, associate dean of the College of Education, director of assessment and accreditation, and interim associate vice president for academic affairs. Her professional interests include accreditation, assessment, and accountability. Dean Steffens served as the 2007 self-study coordinator for the Higher Learning Commission, and currently serves as an NCATE BOE Chair, team member, and consultant. In 2006, Dean Steffens was named one of the 100 most distinguished alumni, from the College of Education and Human Development at the University of Minnesota, at the "Inspiring Minds of the Century" Centennial Gala Celebration.

Region VI Candidates

Mary Susan Fishbaugh
Dean, College of Education
Montana State University
Billings



Dr. Fishbaugh completed degrees in elementary education (BA and MS) and special education (MS and EdS) from Indiana University. Her Doctor of Education degree in Educational Leadership was earned at the University of Houston. She has K-12 experience as a kindergarten, first grade, reading, special education, and secular studies teacher. She has administrative experience as a special education curriculum consultant, assistant principal, consultant for students with emotional disabilities, coordinator of a federally funded grant preparing special education teachers, director of field experiences, and department chair in addition to dean.

Patricia Manzanares-Gonzales
Dean, School of Education
Western New Mexico University



Dr. Patricia Manzanares-Gonzales, a native New Mexican, has 29 years of experience in education. Dr. Manzanares-Gonzales's research interests have been in curriculum and instruction, educational leadership, organizational behavior, and distributed/distance education. She is currently working on "A Study of Minority Participation on School Boards of Education and Factors Affecting International Exchanges and Academic Programs between Neighboring Countries." She is currently the Dean of the School of Education at Western New Mexico University in Silver City, New Mexico.

Election Instructions

The TECSCU Nomination Committee, chaired by Past-President Angela Sewall, Dean, College of Education, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, presents the candidates for consideration by the membership. Each TECSCU institutional Representative will be eligible to vote for President-Elect. Only Institutional Representatives from Region IV will vote for a Region IV candidate and only Institutional Representatives from Region VI will vote for a Region VI candidate. Results of the election will be announced during the TECSCU Winter 2009 conference in Chicago, Illinois, February 6.



REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS

The TECSCU Executive Committee approved, and announced to the membership at the San Antonio fall conference, the expenditure of up to \$10,000 for a research project. The request for proposals follows and is also available at <http://tecscu.org> under new postings.

The Teacher Education Council of State Colleges and Universities (TECSCU) is an organization committed to providing an education of excellence for the youth of America. It accepts the responsibility of helping to shape the future of education in this nation by the way its member institutions educate teachers and other education professionals. TECSCU member institutions rely upon it for policy development, direction and services to improve schooling at all levels.

In keeping with the mission of our organization to "help shape the future of education in this nation..." TECSCU intends to encourage research germane to the commitment of the members by supporting a research agenda designed to inform policy development, direction and services to improve schooling.

Funding

Up to \$10,000 is offered to the proposal that meets the following criteria:

1. Research designed to demonstrate the impact of teacher preparation in TECSCU institutions on teacher retention (with special attention to retention in high priority schools). Research designed to demonstrate the impact of teacher preparation in TECSCU institutions on K-12 student achievement (with special attention to student achievement in high priority schools);
2. Research conducted by a minimum of three TECSCU institutions across at least two states;
3. Research that is replicable;
4. Quality research design;
5. Research that yields results appropriate for generalization;
6. Research with potential for further study;
7. Research that can be conducted with a

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PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Title _____

Institution _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

LODGING

Hyatt Regency Chicago Phone: 888-591-1234
Chicago, Illinois

PAYMENT

Pre-registration deadline: January 23, 2009

Pre-registration fee: \$100

On-site registration: \$115

Make checks payable to TECSCU and send to:

Dr. Bennett F. Berhow Tel: 717-871-9608

TECSCU Treasurer Fax: 717-871-9346

1713 St. Philips Dr.

Lancaster, PA 17603

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President (2008-2009)

Susan Meyers

Dean, College of Education
San Jose State University

President-Elect (2008-2009)

Cathy Barlow

Dean, Watson School of Education
Univ. of North Carolina at Wilmington

Past President (2008-2009)

Angela Maynard Sewall

Dean, College of Education
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

AACTE Board Rep. (2007-2010)

Angela Maynard Sewall

Dean, College of Education
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

AACTE Board Rep. (2006-2009)

Sam Evans

Dean, College of Education & Behavioral Sciences
Western Kentucky University

Executive Secretary/Treasurer (Ex-Officio)

Bennett F. Berhow

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Region I (2008-2011)

Carol Sharp

Dean, College of Education
Rowan University

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Larry G. Daniel

Dean, College of Education & Human Services
University of North Florida

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Dean, College of Education
Indiana State University

Region IV (2006-2009)

Region V (2007-2010)

Jeanne Gerlach

Dean, College of Education
The University of Texas-Arlington

Region VI (2006-2009)

Paul Beare, Dean

Kremen School of Education & Human Development
California State University, Fresno

We encourage members to inquire about serving on the Executive Committee and other aspects of TECSCU. If interested, please contact President Susan Meyers at 408.924.3600 or susan.meyers@sjsu.edu.

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finished report appropriate for publication no later than July 2010; and

8. Feasibility (in terms of time line and researchers' experience and resources).

Proposals must include

1. A one page abstract;
2. Names of participating TECSCU institutions;
3. Names of participating researchers;
4. Project narrative, not to exceed 5 pages including project purpose/ questions, research design, data collection/analysis, potential for further replication/study and generalization;
5. Budget with narrative (one page); and
6. Researchers experience and resources.

Timeline

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| Oct. 2008 | Announce RFP |
| Feb. 2009 | Select panel of reviewers from TECSCU membership |
| June 1, 2009 | Proposal due to Susan Meyers |
| July 2009 | Award announced |
| July 2010 | Completed manuscript appropriate for publication submitted to TECSCU Board of Directors |

Proposal Submission

Submit the completed proposal by June 1, 2009, to:
Dr. Susan Meyers
Dean, Connie L. Lurie College of Education
San Jose State University
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA, 95192-0071
T: 408-924-3600, F: 408-924-3713
Email: Susan.Meyers@sjsu.edu

The Executive Committee nominated the following candidates to stand for election to the AACTE Board as a TECSCU representative.

Mary Gendernalik-Cooper
Dean, School of Education
Sonoma State University

Hal Knight, Dean
Clemmer College of Ed.
East Tennessee State Univ.