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From The President

As I turned my calendar to October, I noticed a 6-week run of professional activities, from two state conventions to the annual Mississippi Valley Conference to four TECA regional events around the nation. Naturally, it got me thinking about the unique relationship of CTTE with other professional organizations and associations. Have you ever thought about how our Council has support from or works collaboratively with other groups? Examples include:

* ITEA serves as the parent association in promoting the study of technology, innovation, design, and engineering (i.e., TIDE). They also provide facilities on-site at the annual international convention for CTTE functions, maintain membership services, host a page for Council information on their website, etc. Note: CTTE maintains one Board representative on the ITEA Board of Directors.
* ITEA-CS, the Council for Supervisors and CTTE have long co-hosted the Yearbook Dinner at the ITEA conference. Each group introduces their outstanding person-of-the-year at that event, and presents the award plaque to that professional.
* For decades, NAITTE and CTTE has disseminated a directory of industrial and teacher education faculty, a resource that serves as a "Who's Who" for campus programs.
* CTTE supports TECA activities in a number of ways, financially (i.e., providing funding for international student travel) and through the conducting of competitive events, professional meetings, and mentoring efforts.
* The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) has a Technology Education Division in its organizational structure. Members of ACTE-TE are often involved in teacher education activities through CTTE.
* The assessment of university and college programs falls under the review process linked to ITEA / CTTE / NCATE standards. NCATE conducts training sessions for program reviewers as part of the CTTE program at ITEA conferences.
* The National Science Foundation (NSF) maintains a special "position" related to technological literacy on their staff. The last few appointees have all been CTTE members, and have provided a needed spark in terms of grants development and support for the profession.
* ASEE, the American Society for Engineering Education has already established linkages for professional opportunities related to math, science, and engineering.

As these relationships suggest, CTTE has a long tradition of working with allied groups to "champion" the study of technology (a) at many levels and (b) with diverse audiences. In summary, please keep active in promoting a dynamic profession through CTTE and "other" involvement.

Richard D. Seymour

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Special thanks to Past President Michael De Miranda, as his CTTE position currently involves two major tasks . . . he is the chair of the elections committee, and continues to represent CTTE on the ITEA Board of Directors. And, all this while he serves as chair of the CTTE Yearbook Committee!

The Yearbook Committee Up-Date

The CTTE Yearbook Committee has been busy since late summer, trying to identify potential editors and authors who can work on topics of relevance to the Council. Please continue to contact Michael (details below) about working on prospective themes. The latest listing of topics include these themes:

* Creativity in Technology Education
* Research in Technology Education
* Leadership or Supervision in Technology Education
* Cognition and Instruction in Technology Education

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REMINDER

The Council's program of events for Salt Lake City is on the CTTE website, (www.ctteonline.org) and is posted on the conference page of the ITEA website at this URL: www.iteaconnect.org

CTTE Officer Team For 2007-2008

The CTTE executive team includes . . . .

PRESIDENT	Richard Seymour (Ball State University)
VICE PRESIDENT	Marie Hoepfl (Appalachian State University)
TREASURER	Brian McAlister (University of Wisconsin-Stout)
SECRETARY	Philip Reed (Old Dominion University)
PAST PRESIDENT	Michael De Miranda (Colorado State University)

Fall '07 Report To The ITEA Board of Directors

When the ITEA Board of Directors meet in the fall, they appreciate a report of activities from each affiliate council (TECA, ITEA-CS, et al). This list of accomplishments was submitted earlier this month, outlining a number of tasks in the works, or completed, all since the ITEA Board met last spring.

Major CTTE activities since the annual ITEA conference in Texas include . . . .

* Post conference activities were conducted following the '07 ITEA Conference in San Antonio, from the dissemination of CTTE meeting minutes to the approval of the Council's budget for 2007 / 2008.
* Started a monthly newsletter (from the President) which goes to the entire membership, called ONE FIVE (so named because it is distributed on the 15th of each month). Issues were forwarded through the CTTE listserve on the 15th of April, May, June, July, August, September, and October.
* The Council's program of events for Salt Lake City was finalized (and all media is in place on the ITEA conference webpage). Note: CTTE program submissions were screened using a process under the leadership of VP Marie Hoepfl, resulting in a referred program of presenters.
* The 2007 CTTE yearbook on ASSESSMENT IN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION, #56 in the series, was mailed to members mid-summer.
* The CTTE leadership development committee, headed by Bill Havice and Roger Hill, kicked-off year #2 of their co-hort program with the 21st Century Leadership Initiative in Washington, DC in September. Attendees met with officials from ITEA, NSF, etc.
* The current yearbook editors had a conference telephone call with Glencoe officials to cover formatting issues for the immediate issue and future publications.
* The copy (i.e., text) for the 2008 CTTE yearbook was forwarded to the printers in early September (the topic is ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION with Rod Custer and Tom Erekson, co-editors).
* A revised set of guidelines were posted (on our website) for identifying "outstanding" programs. Note: The review procedures had not been evaluated in years, and now feature a new level of rigor and professionalism.
* The executive team processed the submission of one monograph.
* Routine committee work has continued since the start of the academic years on most campuses, including recruiting / promotion, accreditation, yearbook, etc.
* The NCATE accreditation team processed 5 program reviews (starting this fall).
* The Council's website was re-launched in September at this URL: www.ctteonline.org
* The yearbook committee currently has four topics under evaluation, with two fairly solid proposals at hand.

Note: Sorry about any activities, committee assignments, etc. that are not included in this report. There is a lot going on, and it's almost impossible to keep tract of all efforts!