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From The President

This weekend is the end of Spring Break for those of us at Ball State University, and we have been enjoying an unusual (and welcomed) week "off". The ITEA conference typically aligns with our vacation week each spring, but with ITEA in mid-February this year . . . well, this has been a rather restful week.

As for CTTE, this is a good time to reflect on the events surrounding the Salt Lake City conference. ITEA and the Salt Lake City committee hosted an excellent conference, and they are to be congratulated for their efforts. It helps that the scenery and facilities in that part of the world are wonderful.

First, a huge THANK YOU to all who participated in Council activities in Utah. The special interest presentations, CTTE meetings, Yearbook Dinner, poster session, business meeting, and other events went smoothly at the 2008 conference.

My CTTE tasks started with the executive team meeting on Wednesday afternoon, and ended by my recognizing our "latest" Teacher-Educator-Of-The-Year recipient at the ITEA Awards Banquet on Saturday. A mere four flights and 14 hours later, I was back in Indiana.

For me, these three CTTE activities were among the true highlights of the conference . . . .

* One could feel the sense of professional accomplishment as the 2008 yearbook was presented to our Council (during the Yearbook Dinner). Thanks Rod and Tom!
* As Jim Haynie was introduced as the 2008 Teacher-Educator-Of-The-Year, the look on his face could only be described as "priceless". The tears were tears-of-joy.
* The CTTE committees worked late on Friday afternoon (some groups well past the supper hour), focusing on both assigned tasks and "new" challenges. The passion displayed by our chairs and committee members is impressive!

Again, thanks to all who participated in Council activities in Salt Lake City. With the new officer team now in place, we all pledge to continue the momentum into 2008 (and beyond).

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Council Activities @ 2008 ITEA Conference

A review of award recipients and related activities at the various CTTE functions in Salt Lake City includes:

1) Marie Hoepfl and Brian McAlister were recognized as out-going officers.

2) Representatives from the University of Maryland / Eastern Shore, the College of New Jersey, and the State University of New York / Oswego received award plaques for their institutions successfully completing an ITEA / CTTE / NCATE review this past fall.

3) Mark Sanders (Virginia Tech) was honored for his work as CTTE webmaster over the past decade.

4) The 2008 Council yearbook, *Engineering and Technology Education*, was officially introduced by co-editors Rod Custer and Tom Erekson. The co-editors and many chapter authors were present at CTTE / ITEA-CS Yearbook Dinner on Thursday evening.

5) W. James Haynie III (from North Carolina State University) was introduced as the Council's Technology-Educator-Of-The-Year for 2008.

6) The Silvius-Wolanski Award recipients were: de Vries, M, Custer, R., Dakers, J., & Martin, E. (Eds.) (2007) *Analyzing Best Practice in Technology Education*, Sense Publishers: Rotterdam.

7) Annually, the CTTE Research Committee funds one project . . . . this year's research award went to W. James Haynie.

8) Jerry Day hosted two ITEA / CTTE / NCATE workshops, one for writers and another for review of program materials.

9) Chris Merrill (Vice President) and John Wells (Treasurer) began their duties effective at the end of the Salt Lake City conference.

Richard Seymour (left, CTTE President) presents the Teacher-Educator-Of-The-Year plaque to W. James Haynie III at the CTTE Yearbook Dinner. Jim is an Assoc. Professor at North Carolina State University.

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Teacher Preparation Committee: Vincent Childress
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RANDOM NOTES FROM THE '08 CONFERENCE

* The facilities, meals, etc. in SLC were excellent (thanks to Susan Perry and the entire ITEA team).

* The featured speakers (at the General Sessions) were both outstanding!

* There were college students from approx. 20 schools in Utah (14 schools participated in TECA events)

* At the CTTE Business Meeting, the current membership totals were reported as 502 CTTE members (a total composed of 384 regular members, 88 life members, and 30 honorary life members).

* At the same meeting, Council assets were reported at $120,098.60

* Salt Lake City is a beautiful city, and mid-February is a great time to visit the area.

Need An Out-Of-Print Yearbook For A Methods Class?

If you would like to use an out-of-print CTTE yearbook in a class for Summer 2008, please contact me. I will compose a letter (with an official Council letterhead) that will allow you to go through a local professor-publishing outlet to reproduce materials for a collegiate course. There will not be a charge assessed by the Council for this up-coming academic term.

Note: We want teacher preparation students, of undergraduate and graduate status, to benefit from the materials included in previous CTTE yearbooks.

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Council On Technology Teacher Education / Strategic Plan

As Council work continues, coming out the meetings associated with the 2008 conference, all CTTE members should be reminded of the mission, goals, and strategic purpose of the organization . . .

Mission and Goals of the Council on Technology Teacher Education
The purposes of the CTTE, as stated in the organization's constitution are:

1. To support and further the professional ideals of technology education.
2. To define and strive to achieve the purposes and professional goals of technology teacher education, and to enlist the greatest possible number of people in this endeavor.
3. To stimulate research and the dissemination of information of professional interest.

As related to routine work of the Council, the Strategic Priorities are:

* **Technology Teacher Preparation Revitalization:** CTTE will revitalize technology teacher education programs by developing and showcasing new and innovative models for undergraduate and graduate curriculum program delivery and teacher certification.
* **Standards-based Curriculum Development**: CTTE will provide national leadership for the development and implementation of standards-based curriculum and a framework for including articulation with other disciplines.
* **Research and Scholarship**: CTTE will develop a research agenda to serve as a foundation for curriculum, program, and professional development as well as assessment through research and scholarship.
* **Marketing and Positioning**: CTTE will provide leadership in positioning and marketing technology teacher education to a variety of stakeholders.
* **Leadership Development**: CTTE will facilitate leadership development to advance and promote initiatives within the technology teacher education profession.