

**ArATE  
Board Meeting  
9/26/14**

*Members Present:* Jeff Longing, Ken Taylor, Freddie Bowles, Stephanie Pepper, Misty LaCour, Michael McManus, Aileen Watts, Tim Carter, Nancy Gallavan (guest)

- ◆ Meeting was called to order by ArATE President Jeff Longing. Jeff noted the conference excellence and how well it was administered.
- ◆ Freddie Bowles discussed hosting next year's conference at the University of the Ozarks. It would be September 24-25, 2015. There will be a Thursday night reception at 6:00 p.m. A panel was discussed as the best approach for Thursday night. Friday format will remain as it currently arranged. Freddie will pursue Shirley LaFever-Davis as the keynote speaker. The U of O President will hopefully welcome everyone. The theme will be discussed at the ArACTE spring conference on April 17 at Harding University. Mike McManus will explore the availability of facilities for the conference at U of O.
- ◆ The Mentor Teacher of the Year Award was discussed. It was noted that submissions had gradually decreased over the last 5 years. It was also noted that during this year and last year there were no submissions. Aileen Watts suggested that students be asked who their favorite mentor teacher is during internship and why to help shape field director's nominations.
- ◆ A need was noted to update the listserv of faculty of Colleges of Education for future communications.
- ◆ Nancy Gallavan (guest) discussed the need for Jeff and then Ken Taylor to submit the national award paperwork for the John Sikula Award as representatives of ArATE.
- ◆ Stephanie Pepper noted the potential need to revise the ArATE Travelers' Award to being a percentage of education faculty participating instead of actual numbers to allow for those universities with smaller numbers to have an opportunity to win the Travelers' Award. Discussion occurred concerning this possibility, but no decision or motion was made to change this process.
- ◆ Nancy updated the website information and the state journal. Adam Stone is our webmaster. The website is currently hosted on GoDaddy in order to keep it from becoming buried in a university web address. Nancy noted that the acceptance rate for the journal is 65%. She also noted the need for new reviewers for the journal. Misty LaCour volunteered to be a reviewer.
- ◆ Nancy discussed the tri-fold flyer she has created. She will send the flyer to others for them to distribute at their universities. Discussed adding information about ATE and SRATE on trifold based on a suggestion by Aileen Watts on the benefit; particularly for new faculty.
- ◆ A motion was made by Ken Taylor to allot \$1500 to Jeff Longing for travel reimbursement to the national ATE conference. Second by Freddie Bowles. Unanimous approval.
- ◆ A motion was made by Ken Taylor for Jeff Longing to be a delegate at the ATE Delegate Assembly. Mike 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous approval.
- ◆ Jeff made a motion to allot \$1500 for the executive secretary (Aileen Watts) to attend the national ATE conference and to appoint her to the delegate assembly. Ken 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous.
- ◆ Jeff made a motion to limit spending toward sending individuals to the national conference to 20% of the annual funds of the ArATE organization based on suggestions of Aileen. Discussion ensued concerning whether or not this year's \$3000 allotted would be within these bounds. It was concluded that they would be. Ken 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous.
- ◆ Nancy discussed the potential of holding SRATE in Arkansas in the next few years again (likely 2017). A determination was not made on this suggestion, and no motion occurred concerning this possibility.
- ◆ Ken made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michael 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous.
- ◆ Meeting adjourned.

These Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Carter  
Executive Secretary ArATE