

Winter Newsletter



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Message from the President

Now more than ever, it is important to stay connected to our peers and colleagues. Texas is increasing the accountability standards for teacher education with the Accountability System for Educator Preparation now including candidate and principal evaluations, compliance rates for su-

pervision visits, and the value added metric. As the new system becomes fully implemented in the next few years, we need to share insights and discussions about the impact of the changes on our programs and candidates. I hope TxATE will be your voice. In the coming months, we

will have opportunities to talk at ATE's national conference in February and our summer conference in June. Many members of the board as well as delegates will be representing TxATE at the national conference. Please take a minute to share your thoughts on

teacher preparation with our representatives if you are not able to attend the national meeting. Thank you all for your continued membership and I look forward to a great year!

Amanda M. Rudolph

CSOTTE 2012 Highlights

TED BOOKER MEMORIAL AWARD



Dr. Tinajero receiving the TED Booker Memorial Award

At the 2012 CSOTTE Conference, TxATE publicly announced the recipient of the Ted Booker Memorial Award. This award recognizes the leadership of Ted Booker, who had been President in 1969-1970 and was Dean of the College of Education at Texas Woman's University.

In 1971, Dr. Booker suggested that TSCTE (predecessor of TxATE) use surplus funds to establish an award for an outstanding contribution in the field of teacher education. Because of his leadership in this area and his untimely death in 1971 due to a heart attack, the Ted Booker Memorial Award was established in April 1972 at the TSCTE Spring Conference. The 2012 Ted Booker Memorial Award was granted to Josefina V. Tinajero, Dean of the UTEP College of Education.

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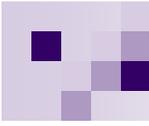
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Professional Development Presentation



The CSOTTE 2012 Conference featured a special Professional Development Presentation by Neill Armstrong and Ken Austin (from Stephen F. Austin). They highlighted the topic "CCRS in Texas" and shared findings from evaluations they have conducted on this timely topic in Texas institutions.

Visit us online at www.txate.org where you have access to important information such as our mission and objectives, membership, award recipients, summer conference information, and our publications.



Texas Association of Teacher Educators (TxATE) Awards Information

Each year, The Texas Association of Teacher Educators (TxATE) honors a number of educators in Texas for outstanding work in the teaching profession. The list of awards follows here. Watch for the call for nominations, which will be sent out to you soon!

The Ben E. Coody Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Coody served as the last President of the Texas Association for Student Teaching before the association became the Texas Association of Teacher Educators in 1971. Shortly after completing his term as president, Dr. Coody met an untimely death in an automobile accident. He was respected for his high code of ethics, his professional zeal, and his sincerity of purpose.

This award honors others who have provided significant service to the organization. Service to the profession through contributions to fieldwork or clinical practice is emphasized.

Guidelines for Selection of Recipient:

1. Nominees should have made a significant contribution to TxATE and the education profession; specifically, service to student teaching and fieldwork.
2. Nominations will be accepted from members of TxATE.

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The first award was granted to L. Loyd Rogers in 1973.

Guidelines for Selection of Recipient:

1. Nominees should have made a significant contribution in the area of teacher education; specifically, contributions in scholarship and policy.
2. Special consideration will be given to members of TxATE; however, nonmembers may be selected.
3. Nominations will be accepted from members of TxATE or non-members.

The Distinguished Clinician Award

This award is presented to a public school teacher who has demonstrated exemplary service in the field, and in assisting in the supervision of student teachers and/or interns.

Guidelines for Selection of Recipient:

1. Nominees should have made a significant contribution in the field of being a practicing clinician who has successfully mentored and supervised student teachers.
2. Special consideration will be given to members of TxATE; however, nonmembers may be selected.

ATE Resolutions

YOUR VOICE, YOUR ATE: Where does ATE stand on the issues that challenge education today? What direction or position should your ATE take on quickly-emerging matters that will affect your association, your roles as a teacher educator or teacher, your students, your legislators, and those who do or wish to influence educational policies and practices? Be heard and proactive by submitting a resolution to the national Resolutions Committee for its deliberation and action.

Following here is an example of a 2011-12 Resolution passed by ATE:

Resolution 2011-2 Amendment to Definition of “Highly Qualified Teacher”

Whereas, there is an amendment to the highly qualified teacher definition in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA);

Whereas, this amendment codified into law, through the 2012-2013 school year, a U.S. Department of Education regulation that allows thousands of underprepared and inexperienced individuals to teach, and denies parents notification of the teacher’s underprepared status;

Action Statement:

Be it resolved that the Association urge Congress to repeal this amendment

Be it resolved that the Association work to develop a rational and transparent definition of teacher quality

Be it further resolved that the Association’s definition be disseminated to appropriate parties.

For more information, contact Dr. Judith Munter, TxATE 2nd Vice President: jmunter@utep.edu

Upcoming Conferences and Events

ATE 2013 Conference

The 2013 Annual Meeting of the Association of Teacher Educators will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. The theme selected by President Ann Shelly is “Living and Learning across a Lifetime”. Registration fee for the 2013 Annual Meeting will be \$255 for members (early bird) and \$330 for non-members (early bird).

TxATE 2013 Summer Conference

TxATE will hold its next Summer Conference on June 8, 2013. The event will be held in Austin at the Radisson Hotel. Conference registration for the summer 2012 event is \$105. See the TxATE website for registration information. The call for proposals will be sent out via email shortly!

At this year’s event, TxATE will announce the recipient of the 2012 Distinguished Clinician Award.