

March 14, 2013

To: Dr. John Watson
Vice-President of Academic Affairs

From: V. Carole Smith, Ph.D.
Associate Professor for Middle Level Education

Re: Report on use of Professional Development Grant

I received \$1700.00 from the Professional Development Grant Committee. I used this money to enhance my own professional development and that of the ATU Middle Level Program, by attending the 2013 Association of Teacher Educator Annual Meeting in Atlanta. I have been active in this organization for the twelve years that I have been in higher education.

I was a part of the governance at this meeting as a member of
The Awards committee
The 2014 Conference Planning Committee for St. Louis
The Efficacy Commission.
The Middle Level SIG
A Representative for ArATE at the Delegate Assembly,
And I attended the Leadership Academy.

I also made a presentation:

“On Campus Mentoring for Middle Level Pre-Service Teachers.”

I appreciate the opportunity to participate in professional organizations and conferences. For teacher education faculty, it is crucial for them to maintain professional connections, by exposure to cutting edge knowledge in teacher education, and to revitalize our own enthusiasm and motivation for teaching. In our profession, it is important that we see and participate in what we teach.