

**Association of Teacher Educators 2008 Annual Conference**  
**New Orleans, Louisiana**  
**February 21, 2008 – February 27**

Multiple Realities in Teacher Education: Exemplars that Address Dilemmas, Conundrums, and Processes

**B. Abstract**

The Association of Teacher Educators was founded in 1920 and is an individual membership organization devoted solely to the improvement of teacher education both for school-based and post secondary teacher educators. ATE members represent over 700 colleges and universities, over 500 major school systems, and the majority of state departments of education. The ATE office is located in the Washington DC area where it represents its members' interests before governmental agencies and education organizations. In addition, ATE has representatives on the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Holmes Partnership.

The Association of Teacher Educators (ATE) holds its Annual Conference in February .The 2008 Annual Conference will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana. There are Pre-Conference workshops and I am a member of the ATE Leadership academy that meets prior to the opening of the conference. The general session includes leading educators and legislators that address current educational issues and trends.

I have been active in this organization since 2000. I am currently the Past-President of Arkansas Association of Teacher Educators. I was the Co-Chair of the Program Committee for the Milwaukee Summer Conference. I am the member at-large for the Council of Unit Presidents and Past -Chair of the Special Interest Group for Middle Level Education. I am also a member of the ATE Leadership Academy. The Leadership Academy grooms future leaders in the national organization.

**C. Objectives**

I will be a co-presenter with Dr. Kandis Croom from ATU. The Title of our presentation is *Advisory and the Young Adolescent*, which is based on the attached article. By attending this conference we can move our ideas forward, especially during the Middle Level Special Interest Group. This presentation is directly related to the conference theme.

**D. Significance/Needs**

One of the most important components of a developmentally responsive middle school is an adult advocate for every student. Recommendations have been made by The National Middle School Association (NMSA) through *This We Believe* and the nine cornerstone strategies of *Breaking the Ranks*...reports advisory program development for every middle school is a must.

Advisory programs date back to as early 1880's. Advisory Programs make connections to adults for the young adolescent and also provide a positive interaction with other young adolescents.

Active participation by conference participants will lead to a better understanding of the need to use advisory programs to meet the developmental needs of the young adolescent.

#### **E. Process for attainment of Objectives/Goals**

We will present an expanded version of our paper and lead a discussion, which informs and motivates educators to re-investigate and implement this key component of the Middle Level Concept.

#### **F. Dissemination of Results**

We will share this information with Arkansas Association of Teacher Educators, Arkansas Association of Middle Level Education, Arkansas Association of Colleges of Education and the School of Education Curriculum and Instruction Department.

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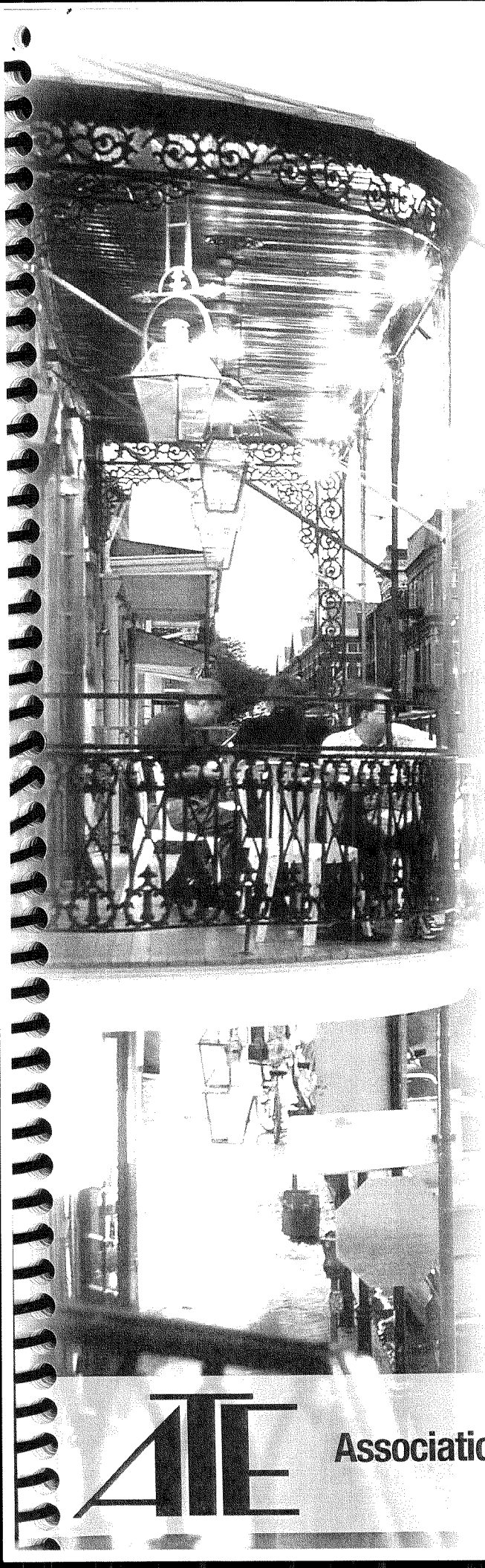
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FEBRUARY 23-27, 2008

**ATE**

Association of Teacher Educators

Monday, February 25, 2008

**Special Interest Groups  
4:30-6:00 p.m.**

225 **Network of Secondary Education Professors (NSEP)**  
**Gallier B**  
Chair: **Eric F. Luce**, University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

**Business Meeting**

**We Were There! Secondary Education, Teacher Preparation and Katrina**  
**Shirley Bowles, Joe Olmi**, The University of Southern Mississippi; **Margaret-Mary Sulentic Dowell**, Louisiana State University, **Eric F. Luce**, University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

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226 **Middle Level Educators**  
**Evergreen**  
Chair: **Calvin Meyer**, Marshall University

The Middle Level SIG meeting is a round table multiple format discussion of Best Practices and special programs of interest to Middle Level Educators. The presentations will be made by a variety of professors representing different universities.

**Introductions and Statement of Purpose - Cal Meyer, Chair**

Round Table Presentations:

**The Dilemma Facing Ohio Middle Schools - Diane Downard**, Rio Grande University

**Using a Teacher Friendly Learning Style Instrument with Middle School Students Joseph Pitts**, Converse College

**Reaching Through the Screen: Mimicking Proximity in On-Line Instruction - Johna Faulconer**, Coastal Carolina University

**Advisory and the Young Adolescent: Meeting the Needs of the Whole Child- Carole Smith, Kandis Croom - Arkansas Tech University**

**Providing a Thinking Skills Curriculum - Sandy Bailey - Marshall University**

**Disposition in Middle Level Teacher Preparation: Limitations and Possibilities - Holly Thornton**, Appalachian State University

**A Successful Online Math Program - Edna Meisel**, Marshall University

**Conclusions - Cal Meyer, Chair**

**Future Goals - Edna Meisel - Co-Chair**

**Selection of Officers - Edna Meisel - Co-Chair**

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227 **Multicultural Education**  
**Bayside C**  
Chair: **Prentice Baptiste**, New Mexico State University

**Measuring Quality in Messy Work: Possibilities and Problems in Challenging Assessments**  
**Heather A. Oesterreich**, New Mexico State University

**Teaching Injustice in Justice: A Case Study of a Critical Multicultural Educator**  
**Emilie M. Camp**, New Mexico State University

**Agenda**  
**CUP Membership Meeting**  
**February, 24, 2008**  
**New Orleans, LA**

- A. Welcome/Brief Introductions
- B. Approval of Agenda
- C. Approval of Minutes from San Diego
- D. Reports
  - 1. Chair - Kathy Brown
  - 2. Executive Secretary, CUP - Mary Selke
  - 3. Executive Director, ATE – David Ritchey
  - 4. ATE Board Liaison - Sandy Alber
  - 5. Regional Representatives
    - Region I (Northwest) - Ernie Heyman
    - Region II (Southwest) - Ann Wood
    - Region III (Midwest) - George Fero
    - Region IV (Southeast) - Tammie Brown
    - At Large (In lieu of Region V - Northeast) – V. Carole Smith
- E. Old Business - Discussion/Action Items
  - a. Constitution By-Laws Revision Approval
  - b. Role of CUP in ATE
- F. New Business
  - a. State unit key topics
  - b. Unit governance challenges
- G. Adjournment – See you in Washington, DC (Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00-noon)  
And see you in Dallas, TX (Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:00-noon)