

**Association of Teacher Educators
2014 Delegate Assembly**

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Call to Order

President Nancy P. Gallavan called the 2014 Delegate Assembly to order at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 15, 2014. She welcomed the Delegates and introduced the members of the Board of Directors.

President Gallavan announced that ATE's Parliamentarian, Don Boileau, was unable to attend because of weather. She asked the Executive Director to make an announcement concerning procedures for the meeting, and he said the meeting would follow Robert's Rules of Order. He said he would call Don Boileau if there were any questions regarding procedures.

Report of the Credentials Committee

Billi Bromer made the Credentials Committee report. She reported that her committee had seated a quorum of delegates.

Approval of Agenda

President Gallavan brought up the agenda. She said there was a lot to cover and the move to a one-day format would require some flexibility.

Motion by Hertzog, Pennsylvania, seconded by Johnson, Michigan, to approve the agenda with flexibility. Lane, New York, asked for amendment to move Report of Governance above Future Meetings. Hertzog accepted the amendment. The amendment passed. Amended motion to adopt agenda passed by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

President Gallavan noted that all Delegates had received the draft minutes of the last meeting, held February 11-12, 2012 in Atlanta. She called for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion by Lavery, Florida, seconded by Olive, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. The motion passed by voice vote.

Report of the President

President Gallavan presented her report. She attended the Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) Convocation, in Dallas, TX, fulfilling multiple roles. She serves as the co-counselor of the Pi Beta Chapter at the University of Central Arkansas (UCA). The other co-counselor, four students, and President Gallavan presented several break-out sessions. As

ATE President, she presented the KDP/ATE Student Teacher of the Year Award, giving a short talk about the award and our partnership. ATE Past President Terrell Peace, ATE member Donna Cox, and President Gallavan managed the ATE exhibit. Special thanks to ATE Past President Ann Shelly for her sponsorship of this new exhibit that was extremely well received. Many KDP counselors also are members of ATE and expressed their appreciation for our visibility at KDP. She also was inducted as an inaugural member of the Kappa Delta Pi Eleanor Roosevelt Honorary Chapter; these individuals are recognized for their significant and long-term contributions of service to KDP and demonstration of their commitment to its ideals and excellence in education. (Originally, she was initiated into KDP in 1974 and served as the chapter president.)

President Gallavan noted that Freddie A. Bowles and Cathy J. Pearman, conference co-chairs, have dedicated much time, energy, creativity, and collegiality to preparing the 2014 ATE Annual Meeting. Their attention to all the details is extremely impressive, and President Gallavan said she cannot fully express her heartfelt appreciation. Likewise, she wanted to thank Shirley Lefever-Davis and Terrell Peace for their commitment to special events and to Lisa Huelskamp for her enthusiasm in coordinating the Newcomers' Breakfast. All members of the planning committee have contributed positively and productively for the last two years. Benjamin Franklin's words ring true, "If you want something done, ask a busy person." She offered many thanks to all the busy people, particularly the ATE Associate Development Specialists. Highlights of ATE 2014 Annual Meeting are Author/Editor roundtables, Continuing Conversations, and Featured Sessions.

President Gallavan said she is pleased to report that the Committee on Committees has collaborated closely with her to examine the process of appointing chairs and members as documented in their new Guidelines. The two commissions she appointed have been active: the Commission on Classroom Assessment has already written a chapter for the ATE Yearbook and the Commission on Classroom Teachers as Associated Teacher Educators has designed a plan for reaching more P-12 teachers. The Task Force on Organizational and Operational Policies and Procedures has begun generating its list of recommendations for improving communications and attending to tasks. This year, the board of directors started using electronic access to board book documents, meetings (rather than meeting face-to-face), and materials for conferences.

ATE has strengthened its partnerships with the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE), American Federation of Teachers (AFT), Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO), Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), Kappa Delta Pi (KDP), and National Education Association (NEA). Plus we have established a partnership with the Gay, Lesbian, & Straight Education Network (GLSEN). President Gallavan expressed her thanks to the Executive Director for writing the grant we received from CCSSO for \$39,500 to become part of the pilot program to implement the recommendations found in the CCSSO task force report, *Our Responsibility, Our Promise*.

Throughout the year, President Gallavan has met many exciting members within ATE and supportive people outside ATE interested in our organization, many of whom have shared innovative suggestions to enhance our efficacy. She said she genuinely appreciates the opportunity to serve as steward of the association and to contribute to its professionalism, leadership, advocacy, communities, and equity. She looks forward to continued stewardship as she joins the ATE Council of Past Presidents.

Report of the President Elect

President Elect Savage-Davis presented her report. She said she has selected her Conference Theme: “Advocating for the Silenced: The Educators’ Vocation.”

Conference Strands under this theme will be:

- Strand 1: Advocating for Access, Opportunity, and Social Justice
- Strand 2: Recruiting and Retaining Quality Teachers, Administrators, and Teacher Educators
- Strand 3: Meeting Standards in Our Ever-Changing Society
- Strand 4: Technology, Equity, and Student Engagement
- Strand 5: Governmental and Educational Policy and their Impact on Teaching and Teacher Education

In preparation for the Annual Meeting and Summer Conference associated with her 2014-15 presidential term, as well as the 2016 Annual Meeting, she provided the current status:

- Finalization of the Conference Theme and Strands Development and Alignment to Teacher Educators Standards
 - Featured Sessions at the Phoenix conference will be aligned to each strand and highlight the Teacher Educators Standards with the support of the Standards Taskforce
- 2014 Summer Conference: Niagara, NY, August 1-5, 2014 – Sandy Brownscombe and Linda Houser – Conference Co-Chairs
- Completion of Call for Proposals
- Keynote Speakers
 - **H. Richard Milner IV** – Opening General Keynote Speaker Keynote Speaker and Fireside Chat
 - **H. Gerald Campano** – Sunday Lunch General Session Keynote Speaker & Fireside Chat
 - **Donna M. Gollnick** – Monday Lunch General Session Keynote Speaker & Fireside Chat
- Confirmation of Special Events
 - **Top of the Falls Restaurant** – Dinner and View of the Niagara Falls Illumination Show (Friday)
 - **Old Fort Niagara** – Heavy hors d'oeuvre, National Historical Landmark and New York State Historic Site, and Reenactment Performers (Monday)
- Pre-Conference Workshops
 - Half Day Pre-Conference Workshops
 - 21st Century Classroom

- Flipped Classroom
 - CAEP
 - Full Day Pre-Conference Workshop • Digital Opportunity Symposium (Bob McLaughlin)
 - Special Pre Conference Technology Workshop (underwritten by external funds)
- St. Louis Promotional Table
 - Plans are in place for a fabulous table.
- 2015 Annual Conference: Phoenix, AZ, February 13-17, 2015 – Pat Tate and Renee Clift – Conference Co-Chairs
 - Successful on-site visit on November 1-3, 2014
 - Completion of Rack Card to advertise the conference
 - Completion of Call for Proposals
- Confirmation of Keynote Speakers are confirmed
 - **Gloria Ladson-Billings** – Opening General Keynote Speaker and Fireside Chat
 - **Luis Moll** – Robert Louis Stevenson Speaker and Fireside Chat
 - **Joan Wink** – Distinguished Educator Speaker and Fireside Chat (selection by Dr. Nancy Gallavan)
 - Awaiting the decision of the Research Committee for name of the Research Speaker
- St. Louis Promotional Table
 - Plans are in place for a fabulous table.
- Special thanks to all who attended the meetings and contributed to the productive experience either in person, prior to meeting contributions, or via Skype
- Identified and confirmed a corporate sponsor for the conference bags for Summer 2014 and Annual 2015 (Bob McLaughlin)
- Confirmation of Distinguished Educator Speaker at the 2016 Annual Conference: Chicago, IL, February 11-17, 2016
 - **Carl Grant** is the Hoefs-Bascom Professor of Teacher Education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction at the University Wisconsin-Madison. He is a former classroom teacher and administrator, and has spent time in England as a Fulbright Scholar. He was President of the NAME from 1993-1999.
- Taskforce and Commissions
 - Two Commissions:
 - **Social Justice and Access to Equitable Education in our Nation** (*looking at this topic domestically*) – Co-Chairs: Beverly Klug and Ryan Flessner
 - **Social Justice and Access to Equitable Education in the Global Community** (*looking at this topic globally*) – Co-Chairs: Jane McCarthy and Maxine Cooper
- Guiding questions to address:
 - What is social justice in educational and teacher preparation settings?

- What are the components within a teacher preparation program that promotes an understanding as well as the practice of social justice among their future teachers?
- What are some of the exemplar teacher preparation programs that promotes and develops within the teacher candidates the understanding and practice of social justice and access to equitable education in their preparation, practice, and classroom?
- Tasks to be completed by the commission individually and collaboratively:
 - White Paper: ATE Position Statement
 - Book: Research on Policy and Practice (*any proceeds go to ATE*)
 - Book: Case Studies on Exemplary Programs in Higher Education (*any proceeds go to ATE*)
 - Collaboration: White Paper: Mutual ATE Position Statement for Nationally and Global Advocation
- Taskforce:
 - **Resources for Professional Growth in the Digital Age** – Paul Resta and Bob McLaughlin – Co-Chairs
- Guiding ideas to address:
 - What are the digital communication resources, venues, and platforms that can increase membership, improve accessibility, and market the ATE Network?
 - How can we increase ATE’s presence and impact in the educational community through technology?
 - How can we utilize and support online professional development, mentoring and communication for educators and teacher educators?
 - How can we modernize the ATE brand (website, logo, operating tools, etc.)?
 - How to strategically identify and analyze the effectiveness of costs and benefits of digital platforms and resources?
- Task to be completed by the taskforce
 - Recommendations for the development and implementation of an ATE Action Plan that will:
 - increase membership and bring revenue opportunities to the organization;
 - provide professional development and education; and
 - position ATE as a national leader and resource in teacher educator development, educational policy, and research in the digital age.
- Acceptance of speaking invitations
 - Midwest ATE 2014 Conference on April 11, 2014 in Urbana, IL
 - SRATE 2014 Conference on October 16-18, 2014 in Charleston, SC

Report of the Past President

Past President Shelly began her report by noting that every task completed for ATE is important and every event vital. We, as an association, owe a debt of gratitude those on the Board for their commitment to ATE and their evident love of the association. She said she has relearned the lesson we all learn as teachers – no one is an island and we all need

each other. So, thanks to all of you for what you do. We face a number of challenges in the year to come and I have every confidence that the leadership of ATE will provide the creativity and energy needed to cope with them successfully.

She said she has appreciated the chance to work with the Leadership Academy this year. The plans for St. Louis are very thoughtful and will help our new aspiring leaders reach high and to think in new ways. Robert Houston, Terry James, and Billy Dixon have been "good folks" to work with on this valuable effort.

The efforts to build partnerships so that our voices can be joined and, perhaps, be heard more clearly were reflected in the KDP agreement and the memorandum of understanding with AACTE which should actively support the development of our own advocacy efforts.

Shirley Lefever-Davis and Renee Clift chair her Commission on Transforming Graduate Education. She is looking for "out of the box" thinking from the group. The Commission has worked to develop a survey of our membership to look at the current status of graduate education in the eyes of our members. The Commission plans to ask the Research Committee to review it and hopes that the Board will approve its use.

The Task Force on Field Standards is co-chaired by David Byrd and Janice Thompson. That group is bringing our already good standards up to excellent and will help us build on our history and expertise. The Task Force is requesting a one-year extension to complete their work.

The Task Force on Governance (based on the Strategic Plan) is chaired by Jim Alouf. The report will be presented to the Board in St. Louis. The work of the members of this committee and of Jim has been very thoughtful and reflects the thinking of those who attended the open sessions as well as many of the issues raised by the strategic plan.

The ATE-Europe meeting in Halden, Norway was a great experience. The planning meeting for the WFATE meeting in Beijing was fruitful and the upcoming meeting will be a wonderful chance to exchange ideas with professionals from China and across the world. The WFATE Directorate is meeting here in St. Louis and it will be a crucial meeting as the group finalizes its governance. Maxine and Jane have provided superb leadership for WFATE. The new website is <http://www/worldfate.org>. She urged members of the Delegate Assembly to visit the website.

On a personal note, Past President Shelly said retirement is a challenge for her – she has worked so long that it seems a little sinful to read, relax, travel, and do research without the daily grind. She has had the opportunity to see the best of the possible futures and the worst-case scenarios. We are truly facing a time of challenges for us as educators. As always, she remains grateful for the wonderful professionals at ATE!

She received a round of applause from the Delegate Assembly for her service.

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director reported that Delegate Assembly members received income and expense reports for the current fiscal year to date, along with the outside accounting firm's report on the review of ATE's finances and financial report from the previous fiscal year. He noted the Association lost a significant amount of money during the previous year, more than \$35,000, and he had informed the Board and Fiscal Affairs Committee of this. He said the Board would continue to address this problem closely and asked Delegate Assembly members to let him know if there were any questions related to the financial reports.

Report on 2014 Annual Meeting

President Gallavan asked Freddie Bowles to report on the 2013 Annual Meeting in St. Louis. She said Cathy Pearman was unable to attend because of illness in her family, but as co-chair she had done a great deal of work. She briefly reviewed the program of planned speakers and entertainment. She said there were over 700 registrations and great speakers on the program. The hotel was offering free wi-fi to guests in their rooms. She had spoken to Marilyn Cochran-Smith who would be the speaker this evening. She asked the members of the Planning Committee who were present to stand and be recognized. There were over 450 educational sessions, along with a new element -- authors' roundtables.

President Gallavan congratulated both Freddie Bowles and Cathy Pearman for putting together a great program.

Report on 2013 Summer Conference

President Gallavan asked Walter Polka to present the report on the 2013 Summer Conference which had been held in August in Washington, DC. He said Noran Moffett was unable to attend because of weather but Shaon Zhang presented with him. They said the Summer Conference had been very successful and they were pleased with the results.

Report on Governance Task Force

President Gallavan asked Past President Alouf to discuss the recommendations of the Governance Task Force. He said the Task Force has submitted its report, and he went through each of the proposals. A hearing will be held the following day. He said the proposal for new Elected Officers and Terms has already been referred to the Bylaws Committee.

It was asked whether a motion would be accepted at this time. President Gallavan said that would be fine.

Motion by Hertzog, Pennsylvania, seconded by Rivera-Wilson, New York, that the Delegate Assembly adopt the section on Delegate Assembly/Council of Unit Presidents of the report of the Task Force on Governance regarding the role of the Council of Unit Presidents, and that the President and Board of Directors work with the CUP leadership to develop a process for the transition by the 2015 Annual Meeting.

In discussion, the Executive Director was asked to contact the Parliamentarian, who was unable to be at the meeting because of weather, with questions related to Bylaws implications. The Task Force recommendation was as follows:

The Council of Unit Presidents should become the organizing force for the Delegate Assembly. CUP would run the meetings of the Delegate Assembly. The President of the Association would continue to chair the Delegate Assembly, maintaining continuity with the Board of Directors.

The Executive Director contacted the Parliamentarian by phone and he provided the following opinion:

Because the Task Force Report proposes structural changes in the organization as to

- a) the role of the Delegate Assembly and CUP,
- b) the nature of membership,
- c) the officers and duties for four officers (creating a new officer),
- d) affiliated groups,
- e) limits on Presidential Commission and Task Force Appointments, and
- f) the nature of membership on 4 committees,

the President of the Delegate Assembly must send this report to the Bylaws Committee, as the above topics are structural changes.

President Gallavan asked that the recommendation from the Task Force that was the subject of the motion go to the Bylaws Committee for their consideration to see whether it had Bylaws implications. The motion was thus tabled.

Report on Future Meetings

President Gallavan asked Past President and Distinguished Member Billy Dixon, who serves as ATE's Meetings Planner, to come forward and talk about future meetings. He discussed sites for Summer Conferences and

He said 25 years ago ATE was in the same hotel in St. Louis and he was President. He looked forward to a successful meeting in St. Louis.

He said the program books listed the next several meetings. Annual Meeting sites will include Phoenix in 2015, the Chicago Hilton in 2016, and the Orlando Caribe Royale Hotel in 2017.

Report on Fiscal Affairs

President Gallavan asked Past President Ed Pultorak, chair of the Fiscal Affairs. He said the committee had reviewed finances and recognized that the association had suffered a significant loss during the previous year (expenses were greater than income). He said the committee had reviewed this with the Executive Director, President and President Elect and would work to see that expenses were more in line with income in the future.

Report on Nominations and Elections

President Gallavan asked Linda Austin to present the report on Nominations and Elections.

For the office of President Elect, the committee had received no nominations to bring to the Delegate Assembly. She said the Bylaws would allow nominations from the floor, and President Gallavan asked if there were any nominations.

Motion by Whiteman, Ohio, seconded by Brown, Mississippi, to nominate Sandy Brownscombe as candidate for President Elect. The motion passed.

Motion by Fry, Kansas, seconded by Green, Kansas, to nominate Shirley Lefever-Davis as candidate for President Elect. The motion passed.

President Gallavan noted that two nominees for the office of President Elect were accepted. She congratulated the nominees and asked Linda Austin to initiate the Nominations and Elections Committee's responsibility to interview the candidates and obtain necessary paperwork.

For the office of Board of Directors College-University, Linda Austin noted that the committee has approved the nomination of Robert McLaughlin. President Gallavan asked if there were any nominations from the floor.

Motion by Meyers, South Carolina, seconded by Murphy, South Carolina, to nominate Judy Beck as candidate for Board of Directors College-University. The motion passed.

Motion by Shulsky, Texas, seconded by Rodriguez, Texas, to nominate Elizabeth Ward as candidate for Board of Directors College-University. The motion passed.

Motion by McCarthy, Nevada, seconded by Whiteman, Ohio, to nominate Shaon Zhang as candidate for Board of Directors College-University. The motion passed.

President Gallavan noted that this would make four nominees for the office of Board of Directors, College/University. She congratulated the nominees and said Robert McLaughlin had completed the nominations process already. She asked Linda Austin to initiate the Nominations and Elections Committee's responsibility to interview the other candidates and obtain necessary paperwork.

For the office of Board of Directors, Public-Private School, Linda Austin reported that the committee had no nominations to bring forward.

Motion by Matt Lavery, Florida, seconded by Haggard, Pennsylvania, to nominate Amanda Lavery as candidate for Board of Directors Public-Private School. The motion passed.

President Gallavan congratulated the candidate for the office of Board of Directors – Public/Private School, and she asked Linda Austin to initiate the Nominations and Elections Committee’s responsibility to interview the candidate and obtain necessary paperwork.

Linda Austin said the Nominations and Elections Committee would conduct interviews of candidates that had not already been interviewed the next day and the nominees would then have two weeks to provide information.

President Gallavan thanked Linda Austin and her committee for their work.

Report on Resolutions

President Gallavan asked Past President and Distinguished Member Charlotte Mendoza to present the report of the Resolutions Committee. She said the committee had four resolutions to bring forward.

Resolution 2014-1: Using Standardized Reading Test Scores to Retain Third Grade Students

Whereas, a growing number of states are instituting or considering to institute laws that retain 3rd grade students who score poorly on standardized reading tests

Whereas, no data exists about the long-term positive effects of retaining students in the elementary grades

Whereas, the practice of retaining 3rd grade students who score poorly on standardized reading tests is becoming a national trend

Whereas, the practice of retaining 3rd grade students who score poorly on standardized reading tests impacts minority and high poverty student populations at higher rates than majority student populations

Whereas, retaining 3rd grade students who score poorly on standardized reading tests has not been shown to narrow the achievement gap over time

Whereas, reasons for student test performance can be attributed to cognitive abilities and affective dispositions

Action Statement: The Association of Teacher Educators resolves:

Be it resolved that the Association send letters to state legislators asking them not to support policies that retain 3rd grade students based on standardized test scores until more conclusive data confirming the positive effects of grade retention on 3rd graders is published.

Be it resolved that the Association create an ad hoc committee to collect, analyze, and disseminate data about the effects of retaining 3rd grade students based on their standardized reading test scores.

Be it resolved that the Association collaborate with other practitioner-based professional organizations (American Federation of Teachers, National Education Association and Parent Teacher Organizations) to write a positive statement and send it to national and state legislators.

Be it further resolved that the Association invites one of its members to compose an op-ed piece and submit it to news media with a national circulation to bring awareness about states passing laws that hold back 3rd grade students based on their reading scores without having supporting research.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-1, Using Standardized Reading Test Scores to Retain Third Grade Students. Since this was a motion from committee, it doesn't need second. The motion passed.

The second resolution, 2014-2, did not pass and so is not included here.

The third resolution, 2014-3, is:

Resolution 2014-3: Membership Involvement in Resolution Formulation

Whereas, there is both a need and a desire to involve the membership of the Association of Teacher Educators, with particular emphasis on members of Special Interest Groups, in the formation of Association positions, and

Whereas, these positions are primarily based upon the resolutions passed by the Delegate Assembly

Action Statement: The Association of Teacher Educators resolves:

Be it resolved that all Special Interest Group chairs encourage their members to submit resolutions or specific concerns upon which to base resolutions, to the Association of Teacher Educators Resolutions Committee Chair no later than December 1st of each year.

Be it resolved that each Special Interest Group chair be required to notify the Resolutions Committee Chair no later than October 1st of each year that its Special Interest Group will or will not be submitting one or more resolutions or bases for resolutions for the next annual meeting of the Resolutions Committee

Be it further resolved that the Special Interest Group Coordinator invite the Resolutions Committee Chair or designee, to present an update of the work of the Resolutions Committee at the annual meeting of the chairs of the Special Interest Groups.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-3, Membership Involvement in Resolution Formulation. Since this was a motion from committee, it doesn't need second. The motion passed.

The fourth resolution brought forward from the Resolutions Committee is:

Resolution 2014-4: Use of Common Core Student Assessment Results in Teacher and Teacher Education Program Evaluation

Whereas, The U.S. Department of Education is providing incentives for states to adopt the Common Core standards

Whereas, the Common Core standards do not yet have a sufficient research base and have not been adequately field-tested

Whereas, an increasing number of states are considering using student progress on Common Core standards as a tool for teacher evaluation and personnel decisions

Whereas, student progress on Common Core standards or other state standards for beginning teachers (Years 1-3) are being considered as a tool for evaluation of teacher education programs

Whereas, the research on the needed statistical modeling and the research on new teacher development does not support such practices

Action Statement: The Association of Teacher Educators resolves:

Be it resolved that the Association develop an official statement to be issued to state legislators to reject policies without a sufficient research base to make policies that effect personnel and programmatic decisions for teachers and teacher education.

Be it resolved that the Research Committee be charged to collect, analyze, and disseminate research about the effects of using Common Core in the evaluation of teachers and teacher education programs.

Be it further resolved that the Association invite one or more of its members, to compose an op-ed piece and submit it to news media, to bring awareness regarding the lack of validity of the tools used to measure student progress on Common Core standards and the methodology of using such tools to evaluate teachers and teacher education programs.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-4, Use of Common Core Student Assessment Results in Teacher and Teacher Education Program Evaluation. Since this was a motion from committee, it doesn't need second. The motion passed.

Corporate Bylaws Committee

President Gallavan asked Past President Ann Shelly to make the report of the Corporate Bylaws Committee since Joseph Barnes, Chair, was unable to attend because of weather.

Past President Shelly said the Corporate Bylaws Committee was bringing forward a resolution to change ATE's Bylaws to include the Past Presidents Council. Wording for the Bylaws change would be as follows:

C. Council of Past Presidents

Membership in the Council of Past Presidents is open to all who have completed their terms as President and Immediate Past President of the national Association of Teacher Educators, or its predecessor group, the Association for Student Teaching. The Council of Past Presidents will work with current elected leaders of the Association to advance the Association. The Council will meet at least annually during the Annual Meeting of the Association to determine its agenda. A chair shall be elected by the membership to a two-year term and is eligible for reelection.

The Council of Past Presidents will file a constitution with the Corporate Bylaws Committee.

Motion to make the Council of Past Presidents an Affiliated Unit within ATE's Bylaws. This is a motion from the Corporate Bylaws Committee and does not require a second. The motion passed.

Past President Shelly said the Corporate Bylaws Committee had considered recommendations from Past President Alouf's Task Force on Governance but was not prepared to recommend Bylaws changes to implement the recommendations at this time. She suggested that the Corporate Bylaws Committee work and communicate electronically so these changes can still be considered next year.

Past President Shelly said there was one other item in the Bylaws that needed to be cleaned up. This was a motion that had a first reading at last year's Delegate Assembly in Atlanta, so if the motion is approved in St. Louis the Bylaws will be changed.

Motion to amend ATE's Bylaws to insert "electronic or mail" in Section 3 Article 3 and Section 4 Article 5. Since this was a motion from the committee, it didn't need second reading but would be very appropriate to have a vote. The motion passed.

Leadership Academy

President Gallavan asked Past President Houston to report on the Leadership Academy. He said the 20th Leadership Academy would be held in St. Louis. This is the last year we know we will get sponsorship from Pearson, he said. Future Leadership Academies may be supported by the Past Presidents Council or other groups.

Distinguished Member

President Gallavan asked Debbie Barnes, Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee, to present the Committee's report. She said the Honors and Awards Committee was pleased to recommend Past President Ann Shelly as Distinguished Member for 2014.

Motion to name Ann Shelly a Distinguished Member of the Association of Teacher Educators. This is a motion from the Honors and Awards Committee and needs no second. The motion passed. Past President Shelly received a round of applause.

2014 Summer Conference in Niagara Falls

President Gallavan asked Linda Houser and Sandy Brownscombe, co-chairs of the 2014 Summer Conference Planning Committee, to come forward and talk about the Summer Conference. They reviewed the program and innovations, including a full-day Digital Opportunity Symposium that will be sponsored on Friday before the Summer Conference begins. Special events include dinner and lighting of Niagara Falls at Top of the Falls Restaurant on Friday evening and tour of Old Fort Niagara on Monday evening. They urged everyone to attend.

2015 Annual Meeting in Phoenix

President Gallavan asked Renee Clift and Patricia Tate, co-chairs of the 2015 Annual Meeting in Phoenix, to come forward and discuss the Annual Meeting. They said much planning had already taken place and they were excited to work on the Annual Meeting. One of the innovations planned for Phoenix is a session with ATE Clinical Practice Fellows. They urged everyone present to attend.

Concluding Remarks

President Gallavan urged all Delegates to attend the exhibitor reception and bingo game later that afternoon. She said the idea for the reception and bingo game had come from Past President and Distinguished Member Ed Pultorak, and it had proved to be very successful.

Jim Whiteman, Ohio, stood and asked the Delegate Assembly to give thanks to Nancy P. Gallavan for her leadership as President of the Association of Teacher Educators for the past year. He led a standing ovation for her.

President Gallavan thanked the Delegates for attending and asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Nicholas, Maryland, seconded by Walsh, Michigan, to adjourn. The motion passed.