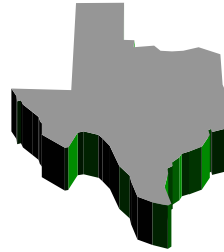


CASP News



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TxCRLA
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Texas Association of
Developmental Education

CASP 2005 College Station : Thank You for a Successful Conference

by Karon Mathews and Sharon Haigler

College Station, Texas was the site for the 24th Annual College Academic Support Programs (CASP) Conference this past October 5 – 7, 2005. This gathering of nearly two hundred college learning assistance educators offered refreshing opportunities for professional development through presentations at thirty-nine concurrent sessions and seven pre-conference institutes, as well as through networking with fellow colleagues from other campuses. “Laid-back” was the uniform of the day as conferees were encouraged to wear their favorite college sweatshirts throughout the conference.

Cynthia Ferrell, recently appointed Program Director of Developmental Education for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, drew great interest as she hosted a presentation and Q&A session Wednesday evening. For many of the conferees, this was the first opportunity to meet personally with her, and the opportunity to clarify many of the state developmental education guidelines was a highlight of her visit.

The bygone days of 50 years ago came alive at the Thursday 50’s party. A highlight of this trip back was the extensive display of 50’s

memorabilia so graciously shared by TxCRLA secretary, Ann Rogers. This proved to be a touch of nostalgia for some and a “history lesson” for others. Guests enjoyed hamburgers, hotdogs, Cokes, and all the trimmings to the sounds of rock ‘n roll music and were later entertained by the “be-bop” dancing of the Little Wranglers and the Texas Aggie Swingcats.

Dr. Ben Welch, Director of A&M’s Center for Executive Development, both entertained and challenged the educators at Friday morning’s awards breakfast with a sometimes-humorous and sometimes-serious address. He challenged his audience to focus beyond the superficialities of their various job descriptions to the realities of their long-term influence in the lives of their students. Many guests were visibly moved by his message, and many more immediately asked that he be invited back to speak at future conferences. SO! Good news to all fans of Dr. Welch: He’s speaking at the 2006 CRLA/CASP conference in Austin, October 18-21!

CASP ’05 is now history, but the benefits live on in the professional lives of its conferees. Now, the focus is on the joint CASP/CRLA Conference to be held in Austin, Texas. See you there!

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Theme: *Uniting to Share Expertise, Research, and Strategies*

Conference Dates: October 18 - 21, 2006

Hotel: Hyatt Townlake, Austin, TX

Site Chairs: Alan Constant & Mary Ann DeArmond Greenlees

Program Chairs: Sharon Taylor, Betty Black, & Karon Mathews

3 Professional Organizations

2 Excellent Conferences

1 Historic Event

Uniting to Share Expertise, Research, and Strategies

As developmental educators it is our responsibility to stay abreast of the latest research, classroom resources, and best practices in order to better serve the students we have in our classrooms. As professionals we have several avenues at our disposal so that we can meet this responsibility. One of these avenues is to become members of professional organizations and attend the conferences that these organizations sponsor.

October of 2006 presents us as Developmental Educators in Texas a unique opportunity to attend a joint state and national conference.

TADE and TxCRLA have joined forces with CRLA in sponsoring a joint CASP/CRLA conference in Austin, Texas. There is no better way for CASP to celebrate its 25th anniversary than to work in collaboration with a national organization in bringing to our state and our educators a top-notch conference. This conference promises to be a premier conference offering opportunities to attend numerous concurrent sessions and listen to nationally known guest speakers.

CASP 2007 conference co-chair, Lane Johnson, is already busy planning the 2007 conference to be held in October of 2007 in the Woodlands.

She and her conference planning team will do an outstanding job in the planning of the conference and will make sure that we also have a good time in Houston.

Please make plans to attend both the joint CASP 06/CRLA conference in Austin and the CASP 2007 conference in the Woodlands. You will come away from both conferences ready to meet the challenges presented to us as educators.



The online proposal for the 2006 CRLA/CASP conference is now available online <http://www.crla.net/> The deadline is March 15, 2006.



**College
Academic
Support
Programs**

**Conference jointly sponsored by
The Higher Education Coordinating Board
Texas College Reading and Learning Association
Texas Association of Developmental Education**

Conferences/Institutes

CASP 2005 THANKS

The first CASP conference to be held in College Station is now history and hopefully, you were a part of the event! I would never have volunteered to host a CASP conference without the very talented, detailed-oriented individuals with whom I have the good fortune to have on staff and call dear friends. Thank you once again to the following Texas A&M Aggies I hope you all had a chance to meet: LINDA CALLEN, DEBBIE PEREZ, and SHARRON ROBERTS. Good news to those of you who know firsthand of their tremendous skills, Linda, Debbie, and Sharron will be assisting with registration at the 2006 CRLA/CASP conference!

Karon Mathews & Sharon Haigler



A sincere thank you from the CASP board to the entire CASP 2005 team for an outstanding conference!

Austin 2006

The TADE Executive Committee has been working in conjunction with the TxCRLA Executive Committee and the CASP 06/CRLA Co-chairs in the planning of the upcoming joint College Academic Support Programs and College Reading and Learning Association Conference to be held in Austin, Texas next October. If the planning that has taken place is any indication of the caliber of the conference, you are in for a wonderfully invigorating conference. The conference will have numerous concurrent sessions and an array of nationally known guest speakers. Please make plans to join us in Austin at the Hyatt Townlake in October.



Technology Institute for Developmental Educators (TIDE)

The 8th Annual Technology Institute for Developmental Educators (TIDE) will be held July 23-28, 2006 on the Hill country campus of Texas State University-San Marcos. Participants will spend 5 days learning the latest applications with support from nationally recognized technology mentors. TIDE is co-sponsored by CRLA and NADE. For information visit the website at <http://www.ci.txstate.edu/TIDE/TIDEhome.htm>.

Feature Article

Visit with the Commissioner of Higher Education

Reported by Dr. Santiago Silva and Dr. Sharon Pate

On December 14, 2005 Sharon Pate, TxCRLA President; Santiago Silva, TADE President; Mary Leonard, and Sybil Noack, CASP Political Liaisons, met with **Dr. Raymond Paredes**, Commissioner of Higher Education at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in Austin. The purpose of the meeting was twofold:

- To introduce both organizations to the Commissioner and advise him on the goals of both TADE and TxCRLA.
- To offer our assistance in moving his developmental education agenda forward.

Dr. Paredes was extremely receptive and was excited with regards to how we, as the premier developmental education organizations in Texas, could assist him in improving the way we “do” developmental education at Texas colleges and universities. We discussed the existing successful initiatives happening in developmental education programs and classrooms around the state and agreed to pool our resources and to coordinate our efforts to benchmark these best practices. We also agreed to develop additional alternative assessment and delivery methods for our developmental education programs.

Decisions involving developmental education are being made that affect developmental educators and our students. We assured the Commissioner that we wanted to be involved in the process by serving on the different committees/task forces that he appoints. He suggested that we submit names of individuals that represent both of our organizations to serve on these committees/task forces.

It was clear from our discussion with the Commissioner that he feels that the way developmental education is done in Texas must change and that we have to do much more in order to meet the *Closing the Gaps* goals. TxCRLA and TADE will join to provide proactive representation, optimal communication, and models of best practice for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in the coming years.

Legislative Update

IMPACT STATE DECISIONS ABOUT DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION How You Can Participate

When communication is needed from developmental educators to the decision-makers in Austin, CASP has a system, “The Sentinel Network,” designed for this purpose. Many members of TADE and TxCRLA are already on the Sentinel’s email list. We need many more. To join, simply email snoack@austincc.edu with your name, address, phone number/s, and the email address/es you would like us to use in our messages to you. As a member of “The Sentinel Network,” you will be informed about state issues involving developmental education. When necessary, you may be asked to contact the appropriate decision-makers by letter, telephone, or email.

CASP Political Liaisons
Mary Leonard & Sibyl Noack

Conference Speaker

CRLA/CASP 2006 Saturday Brunch

Featured Speaker (Back by popular demand)

DR. BEN D. WELCH

Ben D. Welch has served Texas A&M University in a variety of roles since 1987. He served as the associate director of the Center for Teaching Excellence from 1988-1990. He then joined Mays Business School Department of Management faculty and served as the undergraduate administrative coordinator until 1994.

Dr. Welch assumed the director's role of Mays Business Fellows & Honors Program in 1994. In 1998, he transitioned into Texas A&M's Division of Student Affairs serving as Director of Student Activities with responsibility for over 750 recognized student organizations, the Student Organization Finance Center, Student Government, and Vocal Music.

He currently serves as the Director of the Center for Executive Development and continues to hold the position of Senior Lecturer for the Department of Management in Mays Business School.

Before joining Texas A&M, Dr. Welch worked for the Harris County Commissioners Court, the Fourteenth Judicial Court of Appeals, and several retail affiliates.

Dr. Welch has been the recipient of numerous college and university-wide awards including the Association of Former Students College-level award for Teaching and the University-level award for Student Relations. Other accomplishments have included the John J. Koldus III Faculty/Staff Achievement Award, the Ed Guthrie Advisor-of-the-year Award, and A&M Mentor-of-the-Year Award. He was a recent nominee for the first Presidential Professorship of Teaching Excellence award to be given at Texas A&M University.

Dr. Welch received his B.S. from the University of Dayton, his M.S. from Houston Baptist University, and his Ph.D. from Texas A&M University.



CRLA/CASP 2006 AUSTIN, TEXAS



Uniting to Share Expertise, Research, and Strategies

AWARDS**2005 CASP LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Janith Stephenson was selected to receive the 2005 CASP Lifetime Achievement Award. Janith has devoted close to 20 years to the CASP conference by serving as Site Chairs for the Houston (1985) and Galveston (2003) conferences, Program Chair for Houston (1993), and presenting sessions/institutes at numerous other conferences. She also served as the South Region Representative for TxCRLA (1985) and TxCRLA President (1994). Janith has been involved with developmental education since its infancy in Texas as both instructor and administrator. She retired from College of the Mainland in 2004.

Janith was unable to attend the CASP conference in October so we take this opportunity to offer a heartfelt CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU for your years of service to CASP, TxCRLA, and the students of developmental education!

Dear CASP Board and Fellow members of Texas-CRLA and TADE:

Thank you for honoring me with the prestigious 2005 CASP Lifetime Achievement Award. I am surprised and humbled by this recognition. Professionally and personally, I have been so enriched by my association with leading developmental educators across the state and nation and by serving both organizations and the CASP conferences in various capacities.

Those of us who were at the first conference at the Austin Villa Capri in 1982 felt that we learned so much from other educators across the state that we wanted to continue to meet annually. In Texas, we are fortunate to have the support of THECB and two national organizations for developmental educators: National Association of Developmental Educators and College Reading and Learning Association. It has been quite rewarding to watch the conference grow and change to meet new challenges in developmental education. Now in 2006, we will celebrate our 25th anniversary in Austin. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Thank you again for the special award. I treasure the many friends, wonderful times and memories from CASP.

Sincerely,
Janith Stephenson
Professor Emeritus

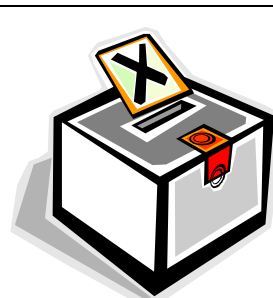
TxCRLA News

TxCRLA President Sharon Pate, Ph. D.

Dr. Sharon Pate has been an educator for more than 35 years. Her passion for helping others learn has guided her in several directions. From elementary education, special education, to college and university teaching, advising and counseling, Dr. Pate engages new challenges with zeal. Dr. Pate has served on the board of CASP (College Academic Support Programs), as newsletter editor and is currently the President of TxCRLA, (Texas College Reading and Learning Association). She has presented research and best practices on academic coaching, tutor training, adult readers, cognitive strategy training, and learning disabilities at several national, local and state conferences.

Most recently, Dr. Pate has been engaged in research, training and practice in the area of assessment for the improvement of student learning. She currently works as Director of Learning Outcomes Assessment at Central Texas College and is also the Director of Texas Assessing Student Learning (TASL), a Perkins grant.

Dr. Pate consults for community colleges who are developing Quality Enhancement Plans for SACS-COC and is working with Dr. Silva (TADE) and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on developing proactive representation for members of TxCRLA and TADE on initiatives dealing with improving Developmental Education in Texas.



TxCRLA Election Results 2005-2006

Karon Mathews is the new President-Elect and Sharon Haigler was re-elected treasurer. President-Elect Sharon Pate automatically became President.

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." William Butler Yeats

TxCRLA

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 2005 to December 30, 2005

Beginning Balance: \$10,735.61

Memberships \$50.00

Credit- Check #1320 (from Stephenson) \$58.95

Total Income: \$10844.56

Expenses:

Nat'l Conf. fees/travel (for Pate & Matthews) \$ 1106.60

Reimburse for expenses (P&M) \$1007.62

Postage for mkt. materials \$84.16

CASP expenses:

CASP Board reimburse \$1852.16

Conf. fee – Sharon Taylor \$125.00

Trophies \$102.88

Marketing materials:

100 Texas bandanas \$95.95

TxCRLA jotters \$1772.50

Turkel – ballot expense \$85.55

Bank service charge/fees \$ 27.00

Total Expenses: \$ 6259.42

Balance to Date \$ 4585.14

Respectfully submitted by:

**Sharon Haigler, Treasurer
TxCRLA**



TxCRLA News, *Continued*

TxCRLA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Total Membership: 101

Join or Renew TxCRLA membership: Application forms are available online at <http://www.txcrcla.org/web/>. Click on Membership, print out the application, fill it out, and mail it to Kathy Stein, TxCRLA Membership Chair. University of Texas at El Paso, 500 W. University, LIB 300/TLC, El Paso, TX, 79986. Membership costs \$10.00 a year.

Check TxCRLA Membership Status: Contact **Kathy Stein**, Membership Chair, at kstein@utep.edu or at 1-915-747-5325.

Join CRLA or Renew CRLA Membership: Application forms are available online at www.crla.net. CRLA membership costs \$50.00 a year. (Remember: As of Oct. 31, 2003, membership in CRLA no longer results in an automatic membership in TxCRLA.)

Help Your Professional Organizations: Encourage other professionals on your campus who work in the areas of reading, writing, math, learning assistance, developmental education, and tutorial services to join CRLA and TxCRLA.

CRLA Report

Submitted by:
Sharon Pate and Karon Mathews

The 38th Annual conference of the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA) was held in Long Beach, California, November 2-5, 2005. In addition to offering many educational concurrent sessions and workshops, the conference provided the opportunity to meet many of the national officers and individuals with whom we (CASP, College Academic Support Programs, members) will be working when the annual CRLA conference combines with the annual CASP conference in a Texas-size professional development opportunity in Austin, October 18-21, 2006.

Obviously one of the highlights was the fact that Texas' very own Russ Hodges of Texas State University, presided over the conference in his capacity as CRLA President. Russ and TSU colleague, Carol Dochen, were among authors signing text books in a special grand opening of the exhibit area. There were numerous Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings; state meetings (the

Texas contingent was among the largest!) and committee meetings, and of course the much-anticipated "On-To-Austin" Brunch at which 2006 conference site chairs, Alan Constant of the University of Texas and Mary Ann DeArmond Greenlees of San Antonio College were featured as promoters of the upcoming Texas conference.

Finally, the location of the Long Beach conference offered several nearby attractions to visit when a break was in order! Visits to area college campuses, the Queen Mary, Catalina Island, and the J. Paul Getty Museum were included in the long list from which to choose.

Thanks to the leadership of now past-CRLA president, Russ Hodges, and the great efforts from many individuals across the nation, the 38th CRLA conference, was certainly a success!



Call for 2006 TxCRLA Nominations

President-elect: Shall be President-elect, serve as co-program chair of the annual CASP conference, assume the chair of the executive committee in the absence of the President, and carry out all duties assigned by the president. The President-elect shall prepare an annual report for presentation at the annual conference.

The term of President-elect includes one year as president and a final year as Past-President for a total 3 year commitment as a Board member. The President elect is expected to attend the CRLA leadership training during the annual conference. A fee waiver is provided.

A letter of nomination must be received by May 31, 2006. Please send to Ms. Peggy Gene Knight at Peggy.Knight@lamarpa.edu.

News**SAD News...**

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that our dear colleague and friend, Dr. Cynthia Peterson (Texas State University), died January 17, 2006, at Methodist Hospital in Houston from complications related to her courageous battle with cancer. Her husband, David Caverly was with her.

Cindy brought diverse experiences to her work. A native Southern Californian, she had B.A. in English from the University of San Diego. She went on to work as a school librarian and English teacher after earning her Master's in Library and Information Science at LSU in Baton Rouge. For 5 years she taught in a New Orleans housing project high school. The unanswered questions from that experience led her to pursue a Ph.D. at the University of Texas at Austin. Her dissertation on background knowledge and literacy was conducted with enlisted Navy reservists.

Cindy was a Navy Reserve officer until her position at Texas State University precluded the service obligations. She taught developmental reading for 5 years at Austin Community College and led several workplace literacy projects. Since 1993, she had been on the faculty of Texas State University-San Marcos, where she was an Associate Professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

She is best known to TxCRLA and CRLA members as the past editor of the *Journal of College Reading and Learning*, to which she added a team of editors and established new policies for publication rigor. She was also known to CRLA as a presenter of numerous technology institutes and papers and as a committee member.

On her campus she prepared pre-service teachers in content area reading, conducted program evaluations, wrote grants, and led university committees. The College of Education recently acknowledged her work as a mentor to students and new faculty members. Her national publications looked at online technology integration, online learning, and the effectiveness of technology-supported reading strategies. One of her publications, *Building Reading Proficiency at the Secondary Level*, is a supplementary textbook in many secondary content reading courses.

During our recent CRLA conference in Long Beach, I had the honor of presenting Cindy with the *Karen G. Smith Special Recognition Award* for her outstanding service to our organization.

A memorial service was held January 26th on the Texas State University campus and a scholarship fund has been set up in her name at Texas State.

Our hearts are with Dave and Cindy's family. Cindy, my dear friend, I will miss you always.

Russ Hodges

Past President, CRLA

NADE Digest accepting submissions for fall issue

"Promoting Communication among Developmental Education Professionals"

The National Association for Developmental Education (NADE) invites you to share your experience and knowledge with the Developmental Education community by submitting an article to its peer-reviewed publication, the *NADE Digest*. The *Digest* was created in response to members' request to have a best practices publication and the need to identify which ideas and practices would most benefit educators and their students. *Digest* articles could include "best practices" articles on topics such as effective teaching strategies, motivational strategies, using technology, and classroom assessment.

The *Digest* is published twice a year in the fall and in the spring. However, manuscripts are accepted all year long. Deadline for the fall 2006 issue is May 19. Manuscripts should be approximately 10 pages in length, including references, tables, and figures. For a complete list of manuscript requirements, visit the NADE website www.nade.net or contact the coeditors for more information.

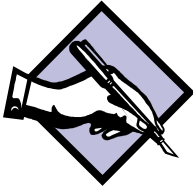
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Publications

Announcement of the "Authors' Corner"

Part of the mission of TADE and TxCRLA is to promote both the professionalism and the professional development of our members. To that end, we would like to acknowledge and share your publications in the field of developmental education. Please send a complete citation of your recent work in our field along with your title and institution to Dr. Rosemary M. Karr, CASP Newsletter Editor, rkarr@ccc.edu.



Will you write the next feature article or success article?

The CASP Newsletter is looking for a feature or a success article for its next issue (Fall 2006). A position paper, book review, program description, or empirical report are all welcome contributions. We have 1000+ readers who want to hear about what you do. Please submit your idea, or a brief overview of your planned submission to rkarr@ccc.edu. Final articles should be 1000 to 1500 words in Times New Roman, 10 point font.

Contributed by Sharon Pate:

"If you aren't in over your head, how do you know how tall you are?" by T.T. Eliot

Authors' Corner

Stein, K. (2005, Fall). Meeting the needs of developmental Latino/Latina students. *Journal of College Reading and Learning*, 36(1), 82-87.

Kathy is the Director of the Tutoring and Learning Center at the University of Texas at El Paso.

Massey, M., (2005) Service-Learning Projects in Data Interpretation. *MAA Notes #66 Mathematics in Service to the Community: Concepts and Models for Service-Learning in the Mathematical Sciences*, 123-130.

Marilyn is a Mathematics Professor at Collin County Community College in McKinney, Texas.

Karr, R. M. & Seale, L (2006). Instructor's Solutions Manual for Coburn's College Algebra. McGraw-Hill.

Rosemary is a Mathematics Professor at Collin County Community College in Plano, Texas.



National Boards

CRLA Executive Board

CRLA began in 1967 to meet the challenges which are unique to teaching reading at the postsecondary level. Today, CRLA has expanded in programming to include the related areas of learning assistance, study skills, developmental education, and tutorial assistance. The state chapter, TxCRLA, teaming with TADE for the State conference, CASP has added to its conference programming math, student assessment and the affective domain of learning.

We are especially grateful for the fine work of the CRLA Board of Directors: Valerie Smith Stephens, President; Russ Hodges, Past President; Sharon Taylor, President Elect; Ann Wolf, Treasurer; Dorothy Bonser, Secretary; Anne-Marie Schlender (Austin CC--Rio Grande Campus), *NewsNotes* Editor; Vicki Papanieu (Central CC), Membership Coordinator; and Karen Agee (University of Northern Iowa), Executive Assistant.

We also offer our congratulations to Emily Miller Payne (Texas State University) newly appointed Editor of the *Journal of College Reading and Learning* (JCRL), and to Elisabeth Moreno and Ed Fernandez (both from UT-Austin) as they continue in their second term as JCRL Managing Editors.

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NADE continues to be led by individuals who are totally dedicated to the principles that govern our developmental education programs throughout the country. These committed professionals work diligently in not only planning incredible national conferences but representing developmental educators from all over the country. The NADE Executive Board is:

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Conference 2006

2006 CRLA/CASP Conference

CRLA
College Reading & Learning Association
39th Annual Conference

CASP
College Academic Support Programs
25th Annual Conference

Uniting to Share Expertise, Research, and Strategies

Austin, Texas
October 18—21, 2006

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Call for Proposals:
Deadline for Proposals is March 15, 2006
For more information and to submit proposals: www.crla.net

The 2006 CRLA/CASP conference is an opportunity to attend two conferences in one unified conference: the 39th Annual CRLA conference and 25th Annual College Academic Support Programs (CASP) conference. CASP is made up of Texas CRLA (TxCRLA) and Texas Association for Developmental Education (TADE).

Three Presidents-Elect chair the 2006 CRLA/CASP conference:

- Sharon Taylor-CRLA
- Betty Black—TADE
- Karon Mathews--TxCRLA

Program strands for the conference will include the following:

- Brain Research, Instructional Theory, and Practices
- Composition/Writing
- Learning Communities and Engagement
- Mathematics/Science
- Professional Practice
- Program Administration, Management, and Supervision
- Reading Theory and Strategies
- Assessment of Programs and Student Learning Outcomes
- Student Populations
- Study Skills/First Year Experience
- Teaching/Learning with Technology
- Tutor Training/Peer Mentoring and Certification

Online proposal and registration forms will be available at www.crla.net

TADE News

TADE TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning Balance: **\$13,728.37**

Expenses: \$2,228.72

Income: \$40.00

Ending Balance: **\$11,539.65**

Joanne Kendall, TADE Treasurer, has taken a new position with Cy-Fair College in Houston. We wish Joanne best of luck in her new position. Students in Cy-Fair will be just as lucky as the students were at Blinn College to have such a dedicated individual assisting them in meeting their educational goals.



Membership Report

As of January 19, 2006, TADE has 120 paid members. Our members, with the THECB, make success possible for under prepared higher education students and nontraditional students.

TADE Election Results for 2005 - 2006

The October elections filled three positions:

Betty Black, President-Elect (2005-2006)

Laura Villarreal, Secretary (2005-2007)

Carolyn Mello, Membership Chair (2005-2007)

In keeping with the organization's constitution,

Dr. Santiago Silva becomes TADE President (2005-2006)

Marilyn Massey will finish her three-year commitment to the organization as Past-President (2005-2006)

Joanne Kendall will finish her two-year commitment as Treasurer (2004-2006).

Congratulations to all and thank you for your willingness to serve!

TADE President Santiago Silva, Ph. D.

Santiago Silva, TADE President, joined higher education almost thirty years ago. He began his higher education career as a Counselor at The University of Texas-Pan American (UTPA) in 1976. He held his counseling position for seven years before he was promoted to Director of the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP). CAMP is a federally funded program dedicated to serving entering freshmen migrant students. The program provided the students with tutorial, advising, counseling, and financial assistance. Santiago then decided to pursue his life-long dream and was accepted into the Counseling Psychology Doctoral Program at The University of Wisconsin-Madison. He received his Ph. D. from UW-Madison in December of 1991.

After receiving his doctorate, Santiago returned to UTPA as the Director of the Counseling and Advisement Center. He held this position for three years and was then promoted to Director of the Learning Assistance Center at UTPA. While at UTPA, Santiago was elected into the NADE Executive Board and served as Secretary for two years. He left UTPA in March of 2000 to become the first Vice President for Student Services and Development at South Texas College, a position he held until August, 2005.

After twenty years in higher education administration, Santiago decided to return to the classroom. In the fall of 2005 he accepted a full-time faculty position in the Educational Psychology department in the College of Education at UTPA. He can be reached by phone---956-292-7482 or by email at ssilva@panam.edu.

TADE News, *Continued*

TADE Best Program Award

TADE offers an award highlighting exemplary programs. The award consists of a plaque for your school. Recognition will be given at the annual CASP Conference, and the winning program will have the opportunity to discuss its components as part of the TADE annual state meeting.

To apply, send a letter of nomination (Limit 2 pages) summarizing the strengths and achievements of your developmental education program. You will need a letter of support from your campus administrator (limit 1 page). Then, provide a description of the developmental education program: mission statement, program components, unique program features, instructional delivery systems, staffing, program evaluation criteria (e.g. percentage of student body served, number of students served through activities, qualitative and/or quantitative research studies on program effectiveness regarding student outcomes, partnerships with other campus or off-campus departments and agencies (limit 1 to 7 pages). You should also send supporting materials of the program -- e.g. campus promotional materials, newspaper/magazine articles describing the program; awards received by the program (limit 1 to 5 pages).

Please submit your materials to the TADE President (ssilva@panam.edu) by May 31.

TADE Distinguished Service Award

TADE is offering a new award for 2006-2007, the TADE Distinguished Service Award. This award consists of a plaque and recognition will be given at the annual CASP Conference. It is designed to recognize an individual for outstanding service to and/or support of TADE.

TADE members are encouraged to submit letters of recommendation to the current president (ssilva@panam.edu) by May 31, 2006.

Call for 2006 TADE Board Nominations

President-elect: Shall be President-elect, serve as program chair of the annual state conference, assume the chair of the executive committee in the absence of the President, and carry out all duties assigned by the president. The President-elect shall prepare an annual report for presentation at the annual conference. The term of President-elect includes one year as president and a final year as Past-President for a total 3 year commitment as a Board member. The President-elect is expected to attend the NADE leadership training in March during its annual conference. A fee waiver is provided.

Treasurer: Shall submit an annual budget for Executive Committee approval, monitor the approved budget, provide a report on income and expenditures to the Executive Committee at each Executive Board meeting, maintain all financial records, issue all checks and purchase orders, prepare regular financial statements for the newsletter and an annual financial statement for the membership at the yearly state conference and conduct all the necessary financial activities of the organization.

Duties also include attendance at board meetings (held in the upcoming conference city): January/February - early in the month, 2 p.m. Friday until noon Saturday.

June- early in the month from 2 p.m. Friday until noon on Saturday.

October- CASP conference, 4 p.m. Tuesday until 4 p.m. Friday.

CASP 2006- Austin, Texas / CASP 2007- Woodlands, Texas

Deadline for nominations is May 31, 2006. Questions and nominations should be directed to Marilyn Massey (mmassey@cccdd.edu).

Apply Now for the 2006 TADE Professional Development Scholarship!

A \$500 scholarship is awarded annually to a TADE member who meets the following requirements:

A recipient must be a TADE member in good standing. The award must be used for professional development and may include a project or research not funded at the applicant's institution (does not include degree research), or it may reflect professional travel or conference attendance not funded or fully funded at the applicant's institution. Please indicate the degree of institutional funding (if any) with application. All materials should be submitted to the current TADE President by May 31, 2006.

A report should be given at the following year's TADE Business meeting reflecting how monies were used. If it is impossible for the recipient to attend, a written report should be sent to the TADE president so members can hear how monies were expended and how the award enhanced the member's professional development.

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