

**2003 – 2004 Annual Historical Data: American Council for Special Education (ACRES)**

<b>Year:</b>	2004 Orlando FL  Rosen Plaza Hotel																	
<b>ACRES Headquarters Location / Host:</b>	During this time period the ACRES Headquarters was dissolved and tasks distributed among the following: Belva Collins at University of Kentucky took over the treasury. Kevin Miller at Buffalo State took over membership. Barbara Ludlow at WVU took over the journal and publications. Mary Susan Fishbaugh on Montana State Univ-Billings took over as historian. Ronda Menlove at Utah State took over our technology.																	
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<p>ACRES Committee <b>Chairs:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Awards / Scholarships: David Forbush</li> <li>▪ Conference Planning: Jack Mayhew</li> <li>▪ Conference Program: Jack Mayhew, Weber State U</li> <li>▪ Financial Oversight: Belva Collins</li> <li>▪ Membership: Kevin Miller</li> <li>▪ Nomination/Elections: Lori Garnes</li> <li>▪ Partnerships/Marketing: Nancy Harriman</li> <li>▪ Editorial Board Liaison : Kate Mitchum</li> <li>▪ Governmental Relations: Steve Street</li> <li>▪ Silent Auction: Phoebe Gillespie</li> <li>▪ Technology: Dennis Cates / Kay Bull</li> </ul>
<p><b>Membership</b></p>	<p>Current Year's Membership #s: Current Year's Membership dues:  _____</p>
<p><b>Advances</b></p>	<p>Advances made by ACRES this year: Books and resources produced and published Political Actions Taken Other</p>
<p><b>Board Meetings</b></p>	<p>How often were meetings held? Monthly except summer Meeting format: Teleconference and in person at the conference Average length of meeting: 1 hour</p>
<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p>	<p>Was there a conference held this year? Yes Conference Chair: Conference Planning Team:  Program Chair: Jack Mayhew</p>

Conference location:

Conference theme: “

Conference dates: March 20 – 22, 2003

Price of conference:

- Were meals included?

**Conference Registration Fees: Received By Received After  
2/21/03 2/21/03**

**Member Full Conference \$275 \$315**

**Full Conference with 1 year membership \$325 \$365**

**Non-member Full Conference \$345 \$385**

**Student Rate \$150 \$175**

**Proceedings:**

**(Please indicate CD only or both Paper/CD) \_\_\_ CD Rom Only \$35 \_\_\_ both Paper/CD \$50**

Conference sponsor(s):

Keynote Speakers and Speaker topic(s): (list)

Honorable R. Fred Lewis, Justice, Supreme Court of Florida

IDEA Update, Jane West

Stevan Kukic, Sopris West, *Closing the Achievement Gap*

*Special ACRES Recognition*; Troy Justesen, Assistant Secretary of Education, & Tracy Justesen,

Panel Discussion on Reading, Stevan Kukic, Moderator

Number of Attendees:


Number of Presenters:

Award Recipients:

**Conference  
Announcement  
RFP**

American Council on Rural Special Education

**ACRES 2004  
CONFERENCE**



**A New IDEA for Rural  
Special Education**

24<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference

Orlando, FL  
The Rosen Plaza Hotel  
March 18-20, 2004

For complete conference and registration details, visit the ACRES website at:  
<http://www.acres-sped.org>

Early Registration Must be Received by February 21, 2004

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The American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) is a rural "community" at the national level, working to improve services to rural individuals with special needs. ACRES members include special educators, direct service providers, administrators, teacher trainers, parents and others who are vitally concerned with the enhancement of services to rural individuals with special needs.

The ACRES Annual National Conference is the only national conference devoted entirely to rural special education issues. It is especially valuable for educators, preservice educators, administrators, service providers, parents, and policy makers to share information and address critical issues affecting the delivery of services for individuals with disabilities living in rural areas.

The ACRES Annual National Conference provides an opportunity for individuals from across the nation who share a commitment to rural special education to:

1. Form an important network of resource people.
2. Attend presentations focusing on critical issues in rural special education.
3. Hear a distinguished keynote address challenging you to higher levels of services in rural special education.
4. Participate in poster presentations featuring recent research and successful models.
5. Learn about exemplary rural special education award winning programs.
6. Converse with ACRES leaders about how your association can be even more helpful to you.
7. Enhance your skills.

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<b>Acceptance Letter</b>	
<b>Conference Program</b>	Peer Reviewers of RFPs: (list) Vendors / Advertisers
<b>Conference Proceedings:</b>	Conference Proceedings Editor
<b>Awards Conferred</b>	Name(s) and Award Received:
<b>Silent Auction Profit:</b>	
<b>Old Timer's Reception:</b>	Yes
<b>Special Entertainment:</b>	Yes - If yes, please explain.

<b>Pre-Conference Offerings?</b>	Yes If yes, please explain
<b>Activities for students only?</b>	Yes or No - If yes, please explain.
<b>Practitioner's Day?</b>	Yes or No - Theme if any
<b>Town Hall Meeting Outcomes Other ____</b>	
<b>Additional Comments:</b>	