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

| Year: | 2004 Orlando FL  
|       | Rosen Plaza Hotel |
| ACRES Headquarters Location / Host: | 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. |
| Board Members: (list or table) | Terry Berkeley, Department of Early Childhood Education Towson MD  
|       | Kay Bull, Oklahoma State U  
|       | Belva Collins, U of Kentucky  
|       | Rosemarie S. Dugi, Northern Arizona U  
|       | David Forbush, Utah State U, Logan  
|       | Britt Tatman Ferguson, Minnesota State U, Moorhead  
|       | Mary Susan Fishbaugh, Montana State U, Billings  
|       | Lori Garnes, Minot State U  
|       | Nancy Glomb, Utah State U, Logan  
|       | Nancy Harriman, Bath Public Schools  
|       | Barbara Ludlow (Ex Officio)  
|       | Jack Mayhew, Weber State U  
|       | Kate Mitchum, West Virginia U  
|       | Steve Street, Minnesota State U, Moorhead  
| Board of Directors: (list or table) | • Chair: Ronda Menlove, Utah State U  
|       | • Past Chair: Phoebe Gillespie, National Center for Special Education Personnel and Related Services  
|       | • Chair Elect: Kevin Miller, U of Central Florida  
|       | • Secretary: Joan Sebastian, National University  
|       | • Treasurer: Jennifer Grisham-Brown  
|       | • Apprentice Historian:  
|       | • Historian:  
|       | • *Consulting Historian:
| ACRES Committee Chairs: | ▪ Awards / Scholarships: David Forbush  
▪ Conference Planning: Jack Mayhew  
▪ Conference Program: Jack Mayhew, Weber State U  
▪ Financial Oversight: Belva Collins  
▪ Membership: Kevin Miller  
▪ Nomination/Elections: Lori Garnes  
▪ Partnerships/Marketing: Nancy Harriman  
▪ Editorial Board Liaison: Kate Mitchum  
▪ Governmental Relations: Steve Street  
▪ Silent Auction: Phoebe Gillespie  
▪ Technology: Dennis Cates / Kay Bull |
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| Membership              | Current Year’s Membership #s:  
Current Year’s Membership dues: |
| Advances                | Advances made by ACRES this year:  
Books and resources produced and published  
Political Actions Taken  
Other |
| Board Meetings          | How often were meetings held? Monthly except summer  
Meeting format: Teleconference and in person at the conference  
Average length of meeting: 1 hour |
| Annual Conference       | Was there a conference held this year? Yes  
Conference Chair:  
Conference Planning Team:  
Program Chair: Jack Mayhew |
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:
American Council on Rural Special Education

ACRES 2004 CONFERENCE

A New IDEA for Rural Special Education

24th 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-need.org

Early Registration Must be Received by February 21, 2004

The American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) is a new "community" at the national level, working to improve services to rural individuals with special needs. ACRES members include special educators, district service providers, administrators, state districts, persons and others who are closely associated with the education 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 administrators, program directors, 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:

1. From an important network of resource people.
2. Great 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. Participation in poster presentations fostering research and successful model.
5. Learn about exemplary rural special education resource networks.
6. Come away with ACRES leaders about how your association can be even more helpful to you.
7. Enhance your skills.

November 4, 2002

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| **Conference Program** | Peer Reviewers of RFPs: (list)  
Vendors / Advertisers |
| **Conference Proceedings** | Conference Proceedings Editor |
| **Awards Conferred** | Name(s) and Award Received: |
| **Silent Auction Profit:** |  |
| **Old Timer’s Reception:** | Yes |
| **Special Entertainment:** | Yes  
- If yes, please explain. |
| **Pre-Conference Offerings?** | Yes  
If yes, please explain |
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| **Activities for students only?** | Yes or No  
- If yes, please explain. |
| **Practitioner’s Day?** | Yes or No  
- Theme if any |
| **Town Hall Meeting Outcomes Other ___** | |
| **Additional Comments:** | |