2008 – 2009 Annual Historical Data: American Council for Special Education (ACRES)

Year:	2009, Hilton Garden Inn, Denver CO		
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	29 th Annual Conference		
ACRES	A CDEC II 1		
Headquarters	ACRES Headquarters Montana Center for Disabilities		
Location / Host:			
	Montana State U, Billings		
Board Members:	David Forbush	Lori Garnes	
(list or table)	Cache County School District, Logan, Utah	Minot State University	
	Vicki Hartley	Mark Fugate	
	Delta State University	Alfred University	
	Nancy Glomb	Effie Laman	
	Utah State University	New Mexico Highlands University	
	Linda Hyatt	Ann Goldade	
	Fort Hays State University	Minnesota State University - Moorhead	
	Charles Salzberg	Ann Richards	
	Utah State University	West Virginia University	
	Cathy Galyon-Keramidas	John Schuster	
	West Virginia University	University of Kentucky	
	Rosemarie S. Dugi	Harvey Rude	
	Montana State University Billings	University of Northern Colorado	
	Britt Tatman Ferguson	Ursula Garrett	
	Minnesota State University	Dakota State University	
	RSEQ EDITORIAL STAFF		
	Belva Collins		
	RSEQ Editor		
Board of Directors:	Chair: Lori Garnes, Minot State U		

(list or table) ACRES Committee Chairs:	 Past Chair: David Forbush, Cache County School District, Logan, Utah Chair Elect: Harvey Rude, Northern Colorado U Secretary: Nancy Glomb, Utah State U Treasurer: Mark Fugate, Alfred U Apprentice Historian: Historian: Steve Street, Minnesota State U, Moorhead *Consulting Historian: Joan Sebastian, National U Awards / Scholarships: Lori Garnes Conference Planning: Conference Program: Jack Mayhew, Weber State U Financial Oversight: Mark Fugate Membership: Vicki Hartley and Linda Hyatt Nomination/Elections: Cathy Galyon Keramidas Partnerships/Marketing: Ursula Garrett Editorial Board Liaison: Ursula Garret and Cathy Galyon Keramidas Governmental Relations: Silent Auction: Vicki Hartley Technology: Effie Laman 	
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: Harvey Rude, Northern Colorado U Conference Planning Team: Dave Forbush, Cache County School District, Utah Effie Laman, New Mexico Highlands University, New Mexico Program Chair: Britt Tatman Ferguson, Minnesota State U, Moorhead Conference location: Denver CO Conference theme: "Peak Experiences for Rural Special Education Improvement"
	Conference dates: March 12 – 14, 2009 Price of conference: - Were meals included? Conference sponsor(s): Keynote Speakers and Speaker topic(s): (list) Mr. Dwight D. Jones Commissioner of Education
	Dr. Lorna Idol, Consultant, Peaceful Solutions to Living and Learning Mr. Bill Esterbrook,
	Assistant Superintendent, Archuleta School District 50, Pagosa Springs, Colorado Dr. Steve Kukic,
	Vice President for Professional Services, Sopris West Educational Services Dr. Ed Steinberg,
	Assistant Commissioner of Education for the Colorado Department of Education and the State Director of Special Education
	Number of Attendees: Number of Presenters:

	Award Recipients:
Conference Announcement RFP	
Acceptance Letter	
Conference Program	Peer Reviewers of RFPs: (list) Vendors / Advertisers Sopris West / Cambium Learning 4185 Salazar Way Frederick CO 80504 (877) 452-0829 www.sopriswest.com Read Naturally, Inc. 750 S. Plaza Drive #100 St. Paul MN 55120 (800) 788-4085 www.readnaturally.com
Conference Proceedings:	Conference Proceedings Editor Linda Hyatt, Fort Hays State U
Awards Conferred	Name(s) and Award Received: Exemplary Rural Special Education Program Awards can be awarded in eight different categories. This year's award goes to Pagosa Springs Junior High School in the Archuleta County School District #5 Joint, Pagosa Springs, Colorado for their use of Response to Intervention (RtI) practices within learning communities to meet the needs of all students. Mr. Chris Hinger, Principal of Pagosa Springs Junior High School accepted the award.

Silent Auction Profit:		
Old Timer's Reception:	Yes	
	Northern Colorado Musicians Mike and Danno Mike and Danno, two 20 year old multi-instrumentalists and vocalists from Northern Colorado, perform a variety of familiar classic covers and original acoustic pop songs.	
Special Entertainment:	Yes - If yes, please explain.	
Pre-Conference Offerings?	Yes - If yes, please explain See above.	
Activities for	Yes or No	

students only?	- If yes, please explain.
Practitioner's Day?	Yes or No - Theme if any
Town Hall Meeting Outcomes Other	
Additional Comments:	Mary Jo Sadler Memorial Membership Fund
	ACRES wishes to thank Dennis and Sue Cates whose generous endowment of the Mary Jo Sadler Memorial Membership Fund has made possible free ACRES memberships for teachers.
	Continuing thanks, Dennis and Sue!