

2013-2014 Annual Historical Data: American Council for Special Education (ACRES)

ACRES Headquarters

Location / Host

West Virginia University served as host for the 2013-2014 year.

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- Technology: Eleazar “Trey” Vasquez III, Ginevra Courtade

Membership

Current Year’s Membership #s:

Information not available.

Current Year’s Membership dues:

Individual \$75 (add \$6 for international)

State or Regional Agency, School Building, or University \$100 (add \$6 for international)

Student* \$25

*Certification of student status required for student membership. I certify that the applicant is currently a student at the institution named above and is not fully employed in a rural special education position.

Advances

Advances made by ACREs this year: *Information not available.*

Books and resources produced and published

Political Actions Taken

Other

Board Meetings

How often were meetings held? Generally 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 or No

Yes the annual national conference was held in Tucson AZ.

Conference Chair: WVU?

Conference Planning Team: Ann Richards, West Virginia U; Barbara Ludlow, West Virginia U; Michael Mayton, West Virginia U; and Registration Help: Donna Staggs, West Virginia U and Mary Higgins, West Virginia U.

Program Chair: Kimberly Floyd, West Virginia U

Conference location: Tucson Marriott University Park, Tucson AZ

Conference theme: Developing Partnerships to Meet Individual Needs Across Rural and Urban Cultural Contexts

Conference dates: March 19 – 22, 2014

Price of conference: *Information not available.*

- Were meals included? *Some food was included.*

Conference sponsor(s): *HANDS in Autism ® Interdisciplinary Training & Resources Center, Indianapolis IN West Virginia U, College of Education and Human Services*

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

Todd V. Fletcher, U of Arizona “International Education, Outreach and Collaboration in Rural Central Mexico”

Ronda Rudd Menlove, State of Utah House of Representatives “Making a Difference: Effective Strategies for Changing State Policy”

Panel Presentation: Darold H. Joseph, U of Arizona; Christopher Margeson, Northern Arizona U; Melissa Rhodes, Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Anslem Yazzie, Nationally Certified School Psychologist “Considerations for Culturally Responsive Transition Planning: Practitioner Experiences with Rural American Indian Communities in Northern Arizona”

Number of Attendees: *Information not available.*

Number of Presenters: *Information not available.*

Conference Announcement RFP



Join Us at the 33rd Annual National Conference of the
American Council for Rural Special Education

*Developing Partnerships to Meet Individual Needs
across Rural and Urban Cultural Contexts*



March 19-22, 2014
Marriott Tucson University Park
Tucson, Arizona

The Call for Proposals is available at <http://acres-sped.org/conference>

Dr. Kim Floyd and Dr. Sara Aronin, Conference Program Co-Chairs,
West Virginia University
FMI: Kim.Floyd@mail.wvu.edu

Deadline for proposal submission is September 1

Information about registration fees, hotel rates, and a preliminary schedule
will be posted on the ACRES web site as soon as it is available.

Please share this announcement with colleagues and students.

Learn more about ACRES and why you should join us at <http://acres-sped.org>

Acceptance Letter

CONGRATULATIONS! On behalf of the 2014 Program Planning Committee, we are pleased to confirm the acceptance of proposal number **XXX** submitted for The 33rd Annual Conference of the American Council on Rural Special Education will be held on March 19-22, 2014 at the Marriott Tucson University Park in Tucson, Arizona. Your proposal titled, **XXXXXXXXXX**, has been accepted.

Please use the proposal number as your reference number for all communication regarding your presentation. This number will be used as your reference number on all future correspondence. Important information relevant to your presentation, including presentation format, date, and time will be sent to you via email in the next few weeks.

We look forward to your participation. We greatly appreciate your commitment to rural and special education!

See you in Tuscon!

Sincerely,

Kim and Sara

Conference Program

Peer Reviewers of RFPs: (list)
Information not available.
Vendors / Advertisers

Conference Proceedings

Conference Proceedings Editor: Naomi Rahn, West Virginia U

Awards Conferred

Name(s) and Award Received:
Bill Winke was presented with the ACRES Eagle Award.

Silent Auction Profit:

The Silent Auction netted \$533.00.

Old Timer's Reception

Yes or No
Yes an Old Timer's New Comers Reception was held.

Special Entertainment

Yes or No
Yes entertainment was available.
- If yes, please explain.
Information not available.

Pre-Conference Offerings

Yes or No

Yes

- If yes, please explain

Pre-session offering included a U of Arizona Biosphere 2 science research facility tour and training session about how to incorporate science learning into the curriculum for students with exceptionalities.

Activities for students only?

Yes or No

None

- If yes, please explain.

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Practitioner's Day?

Yes or No

None

- Theme if any

Town Hall Meeting Outcomes

Information not available.

Other _____

Additional Comments: