



North Carolina Association for Developmental Education

Greetings NCADE Members!!

I hope your Fall semester has started well. There are many updates to share with you.

To begin, Emily Moore has stepped down as President of NCADE as a result of her new Communications position at Wake Tech. As a result, I have stepped into the presidential role a few months early. I am eager to serve and know that I have some impressive shoes to fill.

Our upcoming NCADE conference is going to take place in Raleigh as part of the NCCCS conference. The dates are October 9-11. NCADE members need to register for the NCCCS conference at <https://www.ncsu.edu/mckimmon/cpe/opd/NCCCS/>. NCADE will be holding our annual luncheon and meeting at this conference, and our guest speaker will be Dr. Hunter Boylan. The luncheon is going to be Monday, October 10th from 12-1:15. Each attendee must pay NCADE for the luncheon prior to the conference. Unfortunately, we do not have the exact location or cost yet. That information should be available from the NCCCS conference coordinators the first week of September. As soon as the plans are finalized, I will let you know how you can register and pay for the luncheon prior to arriving in Raleigh. For those of you who have never attended this conference in Raleigh, you can be assured that there will be a plethora of sessions to choose from, including many sessions for Developmental Educators. It is definitely a worthy conference!

The hotels on the conference website are filling up fast. In fact, the Marriott and the Sheraton are already full. As a result, I have contacted the Holiday Inn in downtown Raleigh and reserved a block of rooms under NCADE. If the NCCCS conference block is full, please refer to the NCADE block. The NCADE block of

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rooms is actually \$109/night instead of the NCCCS rate of \$99/night. This is a result of the increase in demand for the rooms. NCADE has a limited number of rooms at Holiday Inn, so please, make your reservations at <http://www.hiraleighdowntown.com/> as soon as possible!!

This past July, we had an NCADE Board retreat in Greensboro. There, we worked on by-law revisions, conference manuals, ideas for our website, and an assortment of other issues. One important issue discussed was the talking points for our organization. We felt we needed to be direct and succinct with these points so that all members can remember them as we share what we do across the state:

- 1) Developmental Education is the Gateway to college success.
- 2) Developmental Education does make a difference.
- 3) Developmental students learn necessary non-cognitive skills for future success.

The talking points can also be found on our website (<http://ncade.net/developmental-education-works/>). We're working on providing data to support each of these points.

We also discussed the importance of our presence at the NCCCS conference and decided that we need to show our pride and support for Dev Ed. As a result, we are going to be selling NCADE t-shirts. I am working on those right now and you will be given the opportunity to pre-order the t-shirts and pick them up at the conference so that we can wear our t-shirts, letting all the community college administrators and instructors know who we are!! More information will be posted on our website soon!

And, about our website...we have a new Webmaster, Kris DeAngelis, and she has already been working on updating it, so keep checking back to see what cool things she is doing. If you have any pictures that you would like her to display on our site, showing the incredible things your Dev Ed classes are doing, please send your photos and any news clips to Kris (Kris.Deangelis@cpcc.edu). She will be happy to post them.

As we approach our conference, we need to fill some positions for the upcoming year. Gabby McCutchen with Durham Tech has agreed to be our Central Regional Chair. We are looking for people to serve as NCADE's Eastern and Western Regional Chairs. These people will be responsible for hosting the Eastern Regional Conference. This responsibility has been made a little easier thanks to Cherise Millsaps, our Conference Site Coordinator. Cherise worked this summer on updating the conference manual so that conference coordinators will know exactly what they need to do! In addition to hosting the Regional Conference, the Regional Conference chairs get to be a part of NCADE's board!!!!

I will be following this letter with a call for nominations for the following positions:

- President-elect
- Treasurer-elect
- Secretary-elect

Two of these positions are new and they, along with the other positions, will be outlined in the call for nominations. Please consider serving on the NCADE Board during this crucial time in our state.

As I bring this update to a close, I would like to remind you to make your reservations for the NCCCS conference, keep checking on our website for CCRG and NCADE news, and be on the look-out within the next few days for the Call-for-Nominations so you can be an even more active member of NCADE!

I look forward to seeing you all in October and serving you over the next year!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Leigh

NCADE President 2016-2017