

Business Meeting Minutes  
September 28, 2005

Florence Elston Inn, Sweet Briar College  
Sweet Briar, Virginia

President Sue Magliaro called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

David Coffman presented the minutes, which were approved.

In the absence of Linda Bradley, Alice Young distributed the Treasurer's Report to be filed as an attachment to the minutes. She reported the balance on hand as of September 28, 2005, was \$15,080.42, with no outstanding expenses at this time. The report was approved.

### **Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Gerald Clay reported the following:

- Membership as of April 8, 2005, is 140.
- The following meetings are scheduled:
  - SRATE Conference, Nashville, TN, October 20-23, 2005
  - ATE Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, February 18-22, 2006
  - ATE-VA Spring Meeting, April 5-7, 2006
  - Summer ATE Conference, Philadelphia, PA (see [www.ATE1.org](http://www.ATE1.org) for dates)
  - Jim Alouf reported that about 200 attended the Summer Conference in Bismarck, ND.

### **Committee Reports**

- Nominations Committee: Pat Shoemaker will chair the Nominations Committee. Joy Moody, Holly Gold, and Jean Braxton volunteered to serve on the committee.
- Teacher as Researcher Awards: Pat reported for Sylvia Auton that presentations were successful at the 2005 Spring Meeting and will be continued at the 2006 Spring Meeting.
- Website: Jurgen Combs at Shenandoah University has volunteered to host the ATE-VA Website.
- Publications (*Journal*): Alice Young has volunteered to be the *Journal* editor and was named chair of the Publications Committee.

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### **Constitution Report**

The ATE-VA Revised Constitution was reviewed with the membership (hard copies had already been distributed) and was open for discussion.

- Constitution: The following changes were made:
  - Article I, Section 3: Add “individuals from State Department” to make it consistent with Article III, Section 1.

- Highlighted changes in Article IV, Section 4.

A motion was made to approve the Constitution for a first review. **The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.** A second vote will be taken at the Spring Business Meeting.

#### **New Business**

Sandy Brownscombe is in charge of planning the Spring Meeting, which is April 5-7, 2006.

#### **Adjournment**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.**, at which time the VACTE and ATE-VA membership met together to discuss the draft document resulting from group work on Thursday, September 29, on the issues coming from the ATE-VA/VACTE Executive Boards Meeting on Wednesday evening, September 28. Paul Sale, President of VACTE, and Sue Magliaro, President of ATE-VA, took notes to make revisions based on comments from the membership.

David E. Coffman, Secretary