

News from the Utah Association for Adult, Community and Continuing Education

February 6, 2001

UAACCE Board Organizes for 2001

New President Takes Control

Hello my name is Cindy Krueger, and I have the honor of being your new UAACCE President. Since I will be working **with** you and **for** you, I thought I might take this opportunity to let you know a little about myself.



Cindy Krueger, UAACCE President

I was born in North Dakota. My family moved to Reno, Nevada and then to Salt Lake City, Utah. I attended Utah State University where I earned my Bachelor's and Master's Degrees. Then I attended University of Phoenix for my Counseling Degree.

I have taught and coached on the high school level for thirteen years. I have been with Adult Education, Southpointe High School, in Jordan School District for five years. I have been inspired and awed by this experience. I have always been extremely passionate about helping students and programs succeed. Therefore, when the opportunity presented itself for me to move into a Board Position for UAACCE and then elected to be your President, on behalf of the state's dedicated educators and administrators, I considered myself to be extremely fortunate. I look forward to the challenge.

I am excited to be affiliated with an organization which helps toward the continued improvement of

lifelong learning by providing and supporting quality adult educational programs. I believe a good education is the key to opportunity. There is nothing, other than the family, that has a greater influence in the life of a student and in society as a whole as does education.

A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of clothes I wore, but the world may be much different because I was important in somebody's life.

Be a part of this winning team. Whether you want to share an outstanding practice at the annual conference, write an article for the newsletter, volunteer your time on the UAACCE Board, write letters to congress, or just attend the workshops and conferences and meet fellow colleagues, you are important to the success of UAACCE. If you would like to be involved please contact me at <u>ckrueger@jatc.tec.ut.us</u> or 801.256.5742. We want to know what you think, what you need, and how we can help as an Association. I look forward to working **with** you and **for** you!

Committee Goals

The UAACCE board has been organized into four standing committees. At each board meeting, the members of the board divide into committees and work to accomplish the goals established at the beginning of the year.



Kim Dohrer, Chair Public Affairs

Public Affairs Committee Goals for 2001

Kim Dohrer–Chair, Gaylin Rollins, Jeff Galli, Lonnie Campbell, Burton Olsen, and Judy Tukuafu developed the following goals:



Andy Shinkle, Chair Professional Development

Professional Development Committee for 2001 Andy Shinkle, chair, Sue Myers, Nikki Lovell, Lou Workman. The committee is looking forward to developing and delivering professional development opportunities for the UAACCE membership.

The feedback on the grant writing workshops, which we conducted last year, was so positive we are planning to offer additional grant writing workshops as well as a follow-up workshop for those attending last year. Watch for news of the new workshops on our web site, http://www.uaacce.org. Also, UAACCE members who are on our UAACCE electronic mailing list (email) should watch for announcements via email. For those not on the electronic distribution list, you may subscribe to the list by visiting our web site to learn how to add your email address to the distribution list. Please let any member of the UAACCE Professional Development committee know of any professional development needs you may have. We are dedicated to meeting all the professional development needs of our membership.

Working with the Legislature

Can you find time in your busy schedule to call your legislator, or go up and visit him/her to let him/her know how important educational funding for education is.

- 1. Presence at Adult Education Meetings and Deans and Directors Meetings
- Personally contact each State School Board Member – Assign a contact person.
- 3. Have each Board member identify a legislature and contact them throughout the year -- share newsletters etc.

Judy Tukuafu, a member of our Public Affairs Committee, recently spent a day at the legislature. Her comments were, "I believe more than ever that we need to work on the personal contacts with our elected state officials. It was clear that people respond to people--people from their districts and people with a real face and story. I even got to ask Governor Leavitt about funding adult ESOL. I think we need to find willing people state wide to join the effort."

Membership Committee Goals for 2001

Russell Collett—Chair, Don Larson, Lynne McKenna, and Cindy Krueger



Russell Collett, Chair Membership

- 1. Outreach to prospects identified last year and get input on Conference or other Workshops our members desire.
- 2. Host a membership social event.

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3. Identify (3) State or Regional Conferences and h a v e U A A C C E information/membership brochures available at a UAACCE table.

Susan Anderson, President-elect, Conference Chair

Conference Committee

Goals for 2001

Susan Anderson—Chair, Sandra Grant, Deborah Young, Kathleen Robinson, Ted Ungricht, Dennis Sampson,

Cindy Krueger

The conference committee under the direction of Susan Anderson, our new president elect, is busily working on our next conference which will be held at the Park City Marriott on October 21-23. They are planning for breakout sessions in each of the following strands:

- < Adult Education----ESOL, Corrections, Literacy
- < Community Education----21st Century
- < Continuing Education----Technology

They are also exploring the need for a Critical Issues forum, who to have for keynotes speaker(s), whether to expand the conference to two full days, and especially trying to decide on a theme. It should be an outstanding conference. Please put the dates on your calendars and look for further information to come out

The mission of the Utah Association for Adult, Community and Continuing Education, as the primary advocate for lifelong learning, is to meet the diverse needs of all Utahns by providing and supporting quality educational opportunities. soon.

If you would like to be a presenter, please contact Susan Anderson or Sandi Grant, our executive secretary, for presenter forms. They will be mailed to all of our members before April.

Winter Workshop

Thirty-one people participated at the UAACCE Winter Workshop in Park City on January 5, 2001. This workshop was the *Reader's Digest* version of two of the most recent national conferences, the LERN Conference, Chicago and the National CommunityEducationAssociationConference, Reno. Members of UAACCE who attended these conferences presented information that has proven successful in other areas of the USA.

Lynne McKenna shared the "Steps to a Successful Collaboration" and provided outstanding material from Austin Independent School District Community Education. Russ Collett presented information on Advisory Councils or "Collaborative Action Teams," as titled in Texas. Texas seems to have a well planned, comprehensive community education model for the 21st century. As one participant wrote, "Bring someone from Texas to the UAACCE conference. They seem to have it together."

Service learning information was shared by Nikki Lovell. The presentation and handouts helped to diagram for us the various ways people experience learning. Different people learn in different ways, so it is important for educators to provide activities that engage each student's learning style. Sandra Grant shared the Best Practices for the 21st Century. The material included a Multiple Intelligence Inventory and "Best Practice" Activities from Franklin Community Education, Wisconsin. A participant wrote "I really feel this (Service Learning) is the wave we need to ride." The Strategy and Mechanics of a Good Proposal was presented by Roxana Johnson, Nebo District Grant Writer. Much information and experience was shared in twenty-five minutes. All were invited to attend the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Bidder's Conference on February 7, 2001.

Those who attended the LERN (Learning Resource Network) convention came back with many of the nuts and bolts needed to financially sustain a program. Luella Jones, recently Utah's first Certified Program Planner (see Special Awards, page 5) gave a presentation on Designing Brochures. Luella guided us through the AIDA'S principle. "A" stands for attracting the Attention of your prospective audience; "T" refers to capture the Interest of your reader in the first two pages; "D" is for creating a Desire for the reader to register for a class, and the last "A" is to facilitate Action by making registering easy. A collection of brochures were shared to demonstrate the do's and don'ts when marketing a program.

Cindy Boyd provided information on Customer Service, Data Gathering and Reports That Work. We learn that it is six times more expensive to get a new customer than it is to keep an old customer. If we want our programs to be financially sustainable, we must include many of the same principles that a successful business uses. There were requests for a workshop at the UAACCE conference on the LERN budget formula.

The winter workshop wrapped up with a presentation on Recognition and Celebration of Volunteers. Nikki Lovell and Sandra Grant shared many fun and creative ways to thank individuals for their contributions. Russ Collett ended the workshop with the Forecast for 2001 handout. Russ thanked those who volunteered many hours presenting, collecting, organizing and copying information that was shared. Thanks also went to Judy Tukuafu for making the facility arrangements and Gail Burningham for her secretarial services. And a big thanks went to each of those who attended. Evaluations of the workshop were very positive. As one participant wrote, "I really enjoyed this workshop. I've learned a lot and would like more of these."

A special thanks to the outgoing board members for outstanding service on the board for many years: Lenora Plothow, Boone Colgrove, David Frost, Pat Thomas Loma Prince.

Special Awards

At our January 12, 2001, board meeting, the UAACCE Local Service Award was given to Kay Evans from South Park Academy. Kay has been instrumental in getting many of the programs started in the Utah State Prison in Draper. Her hard work and dedication have enabled many of the inmates to receive GED and other life skills so that they can succeed in life when they are released. Congratulations to Kay for this award.

More Awards

Luella Jones, was recently awarded a UAACCE scholarship to attend LERN training. As a result of that training, Luella has received the designation of Certified Program Planner, or CPP, by the Learning Resources Network (LERN), and international association in lifelong learning.

By passing the CPP exam in December, Luella has demonstrated knowledge in the ten key lifelong learning areas of expertise. She will receive a gold medallion and certificate at the annual LERN convention this coming December in San Francisco. "The CPP designation is a standard of achievement in the knowledge and understanding of lifelong learning," noted LERN President William Draves. "By becoming a Certified Program Planner, Luella has helped to professionalize the field of educational programming."

As far as we are able to tell, Luella is the first person in Utah to receive this prestigious award. UAACCE congratulates her for her efforts.

Board Profiles

In each issue of the Communicator, we want to help you get to know the board members through our board profiles.



Jeffrey Galli, Board Liaison

Jeffrey R. Galli is a liaison for Prisons and Institutionalized. When asked why he wanted to become involved with UAACCE, he answered, "With the continuing expansion of prison and county jail facilities throughout the state, I felt that UAACCE would benefit from my thirty years of experience in that field."

In 1976, with the assistance of Dr. Lorri Clarke and Dean Oakley Gordon, both from the University of Utah, Jeff was instrumental in establishing the first baccalaureate program for offenders incarcerated at Utah State Prison.

Jeff's philosophy of education states: "There are those who will succeed *in spite of* any help they receive from others, and there are those who will succeed only *because* of the help they receive. By in large, offenders fall into this latter category; thus, the role of the teacher must not be underestimated."

When asked about his experiences with incarcerated offenders, he said, "People are sent to prison or jail *as* punishment, not *for* punishment; it is only when this difference is understood that accountability for outcomes will emerge from the criminal justice system."

We are very fortunate to have Jeff Galli join us on the UAACCE board. If you have any questions about jails or other institutions and how they impact your work, please call Jeff.



Kay Evans receiving Local Service Award from President-elect Susan Anderson

Sandra Grant is the executive secretary for the UAACCE board. She has been an integral part of the UAACCE board for many years. When asked why she became involved with the board, she replied, "My supervisor at the Ogden/Weber ATC thought this would be a good way to connect ATC's with adult education."



While at the OWATC, Sandi wrote all the mathematics curriculum to be job specific per program. Working with each program instructor, a specialized math program was developed and is still being successfully used. Her philosophy about education can be summed up with this statement: **'If you can't**

Burton Olsen Treasurer

learn one thing each day-it's a wasted day."

Sandi has exhibited enthusiasm for her job at the Utah State Office of Education where she now serves as an Adult Education Specialist. She is an outstanding organizer. She has made numerous presentations at state, regional and national conventions. We are fortunate to have her as a member of the UAACCE board. A quote that epitomizes Sandi is, "Life is an adventure and should be lived to the fullest."

Burton Olsen is the board treasurer. He is from the "old school" of community education, back to the days of Israel Heaton and the Mott Foundation. He believes in the grass-roots approach to education. He is currently a Professor in the Department of Recreation Management and Youth Leadership at Brigham Young University. He takes students on rafting trips, fly-tying and fishing trips, and even goes out with them to build snow caves.



Gaylin Rollins Newsletter Editor

His philosophy of education is: "Love to learn, excited to share, and want all to experience learning and reach their full potential."

When asked to provide a quote that epitomized him, he replied, "Hope for the best, prepare for the worst, and take what comes, happily."

Scholarship Information

Each year the UAACCE Board sets aside some money from the previous year's conference fundraising activities to provide scholarships for our members to attend various conferences. If you would like to participate in a conference and would like UAACCE to help meet the expenses for your attending, go to our web page and get the scholarship application for and submit it to Sandra Grant, our executive secretary.

Newsletter Editor

With the retirement of Larry Horyna one year ago, it has become necessary to appoint a new newsletter editor. After much deliberation, Gaylin Rollins has been appointed for the 2001 year. Gaylin is a past president of UAACCE



Sandra Grant, Executive Secretary

and can be contacted at (801)227-2440 or via e-mail at <u>roll0790@alpine.k12.ut.us</u>. If you would like to submit an article about what your institution is doing, we would welcome them. If you have attended a conference where you learned some things that would be of value to other members of our organization, please submit a short summary of the things that you learned. If you have complaints or concerns that should be addressed through our newsletter to others, we want those also.

Deadline Publication date
March 2
April 11 April 17
May 18 May 24
August 10 August 20
September 14 September 21
November 9 November 16

Adult School to Careers Service Center

The Adult School to Careers project at UVSC began in the fall of 1998 as one of several regional grants sponsored by the State Adult Education Office to serve non-traditional adult students. Our population consists of non- highschool graduates, self-supporting out of school youth, young parents, limited English speaking adults, or unemployed or underemployed students with limited skills or training. To date we have served over three hundred and fifty clients in the Mountainland Region.

This particular population of at-risk learners requires education and training services that differ from traditional approaches if their success is to be ensured. This model seeks to capitalize on specific assets of the participating agencies to create a unique education/training opportunity for a population of hard-to-serve, at-risk learners that have not been adequately served. By providing such services, participants will benefit from learning marketable skills that will allow them to obtain and retain meaningful employment; business and industry will benefit from the additional skilled employee base the project will produce; our communities will benefit from the additional tax base these new workers will generate; and each participating agency will benefit by having a new avenue to provide meaningful services and support to their clients.

The Service Center offers a variety of services including: comprehensive assessment of personal, educational, and career needs; educational and occupational counseling; tracking and mentoring support; appropriate level educational placement services; work based learning experiences; and coordination of local resources in association with the Community Action Agency.

The project is a partnership involving: Department of Workforce Services, adult high schools, Department of Rehabilitation Services, Center for Personal and Career Development, Mountainland Advanced Technology Center, Project Read, Community Action Agency, Workforce Investment Act, and Utah Valley State College.

Many of our students attend classes at the Mountainland Advanced Training Center. The most popular classes are computer classes, but we also have students in CNA, Chef Prep, Industrial Baking, Accounting, Medical and Office Skills.

A few of our success stories

We have a young lady from Liberia who is finishing her G.E.D. She completed the CNA program from M.A.T.C. and has a good job. She recently married, and we are helping her husband with computer classes from M.A.T.C.

There is a young lady who was incarcerated at Spanish Fork Correctional Center for two years. She has been released, and is currently attending UVSC and taking computer classes at M.A.T.C. She was given an achievement award by the Mountain Plains Adult Education Association.

We have a 19 year old Hispanic boy who will complete adult high school and the A+ computer repair class at M.A.T.C. by the end of May. He is doing very well.

A 34 year old woman who finished the Commercial Drivers License program and is currently interviewing for a job.

A 21 year old woman who has completed the Certified Nursing Assistant Program at M.A.T.C. in March. She worked part time at a care center while finishing, and is now full time.

A 19 Year old young man just finished adult high school, and will register for a web page design class the starts May 3rd at M.A.T.C. He is registering for classes at U.V.S.C. for the fall in computer graphics and design.

A 20 year old Cambodian girl who went through our career presentations in Provo. Through the Choices program, she discovered an interest in business, and I will help her register next week for U.V.S.C. She is also applying for financial aid.

I have a 36 year old woman who just completed her testing and a written Student Educational Occupational Plan (S.E.O.P.). She dropped out of school after 10th grade, and began having a family. She has not worked, and has no skills or education. Her plan is to finish adult high school, and then enroll in medical or dental assisting.

For more information about this program, call Dennis Hales at (801)764-7548.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 7	21st Century Learning Center Grant
	Bidders Conference in Ogden
Mar. 14	Adult Ed Advisory Committee
	Meeting
Mar. 29-30	Light on Literacy Conference,
	Provo Marriott
Apr. 4-6	Adult Ed Director/Coordinator
	Meeting, St. George
Apr. 11	Adult Ed Advisory Committee
	Meeting
Apr. 26-28	Mt. Plains Adult Education
	Association Annual Conference,
	Albuquerque, New Mexico

Statewide Literacy Conference Provo Marriott Hotel, March 29-30 Contact Sandra Grant (801)538-7844

UAACCE Board Meeting Schedule

February 9 USOE
March 9 Ogden
April 20 Moab
May 11 Orem
June 8 Brigham City
July 13 Provo
August 10 UEN
September 14 Park City
October 21 Park City
November 9 Jordan
December 14

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