

## 2010 Delegates Assembly State President Report

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### Significant Past State Activities – March 2009 - March 2010:

We developed a document "The Roots of AEAI", for our membership, which describes our history as an association in our State. We successfully implemented on-line registration at our Fall Convention. We developed significant changes to the AEAI Constitution and Bylaws, which were passed by our general membership. We offered profession development workshops throughout Indiana sponsored by District and Division Representatives. Due to an attempt by Indiana's Superintendent of Public Instruction to reform teaching certification practices, AEAI rallied was able to help make significant changes that will better represent processes for art teachers. We continued to participate in our application for 501c3 status, in collaboration with NAEA. Though the turn out was not as high as expected, we held our annual Fall Convention in Indianapolis with keynote addresses from art critic Terry Barrett, artist Jaune Quick-to-See Smith, and NAEA Executive Director, Deborah Reeve. Advocacy efforts were completed with collaborative efforts with Indiana's music ed. association and the state chapter of NEA.

### Significant Planned State Activities - March 2010 - March 2011:

The Fall Convention, in Ft. Wayne, IN will have keynote addresses by Eric Jensen and artist Bill Wolfe. Several grant opportunities are being initiated to hold down costs. A web designer is working with an ad hoc committee to develop a new site for AEAI. Due to a bad economy in Indiana, AEAI is working hard to continue to advocate for art programs throughout the state. School board members are being targeted as the best audience for this effort, which includes personalized letters from the President of AEAI. A membership drive is being developed and will be revealed at our Summer Retreat. Committee work will continue to look over our Operational Handbook to improve the way we do things on our Council and in the state.

### Upcoming Conference/Professional Development Activities:

Professional Development workshops will continue throughout Indiana over the summer, planned by District and Division Representatives. Western Region will meet in Omaha during this summer, attended by the President and President Elect. Convention activities at Ft. Wayne will continue to be planned by our Fall Convention Committee.

**Association Work on NAEA Strategic Plan Initiatives**

Learning—develop effective leadership, teaching and advocacy for art education: Significant leadership activities will be pursued at our Summer Retreat in July.

Community—build a professional community: Web development will continue with blog pages for each District and Division Representatives. The AEAI Listserve continues as the most expedient of communication devices for getting the word out. Our standard publication (CONTACT) will continue to celebrate the activities of our members. Informal District Meetings will bring together art teachers to discuss new ideas and issues that are current.

Research/Knowledge—assess programs/services and provide access to information on policy: Executive Council members will continue to regularly look over aspects of our association. Changes in operation will advance our abilities to work more smoothly and in a timely fashion with members across the state.

Advocacy—communicate the value of visual arts: Letter to school board members will continue that advocate programs and attempt to dissuade reductions in schools.

**Other new information from your State:**

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