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## Annual AESA Election Issue

### **2004 AESA Convention (A joint meeting with the History of Education Society)**

#### **AESA Theme for 2004**

***Education at the Crossroads:  
Critical perspectives on the struggle for  
quality schooling and  
educational rights for all children.***

November 3 – November 7, 2004  
Kansas City Marriott Downtown  
200 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri  
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#### **Context of the AESA Meeting in Kansas City**

May 17, 2004 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Board of Education* Topeka Kansas, a decision that held that separate but equal schools were inherently unequal. A landmark decision that, with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, held promise for the transformation of the quality of education in the U.S. Topeka is located 63 miles from Kansas City and features the *Brown v. Board of Education* National Park and Washburn University's Law School.

Lawrence, Kansas, a short 40 miles from Kansas City is the home to Haskell Indian Nations University, originally the United States Indian Industrial training School is now a center for education to serve the educational needs of American Indian and Alaska Native people from across the United States. President Karen Swisher remarked: "In 1884, 22 American Indian children began an educational experience designed to prepare them for assimilation into the American mainstream. What was once an institution that promoted assimilation is now an institution that takes pride in promoting the philosophy of self-determination for American Indians and Alaska Native people and nations."

In addition, our 2004 meeting will immediately follow the November 2, 2004 presidential election, an election that marks a crossroads for education policy in the U.S. with serious implications for P-12 schools as well as for teacher education programs.

"*Kansas City* is a city with an appetite for great food, great music and good times." Here are a few of the places of interest in or around Kansas City:

- Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art
- Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art
- The American Jazz Museum
- The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum
- Vine Historic Jazz District with many of jazz clubs
- 5 different casinos
- Year-round City Market (Midwest's largest farmer's market)
- Kansas City Zoological Park
- Hallmark Cards
- Truman Center
- Famous for its spicy B-B-Q (over 80 barbeque restaurants in KC)

#### Program Update:

We had an excellent set of proposals for this year's meeting. There were a total of 278 proposals including 191 papers, 42 symposia, 31 panels, and 14 alternative sessions. The program committee is finished reviewing all these proposals and members should now have received notices regarding proposals. Our new electronic submission process went well. Thanks to those members who asked questions and thus assisted us to improve the system as we progressed. If you have suggestions regarding the on-line system, send them to Kathleen deMarrais.

Kathleen has been working with David Labaree, president of the History of Education Society to coordinate efforts for this joint meeting. Both groups will jointly sponsor one of the keynote addresses. Look for details about the Butts and Kneller lecturers as well as other special co-sponsored events through the AESA listserv.

#### Kansas City Hotel Information and Reservations:

Room rates at the KC Marriott Downtown are \$99.00 for single/double plus state and local taxes (13.6%). Bed types (i.e. double/double or king) are based on space availability and cannot be guaranteed, so make your reservations early if you have special requests for bed types. To receive the special AESA group rate you will need to make your reservations by October 4, 2004. Call 816/421-6800 for reservations.

## Annual AESA Election Issue

<p style="text-align: center;">The slate for Executive Council positions includes:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Secretary</b> Rhonda Jeffries</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vice President</b> Dennis Carlson Jesse Goodman</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Executive Council</b> Dan Butin Leila Flores-Dueñas Jaylynn Hutchinson Stuart McAninch Tom O'Brien Judith Preissle Sandra Spickard Prettyman</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Voting Procedures</u> Brief bios on these candidates are included in this newsletter, along with a ballot and stamped envelope to use for mailing in your votes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for one Secretary, one Vice President, and three Executive Council members.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Secretary Nominee – Rhonda Jeffries</b></p> <p>Dr. Rhonda Baynes Jeffries is Associate Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policies at the University of South Carolina. She began her higher education career at the community college level assisting adults in basic education and GED preparation. She has served in the capacity of minority recruitment coordinator at the university level, and prior to joining the University of South Carolina, was on faculty at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee. There she taught and directed research in the masters program in cultural foundations and the doctoral program in urban education. Currently, she teaches in the area of curriculum studies with a focus on helping educators and various community agents understand the links between curriculum and culture using qualitative research methodologies. Her research interests include understanding the educational experiences of marginalized people, and her work often examines educational phenomena through a performance theory lens. Dr. Jeffries is the author of <i>Performance Traditions Among African American Teachers</i> and co-editor of <i>Black Women in the Field: Experiencing Ourselves and Others Through Qualitative Research</i>, as well as numerous articles in her area of scholarship.</p>
<p>A Note from the Editor:</p> <p>I would like to express thanks on behalf of the AESA membership to the hard work of the Nominating Committee in gathering the names and bios of the nominees. Members of the Committee:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Loyce Caruthers, University of Missouri Kansas City, Chair</p> <p>Virginia Batchelor, Medaille College      Mary Grimes, Fayetteville State University Harry Smaller, York University              Lynn Zimmerman, Purdue University-Calumet</p>	

**Vice President Nominee –  
Dennis Carlson**

Dennis Carlson is a professor in the Department of Educational Leadership at Miami University and past director of the Center for Education and Cultural Studies. His background is in the sociology of education. His books include: *Teachers and Crisis: Urban School Reform and Teachers' Work Culture* (1992), *Making Progress: Education and Culture in New Times* (1997), and *Leaving Safe Harbors: Toward a New Progressivism in American Education and Public Life* (2002). He is also co-editor, with Michael Apple, of *Power/Knowledge/Pedagogy: The Meaning of Democratic Education in New Times* (1998), co-editor with Thomas Oldenski of *Educational Yearning: Democratic Education and the Journey of the Spirit* (2003), and co-editor with Greg Dimitriadis of *Promises to Keep: Culture Studies, Democratic Education, and Public Life* (2003).

**Vice President Nominee –  
Jesse Goodman**

Dr. Goodman is currently a professor in both Curriculum and American Studies at Indiana University. In addition, Dr. Goodman is one of three Co-Directors of the Harmony Education Center, an organization committed to reforming schools within an ethos of democracy and social justice. His scholarly interests include the relationship between education, democracy, and social justice; issues of school reform; teacher education/socialization; and research methodology. He has had over thirty manuscripts on these topics published in a wide variety of scholarly journals and books, and he has received five national awards for distinguished research. Dr. Goodman's book, *Elementary Schooling for Critical Democracy*, draws heavily upon the works of John Dewey and was published in 1992 by the State University of New York Press. He is currently completing a book entitled, *Reforming Schools: Working within a Progressive Tradition During Conservative Times*, and is also working on several manuscripts related to the National School Reform Faculty, an organization committed to providing opportunities for educators to engage in substantive discourse about the education of children in the United States within a context of equity and authentic academic achievement.

**Executive Council Nominee –  
Dan Butin**

Dan Butin is an Assistant Professor of Education at Gettysburg College. Dan's publications have appeared in *Teachers College Record*, *Educational Researcher*, and *Educational Studies*, among other journals. Dan is the editor of *Teaching Social Foundations of Education: Contexts, Theories and Issues* (Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, forthcoming) and *Service Learning and Higher Education: Critical Issues and Directions* (Palgrave, forthcoming). His research and publications focus on the intersections of critical multiculturalism and poststructuralist thought, teacher education, and alternative pedagogical strategies. Dan is on the editorial board of *Educational Studies*. Prior to his PhD work, Dan taught middle school math and science on the Jemez Pueblo in New Mexico. He also has experience in the non-profit world, serving as the Chief Financial Officer of an educational non-profit prior to teaching.

**Executive Council Nominee –  
Leila Flores-Dueñas**

Leila Flores-Dueñas is an Associate Professor in the Department of Language, Literacy & Sociocultural Studies at the University of New Mexico, where she teaches courses in sociocultural studies, literacy, bilingualism and teacher education. She has published articles and chapters on the following topics: multiethnic literature and text comprehension, home and school discourse and literacy learning, and bilingualism and literacy learning.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Executive Council Nominee – Jaylynn Hutchinson</b></p> <p>Jaylynn Hutchinson is Associate Professor of Cultural Studies in Education at Ohio University. She has been director of the Institute for Democracy in Education (IDE) for the past six years, sponsoring an annual conference on democratic education and publishing a journal entitled, "Democracy &amp; Education" that provides a place for teacher, parent and student voices. Jaylynn supports AESA as one of only a handful of professional education associations where social justice and anti-bias education is promoted, and diverse views and people come together to meet and dialogue about theory and practice that matter. Her background is in philosophy of education with a focus on narrative and the democratic community. Among other peer-reviewed articles, she has written "A Queasy Scholar Considers Cultural Studies" in <i>Philosophy of Education 2000</i>, and most recently, a chapter in an edited volume. Her chapter is entitled "Democracy Needs Strangers – and We Are Them" in the book <i>No Education Without Relation</i>, edited by Charles Bingham and Alexander Sidorkin (2004).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Executive Council Nominee – Stuart McAninch</b></p> <p>Stuart McAninch is an Associate Professor in Urban Leadership and Policy Studies in Education at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He is particularly interested in furthering dialogue in AESA about university teaching as a form of labor and about integrating labor issues into foundations curricula. Recent experience in this area has included serving as president of the UMKC chapter of the American Association of University Professors, serving as a member of the Executive Committee of the Missouri Conference of the AAUP, serving as a member of the UMKC Faculty Senate, and recent election to the University of Missouri Intercampus Faculty Council. He has authored or coauthored articles published in <i>Educational Foundations</i>, <i>Educational Studies</i>, <i>Educational Theory</i>, and <i>Theory and Research in Social Education</i>, as well as chapters that have appeared in several books. He is currently organizing with colleagues in AESA a symposium on labor issues and writing on education faculty analysis of (and influence on) school desegregation efforts.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Executive Council Nominee – Thomas V. O'Brien</b></p> <p>Thomas V. O'Brien is Associate Professor of Education and coordinator of the education department at The Ohio State University at Mansfield. Previously, he was an Assistant and Associate Professor in the department of educational foundations at Millersville University. He has been a member of AESA since 1992 and has served the organization as a member of Critics' Choice panels and program committees. As a historian of Southern education, Dr. O'Brien's work explores issues pertaining to the politics of race, desegregation, school law, school funding, philanthropy, and black leadership. Dr. O'Brien's first book is <i>The Politics of Race and Schooling: Public Education in Georgia, 1900-1961</i> (Lexington, 1999). He has recently embarked upon a historical research project on the life and work of Joseph W. Holley, founder of what is now Albany State University (GA). Dr. O'Brien has published essays, research, and reviews in a number of scholarly journals including: <i>History of Education Quarterly</i>, <i>Journal of Negro History</i>, (now called <i>Journal of African American History</i>), <i>Journal of Southern History</i>, <i>Peabody Journal of Education</i>, <i>Educational Studies</i>, and <i>Teachers College Record</i>.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Executive Council Nominee – Judith Preissle</b></p> <p>Judith Preissle is the 2001 Distinguished Aderhold Professor in the College of Education at the University of Georgia, where she is a co-founder of the social foundations of education program. Her areas of expertise are the anthropology of education and qualitative research design. She is the coauthor of <i>Ethnography and Qualitative Design in Educational Research</i> (1984, 1993), the coeditor of <i>The Handbook of Qualitative Research in Education</i> (1992), and the coauthor of <i>Educating Immigrant Students</i> (1998). She has authored articles appearing in such journals as the <i>American Educational Research Journal</i>, the <i>Anthropology of Education Quarterly</i>, the <i>Journal of Contemporary Ethnography</i>, the <i>Review of Educational Research</i>, and <i>The Elementary School Journal</i>. She completed a term in 2003 as coeditor of the "Research News and Comment" section of <i>Educational Researcher</i>. A participating member of AESA since 1999, she has served on the 2002 program committee and the 2004 Kneller Lecture Committee. She is a former schoolteacher and has leadership experiences in the Council on Anthropology of Education and the American Educational Research Association.</p>

**Executive Council Nominee –  
Sandra Spickard Prettyman**

Sandra Spickard Prettyman is an Assistant Professor at the University of Akron. She currently serves AESA as the Book Exhibits Coordinator, and is on the Editorial Board of *Educational Studies*. Sandra has been a member of AESA since 1998 when she first presented as a masters student. Sandra teaches courses in Social Foundations of Education and Qualitative Research and is currently involved in an effort to develop an interdisciplinary program in Qualitative Research at the University of Akron, along with a Research Methods Lab to support it. As a sociologist of education, her primary research interests focus on the relationship between gender and education, with specific interest in identity development. She is also interested in understanding, interpreting, and evaluating alternative forms of pedagogy, in order to better comprehend and improve the teaching and learning process for all students. Sandra served as guest editor for a special issue of *Educational Studies* that focused on adolescence, gender, and schooling, and she has several book chapters in edited texts, along with other journal articles and numerous conference presentations.

**MORE CONFERENCE INFO!**

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*2004 AESA Critics' Choice Committee  
–Kansas City Conference*

Each year, the AESA Book Exhibit chooses members to participate on the Critics' Choice Committee. The purpose of the Critics' Choice Award is to increase awareness of recent scholarship that is of special interest to members of AESA. Critics' Choice selections are prominently displayed at the Book Exhibit and a special bibliography is published in the AESA newsletter. The procedures for serving on the committee are quite simple, recommend two books published since 2001 which you feel qualify as "outstanding books and may be of interest to those in educational studies." This broad guideline is meant to generate exposure to the widest range of scholarly work. The Critics' Choice Committee looks for members who represent a diverse range of disciplines and backgrounds. If you are interested in serving on the Committee, please contact Sandra Spickard Prettyman (ssandra@uakron.edu) by the end of August.

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*2004 AESA Book Exhibit Room –Kansas City Conference*

The AESA Book Exhibit room for the 2004 conference in Kansas City is expanding: its hours, its offerings, and its scope. We will offer brown bag lunch opportunities to meet with authors and publishers, have displays of videos and computer programs, and provide extended hours so members will have greater opportunities to visit and examine the exhibits. We will be open Thursday and Friday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. On Saturday, the Book Exhibit Room will be open from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. At this time we will close to prepare for the book distribution. The book distribution will take place on Saturday beginning at 1:00 pm. Graduate students will be allowed to enter from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. After this, the book distribution will be open to graduate students and faculty members. Suggested donations for this year's distribution are \$7.00 for graduate students and \$10.00 for faculty members. Look for details about the book exhibit and its offerings in your program.

AESA authors who wish to have their books displayed in the Book Exhibit Room at the conference in Kansas City can contact Sandra Spickard Prettyman, AESA Book Exhibit Co-Coordinator (ssandra@uakron.edu). Please contact Sandra no later than September 15th and provide all pertinent publishing information for books you would like to have displayed. In addition, authors may bring their own copies of books to display at the exhibit. However, please still contact Sandra so that a complete list of participating authors can be available at the exhibit. All requests must be received by September 15<sup>th</sup> so that arrangements and preparations can be made in advance. We look forward to an exciting 2004 Book Exhibit and hope to see you at the conference.

## American Educational Studies Association: 2003 Financial Report

**INCOME:**

Membership Dues:

<u>Regular (498 x \$45.00)</u>	\$ 24,402.00
<u>Student (226 x \$30.00)</u>	\$ 6,780.00
<u>Emeritus (23 x \$ 35.00)</u>	\$ 805.00
<u>Institutional (3x\$ 105.00)</u>	\$ 315.00

Registration:

<u>Regular Pre-registration (84 x \$45.00)</u>	\$ 3,780.00
<u>Student Pre-registration (31 x \$30.00)</u>	\$ 930.00
<u>Paypal Regular Pre-registration (39 x \$45.00)</u>	\$ 1,755.00
<u>Paypal Student Pre-registration (35 x \$30.00)</u>	\$ 1,050.00
<u>Regular On-site registration (52 x \$60.00)</u>	\$ 3,120.00
<u>Student On-site registration (31 x various [range of \$20-\$40])</u>	\$ 1,155.00
<u>Emeritus On-site registration (2 x \$40.00)</u>	\$ 80.00

Conference:

<u>Book Exhibit</u>	\$ 1,571.00
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Mailing Lists:

<u>Publishers (LEA, etc.)</u>	\$ 1,200.00
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**Total:** **\$ 46,943.00**

**EXPENSES:**

Publications:

<u><i>Educational Foundations</i></u>	\$ 4,000.00
<u><i>AESA News and Comment</i></u>	\$ 2,000.00
<u><i>LEA (Educational Studies)</i></u>	\$ 3,150.00

Operating Funds for Officers:

<u>Secretary</u>	\$ 2,000.00
<u>President</u>	\$ 300.00
<u>Vice President</u>	\$ 250.00
<u>Treasurer</u>	\$ 400.00
<u>Conference Site Coordinator</u>	\$ 470.74
<u>Conference Program Coordinator</u>	\$ 1,000.00

Other:

<u>CSFE Membership Dues</u>	\$ 2,250.00
<u>Statutory Representation (CT Corp)</u>	\$ 210.00
<u>Incorporation Fee (State of Delaware)</u>	\$ 20.00
<u>CASA</u>	\$ 70.00
<u>Spring Executive Council Meeting at AERA</u>	\$ 476.78

Tax Preparation (for 2002)	\$ 495.00
Returned Check Fees (Member non-payment)	\$ 45.00
Bonding for Treasurer	\$ 326.03
PayPal Account Establishing Fee	\$ 250.00
Check Printing/Account Stamps (Transfer of AESA Treasury)	\$ 95.00

Conference Expenses:

Sheraton Hotel, Mexico City	\$17,944.70
R. Freeman Butts Lecture	\$ 3,500.00
Kneller Lecture	\$ 3,500.00
Dues Refund for Family Emergency	\$ 30.00
Book Exhibit Expenses (International Shipping)	\$ 105.00
Misc. (Flowers)	\$ 75.85
Printing Conference Programs	\$ 1,744.60
Shipping Programs (International Freight c/o Dianne Smith)	\$ 500.15

**Total:** \$-45,208.85

(Total Balance for 2003: \$ 1,734.15)

**Total Assets as of 12/31/03:**

Checking	\$ 7,851.50
General Operating Fund	\$ 15,997.22
Money Market	\$ 1,858.18
Reserve Fund	\$ 25,934.80
Educational Studies Fund	\$ 33,556.10
PayPal (Money Market, Less Pre-registrations [\$6,881.68 - \$2,805])	\$ 4,076.68
Maxine Greene Fund	\$ 20,594.71
Kneller Fund	\$112,572.33

**Total:** \$222,441.52

Submitted by Deron Boyles, AESA Treasurer

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