

THE COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN  
**TEACHER EDUCATION DIVISION**

**REPORT OF:** REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REPRESENTATIVE  
ASSEMBLY

**DATE:** October 30, 2006

**FROM:** MARILYN FRIEND

**TERM:** January 2005 - December 2006

**GOALS:**

1. Communicate from RA to TED Board essential information related to the organization's activities, planned policy changes, strategic plan, and other items of interest and relevance to TED.
2. Convey from TED Board to RA the organization's views on issues that have been raised, initiatives for discussion by RA, concerns related to policies and strategic planning, and other information as requested.
3. Represent TED at RA face-to-face meetings and during RA on-line discussions.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

1. Represented TED at RA meetings during the annual CEC convention in April 2006.
  - a. Conveyed TED position on the content of and procedures being used to establish a CEC template for evidence-based practices. As a result of this participation TED was invited to participate in the continued discussion of this matter. Change are being made in both the content and procedures.
  - b. Conveyed TED position on the structure and overall functioning of the RA. This topic is being addressed now by the CEC Board.
  - c. Conveyed TED position on the issue of having the convention in Utah, a location that is not respectful of the range of human diversity, including individuals who are GLBT.
2. Participated in RA discussions of these items as TED representative:
  - a. The issues surrounding responsiveness to intervention as a criteria for determining eligibility for services in the area of learning disabled.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

No action items at this time. NOTE: RA typically is relatively quiet in the fall. In addition, the use of a new electronic discussion format is resulting in some communication problems. More activity is anticipated for the January-April 2007 period.