**POST-CONFERENCE UPDATES**

**Membership Matters**

*TexTESOL-V Executive Board 2008-2009:*
- President: Martin Guerra
- President-Elect: Cathy Watkins
- Past President: Caroline DeCoux
- Treasurer: Mellanie Clay
- Secretary: Nicole Goode
- Membership Officer: Margaret Redus
- Publications Coordinator: Rita Deyoe-Chiullán
- Publications Copy Coordinator: Jey Venkatesan
- Technology Coordinator: Mary Peacock
- Advertising Manager: Diana Urrutia
- Member-At-Large: Janine Kornegay
- Advocacy Representative: Liz Martin
- Elementary Ed Representative: Jayme Lynch
- Secondary Ed Representative: Elizabeth Smith
- Higher Ed Representative: Anne Savidge
- Adult Ed Representative: Cindy Brennan

**COMING SOON...**

Board Members’ photos and biographies will soon appear on the website. The Treasurer’s Report will be linked to the Winter Newsletter as receipts and debits related to the Conference are still being received and posted to the account. Proposed Revisions to Constitution and By-Laws were approved and the current Constitution and By-Laws will be linked to the Winter Newsletter. The Minutes of the 2008 General Membership Meeting will also be placed on the website and linked to the Winter Newsletter.

**Brief notes...**At the Annual Fall Retreat and Meeting of the outgoing and incoming TexTESOL-V Boards on November 22, 2008, Elizabeth Smith was nominated and elected to fill the Secondary Education Representative vacancy that was created when Cathy Watkins was nominated and elected to the President-Elect position at the Annual Membership meeting.

**Teaching Opportunity: Adjunct Faculty**

Richland College- ESOL 0031 8002 (Level 1) 8:00 - 9:20 a.m., Tu & Th, Jan. 30-May 14. 2008. Contact Diana Urrutia <dmurrutia@dccc.edu> for details.

**OUR TexTESOL Fall Conference**

**November 6-8** at the Renaissance Dallas Richardson Hotel and Eisemann Center

*WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!*

Presenters and participants gathered from near and far to share an informative, thought-provoking retreat from the daily pressures of our many tasks. The Keynote Speakers were Kathleen Kenfield, Nancy Cloud, Sandra Briggs, and Carol Chapelle. Featured Speakers John Segota, Laura Ayala and Georgina Gonzalez updated us on important information at the Federal and State levels. Featured as Publisher Presenters were Gretchen Bernabei, Keith Folse, and Carolyn Graham. Keynote and Featured Speakers also conducted follow-up/prelude breakout sessions. Rose-Mary Rumbley provided regional humor as the Awards Luncheon Speaker.

Nearly one hundred concurrent Demonstration, Paper, Workshop, and Colloquium sessions were enthusiastically received by the participants. Three Pre-Conference Institutes offered by Mary Peacock and Diana Urrutia, by Gretchen Bernabei, and by Leslie Neal were enjoyed by participants who enrolled to attend these workshops. Over thirty vendors provided exhibits at the conference and TexTESOL V gratefully acknowledges the support of these Corporate Sponsors: Pearson/Longman, Santillana USA Publishing, National Geographic School Publishing/ Hampton Brown, Heinle Cengage Learning, and Oxford University Press.

A summary of reviews of the “favorites” among sessions our Board members attended will be posted on the website and linked to the Winter Newsletter.

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR...**

**TEA/ESC XIII sponsored PASA Conference**

**SOCALLT 2009 Georgetown, TX, Feb.13-14,2009**
[www.socallt.org](http://www.socallt.org) (Language Learning Technology)

**NABE 2009 Austin, February 18-21, 2009**
[http://www.nabe.org/conference.html](http://www.nabe.org/conference.html)

**TWU Cultural Connections Conference, Denton, February 26-27, 2009**
[http://www.twu.edu/o-sl/intercultural/culturalconnectionsconference.html](http://www.twu.edu/o-sl/intercultural/culturalconnectionsconference.html)

**TESOL Convention Denver, March 25-28,2009**