

AMTE Affiliate Annual Report 2008

This report is to be filled out by the Affiliate president or treasurer. Please attach a copy of this form to the Affiliate Annual Renewal Form. Please submit all materials electronically.

Report Completed by: [Pamela K. M. Smith](#) Date Completed: 2/15/08

Full Name of Affiliate: [Rocky Mountain Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators](#)

Abbreviated Title: [RMAMTE](#)

Affiliate President: [Pamela K. M. Smith](#) Term Expires: [October 2009?](#)

Affiliate President Elect: [Robert Powers](#) Term Expires: [October 2009?](#)

Affiliate Secretary: [Michelle Chamberlain](#) Term Expires: [October 2010?](#)

Affiliate Treasurer: [not yet known](#) Term Expires: [not yet known](#)

Number of Affiliate Members: [approx. 40](#) Affiliate Dues: [??](#)

Has your Affiliate revised its constitution since your last annual report?

Yes ___ No ___ NA * ___

Does your Affiliate have a mission statement?

Yes ___ No * ___ NA ___

If yes, attach it to this sheet.

Does your Affiliate have your own tax-exempt status?

Yes ___ No * ___ NA ___

Does your Affiliate have a Web site?

Yes ___ No * ___ NA ___

If yes, does it link to the AMTE Web site?

Yes ___ No ___ NA * ___

Please attach a list of the following, or insert below.

- A list of Affiliate meetings, meeting minutes, and activities for the past year.
- List of Affiliate events for the upcoming year, including date(s) and location(s).
 - Affiliate Conference Announcement (if applicable)
- A copy of your Affiliate's constitution if it has been revised.

[During most of 2007, our affiliate has been in the organizing stage. Our most official meeting yet occurred in October of 2007, at the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Conference in Denver, CO.](#)

[The minutes of this October 2007 meeting follow:](#)

[RMAMTE Annual Working Meeting
Summary of Discussion](#)

Friday, October 5, 2007 at the Annual Conference for the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Denver, CO

Prepared by: Michelle Chamberlin

Number of members present: 13-14

Names that I recall: Pam Smith, Robert Powers, Jim Loats, Lew Romagnano, Paul Kennedy, Kate Canine, Michelle Chamberlin, Scott Chamberlin, Clark Dollard, Mark Rogers, Mary Sloan, Brooke Evans

Topics of Discussion:

- Officers Elected:
 - President: Pam Smith
 - President Elect: Rob Powers
 - Secretary: Michelle Chamberlin
 - Treasurer – will elect in a year or two; possibly when we decide whether to collect dues
 - Possible ways to use dues – to bring in guest speakers, offset travel costs or electronic costs for getting together
- Future Activities:
 - MAA Regional: Ask if we could have a strand and then in spring determine how many people are going and decide whether we want to have a strand devoted to mathematics teacher educators or just a session
 - 2008 CCTM: Want to have a strand devoted to mathematics teacher educators. In spring, work with CCTM to inquire about having such a strand. Also, elect a subcommittee to be in charge of organizing and hosting the strand.
 - Become deliberate about recruiting members – may require phone calls and personal contact, also probably want to recruit at regional MAA and CCTM
 - ColoMATYC: Possibly have a session devoted to mathematics teacher educators
 - In a year or two, possibly consider having a distance/virtual workshop for RMAMTE. Probably should be on a weekend when people can get away from other responsibilities
 - Incorporate social get-togethers for these various conferences
 - When we do have a strand at a conference, perhaps we want to organize those strands around the work that we do as mathematics teacher educators: preparation in elementary math, secondary content, secondary methods, graduate math ed, etc.
 - May want to consider inviting someone from AMTE to be a guest speaker during our strand at CCTM in 2008
 - When have sessions at various conferences, don't just have typical presentations – also include some working meetings, panels, etc.

- We may want to establish a newsletter and/or website in the future, but we decided to wait a few years to establish the group.

The RMAMTE will be organizing a session at the regional meeting of the MAA in April 2008 at Black Hills State University in South Dakota. The following text (copied from an e-mail to our membership) contains the details:

Hello everyone!

We have arranged for a special session at the Rocky Mountain Section of the MAA. I've copied below the description. You can find more information about the conference at http://newton.bhsu.edu/~ccard/MAA-meeting/maa_spring08.htm We want to highly encourage you to submit to present in our session or in any of the other sessions. Proposals are due by Monday, March 3.

We are also thinking about getting together for lunch on Saturday after the conference ends. We'll let you know more about the lunch as we get things arranged.

Thanks and looking forward to seeing everyone in April!
Michelle

Special Session:

Partnering to Improve K-12 Mathematics

Organized by Ben Sayler (BHSU - CAMSE), Michelle Chamberlin (UW), and Robert Powers (UNC)

In this session, we invite talks related to how university faculty and K-12 leaders are working to strengthen mathematics education. Topics in which university faculty and K-12 leaders are working together are welcome, including university-school district partnerships, changes in K-12 instruction, and teacher professional development projects. In addition, topics relevant to teacher education are welcome, including ideas, innovations, and investigations of programs of preparation in elementary mathematics, secondary mathematics, methods of teaching mathematics, and graduate mathematics education. This session is partially sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators (RMAMTE).

Also, the RMAMTE plans to meet at the September 2008 CCTM conference and organize a strand of sessions dedicated to issues regarding mathematics teacher education.

The following is our current constitution:

**CONSTITUTION
OF
COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATORS**

ARTICLE I

NAME AND AFFILIATION

Section 1

The name of this organization shall be the “COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATORS.”

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

Section 1

The purposes of this organization shall be to:

- promote the improvement of mathematics teacher education in the state of COLORADO.
- promote leadership among mathematics teacher educators in the broad mathematics education community.
- serve as a clearing house for ideas and resources in teacher education in mathematics.
- disseminate information about mathematics education issues in the state of COLORADO.
- encourage research related to mathematics teacher education, especially research which identifies factors that contribute to improving the preparation and professional development of mathematics teachers at all levels.
- encourage and support programs for prospective teachers at all grade levels, especially for members of traditionally underrepresented populations.
- facilitate communication among mathematics teacher educators at the elementary, secondary, community college, college, and university levels.
- coordinate activities and work collaboratively with other associations and organizations concerned with the preparation and professional development of mathematics teachers (such as CCTM and the state office of education).
- facilitate collaboration among mathematics teacher educators who are faculty members at different universities or from different educational administrative units, such as departments of mathematics, departments of education and school districts.
- create an awareness and knowledge of different preservice mathematics teacher education programs and/or professional development activities in the state of COLORADO.
- encourage and organize programs and meetings focusing on issues related to the preparation and professional development of mathematics teachers.
- work cooperatively with state and national certification and testing agencies to enhance the mathematical, pedagogical, and clinical preparation of prospective

teachers of mathematics at all levels (kindergarten through grade sixteen) with respect to criteria for credentialing and licensing of teachers.

- foster the incorporation of appropriate technology into teacher education programs in mathematics at all levels.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1

All those who are interested in the teaching of mathematics, the professional development of mathematics teachers or the preparation of prospective mathematics teachers shall be eligible to regular membership. These individuals include, but are not limited to, district mathematics specialists from school districts across the state and the faculty at the following institutions of higher education in the State of COLORADO: Adams State College, Aims Community College, Arapahoe Community College, Colorado Christian University, Colorado College, Colorado Northwestern Community College, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State University, Colorado State University at Fort Collins, Colorado State University at Pueblo, Community College of Aurora, Community College of Denver, Fort Lewis College, Front Range Community College, Jones International University, Lamar Community College, Mesa State College, Metropolitan State College, Morgan Community College, Northeastern Junior College, Otero Junior College, Pikes Peak Community College, Pueblo Community College, Red Rocks Community College, Regis University, Trinidad State Junior College, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, University of Colorado at Denver, University of Colorado at Denver & Health Sciences Center, University of Denver, University of Northern Colorado, University of Phoenix, and Western State College.

Section 2

The Executive Committee may establish various types of membership in the organization, and establish a schedule of dues. All dues-paying members shall be eligible to vote.

Section 3

Membership shall provide the Secretary with an email and mailing address. A member shall be considered to have adequate notice of elections, meetings and other business of the organization if the appropriate information is mailed to one of these addresses (email or regular mail) 14 days before the business is to be acted upon.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1

The organization will be governed by an Executive committee. The Executive committee will consist of a President, President-elect, and secretary.

Section 2

The board will be composed of a representative from each participating institution of higher education in the State of COLORADO and one representative from the group of district mathematics specialists. The board will be appointed by the President.

Section 3

The President-Elect and Secretary shall be elected during the annual conference each September/October. When a new President-Elect is selected, the previous year's President-Elect shall become the President of the organization.

Section 4

The responsibilities of the President-Elect are, but are not limited to, organizing the conference for the following year.

The President's responsibilities are, but are not limited to, the following: remain informed of current mathematics issues in the state; function as a liaison between CAMTE and CCTM and the Colorado Department of Education; disseminate this information to the remainder of the CAMTE membership; organize the elections at the next conference.

The Secretary's responsibilities are, but are not limited to, keeping a record of executive committee meetings and any board meetings. He/she will also be responsible for maintaining the membership for the organization.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1

There shall be at least one membership meeting during the academic year, and such other meetings as the Executive Committee shall decide.

Section 2

An organization financial report shall be reviewed and approved by the membership at each membership meeting.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS

Section 1

An amendment to the Constitution may be proposed (a) by a majority of the members of the Executive Committee and Board or (b) by a majority of the members at a regular meeting.

Section 2

An amendment which has been proposed shall become effective when ratified by two-thirds of those responding in a general membership vote. A general membership vote can either be conducted by mail (email or regular mail) and the two-thirds would be of those who respond to the vote or at a general membership meeting and the two-thirds would be of those present at the meeting.

ARTICLE VII

DISOLUTION CLAUSE

Section 1

If at any time the COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATORS ceases to function, all assets and property held by the association, shall after the payment of its liabilities, be paid over to an organization selected by the final Executive Committee. This selected organization shall have a similar purpose as the COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATORS.

Section 2

The decision to dissolve shall be initiated by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee and Board. The voting membership of the COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATORS would then be polled by mail. If two-thirds of the ballots returned favor dissolution, the organization would then be dissolved.

