

CATE Past-President's Report 2023-2024

June 14, 2024

This has been another very busy year, It has been wonderful working with Leyton, Sheryl and a very committed executive. As Past-President, I have had three main areas of activity this year: the CATE Working Conference, the WFATE Conference Organizing Committee, and coordinating the Graduate Student Recognition Awards.

CATE Working Conference

- Co-hosted the 2023 CATE Working Conference titled: *Research in Teacher Leadership in Canada: Transformative and Contextualized Agency*, with President Leyton Schnellert and Research Assistant Valerie McInnes. The conference was held October 12-14 at Brandon University, Manitoba. We had 43 participants from multiple provinces and hosted three check-in events with authors. The peer review process has been completed and final chapters are due July 1. The CATE Working Conference authors and editors are hosting a symposium at the CSSE Conference. Please join us on June 13 1:30-2:45 in Arts W-120. We are hoping to have the book completed late in the fall with a book launch January 2025.
- Initiated a research study into the impact of the CATE Working Conferences. If you have attended at least one Working Conference and would like to complete a survey and/or volunteer to be interviewed about your experiences, please [click here](#) or email smithc@brandonu.ca.

WFATE

- Attended the WFATE Conference in Victoria July 12-14, 2023 and presented a session on CATE as an organization together with Sheryl and Leyton
- Participated in the WFATE conference organizing committee and the initial theming of proposals
- Attended 5 of 6 WFATE Board meetings

CATE Theses and Dissertation Recognition Awards

- Reviewed submissions, communicated with applicants, arranged for their awards
- Coordinated participation in the AGM and Poster Presentations session
- Collated material about Award winners and their research for CATE website
- Communicated with CSSE re free memberships for award recipients

It has been a great honour to serve on the CATE Executive for the last six years. I have made wonderful friends, developed new skills and developed valued connections with teacher educators across the country. I highly recommend members put their name forward for open positions and get involved with the CATE Executive. These folks work tirelessly on your behalf and have fun doing it.

Respectfully submitted by Cathryn Smith