



First Annual TAAC Symposium

On September 17, 2016, the Hawaii Education Association (HEA), in partnership with the Hawaii Department of Education Career and Technical Education Section, University of Hawaii Manoa College of Education, and Pi Lambda Theta – Beta Zeta Hawaii Chapter, hosted the first annual HEA Teaching As A Career (TAAC) Symposium. Seven future teacher club advisors or teachers in the Department of Education's CTE Education Pathway attended the symposium. The purposes of the symposium were:

- To engage high school teachers in guided discussion sessions to strengthen the CTE Education program and initiatives, including Performance-Based Assessments, Community Partnerships and Work-Based Learning.
- To network and create an informal professional learning community of high school teachers, as well as state level and university educators, engaged in motivating and developing future educators.



Participants in the TAAC Symposium engaged in discussion.

- To provide an opportunity for teachers in the Education Pathway to share best practices, knowledge and instructional resources and tools.
- To inform and involve secondary teachers in the teacher education learning continuum of new programs and initiatives at the high school and university levels.

Special thanks go out to the symposium planning committee, comprised of classroom teachers and representatives from the sponsoring organizations, for helping to make the first annual HEA TAAC Symposium a success.



June Motokawa
President

President's Message

Dear Member,

Thank you for the years of gifts and support of HEA's programs and future plans. Your membership reflect your ownership of the Association, and your voice enables the Board of Directors to move the HEA towards its future.

You may recall that I once asked you what HEA will look like and what will we be doing in the future? What shall we do with our monies? Who will we be on our 100th Anniversary in October 2021?

Shall we continue with our current programs as we are now until we have no more monies?

I also asked - will we become a part of HSTA's professional development and independent foundation? How much of a part . . . totally? partially?

Big decisions are ahead of us as we begin the next phase of HEA's strategic plans and long term goals.

Because of the big decisions, the Board of Directors contracted with Ezuka Law Offices, LLC consult this past October to conduct a Business Operations Audit and to develop, distribute and compile a Needs Survey/Scan of HEA's membership and the broader education community.

Until we receive the results from the above services and make decisions on the results, (March 2017) the Board will continue its Programs: *Teaching As A Career; planning and implementing an expanded scholarship program; partnering with HSTA for professional development (ExTL); and developing an updated website. We will hold in abeyance the Membership Plan, the Fund Development Plan, and the Governance & Operations Plans.

As noted in a prior letter to you, the Board is reviewing and working on the Articles of Amendment and the ByLaws with HEA's attorney, Brian Ezuka. The documents will be available to you at the Annual meeting for a vote of acceptance.

The Board is challenged and engaged positively with some excitement on planning HEA's future.

Thank you to All for your patience as we work through planning the next 3-5 years.

Have a great and joyful holiday season!

*See article on Teaching As A Career first successful Symposium on page 1.

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It's that time of the year!

Annual Contribution Fundraising Campaign Drive

HEA needs your help to reach our goal of \$28,000. Your contributions are invaluable and help to grow and strengthen the Association's work as a 501(c)(3), helping to improve the educational future of Hawaii. Some of the current HEA programs that your donation will help are:

- Scholarships
- TAAC (Teaching As A Career)
- ExTL (Professional development partnership with HSTA).

No gift is too small. Please note that all contributions to HEA are fully tax deductible.

Scholarships Available in February 2016

HEA Scholarships

HEA High School & Undergraduate Scholarships

- High-School Seniors planning to enter college.
- Undergraduate College Students.

HEA Educator Scholarship

- Active Educators who wish to continue their education while in service.

HEA Student Teacher Scholarships (sponsored by Helen MacKay)

- Scholarships are to minimize the need for employment during the student teaching semester.

Endowed Scholarship

Hiroshi and Barbara Kim Yamashita HEA Scholarship - \$2,000 (1 available)

Thanks to the Hiroshi and Barbara Kim Yamashita Estate and the friends and family who donated money to continue this scholarship for Education majors.

- Offered to an **Education major** intending to teach in a Hawaii public school at the elementary or secondary level. (1 available)

To obtain application forms, please visit our website at head.com during February 2017 or call our office at (808) 949-6657 or toll-free at 1-866-653-9372.

Mahalo!

HEA would like to thank the following supporters.

For their generous contributions to the HEA Endowed Scholarship Fund:

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Thank you all for your continuing support.



Happy Holidays!



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