



NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations to New and Renewed NBCTs

SEVA hosted a celebration of the 17 new and 21 new NBCTs in Region 2 at Virginia Wesleyan College on Friday February 5, 2016. We were also pleased to include Kathy Autrey, a new NBCT from Gloucester.

A welcome was given by Dr. Scott Miller, the new president of VWC. The evening included refreshments and remarks by Elizabeth Edwards from the National Board and Eleanor Joyce from the Virginia DOE.

The evening included the announcement of this year's Karen Shinn Award recipient, Karen Aita, of Northampton County Public Schools.

Congratulations to the following: (Renewals are in bold print.)

Chesapeake: Nancy Daniels, **Frank Duvall**

Hampton: Julie Back, **Kelly Sowden, Shirley Sypolt**

Isle of Wight County: **Lisa Meier**

Newport News: James Thomas Swords, **Eleanor Joy Barclay, Shannon Bowman Floyd, Carey Snowe,**

Norfolk: Paula Eisen, Lenore Heron,

Northampton County: Edgardo Castro, Reuben Quanbeck, **Karen Aita**

Southampton County: **Hilliary Story**

Virginia Beach: Kelly Boyd, Kelly Dausel, Jenna Free, Lacy Krell, Donna Revellon, Thomas Quinn,

Diane Tegtmeier, Cheryl Valeriano, **Elizabeth Bryant, Anne Fox, Camilla Walck,**

Williamsburg-James City County: Celena Hodnett,

Judith Brinsfield, Lynda Davis, Amy Hicks,

Richard Lampert, Sarah Lichtel, Debra Todd,

Catherine Weston, Mallory Young

York County: Deborah Wesley, **Amy Brown**

Call for Nominations

The offices of President, Second Vice President and Treasurer are up for election this November. They are two year terms.

Self-nominations are welcome. Nominations will be accepted until September 30, 2016. To submit a nomination or to get more info, email President Amy Brown.

Visit our website: www.sevanbctrn.org

Workshop for Candidates and Renewal Candidates Held

A full-day workshop was held on February 27, 2016. Sessions were available for candidates working on Components 1, 2, or 3, as well as time for networking with each other and with current NBCTs. A session for renewal candidates was also provided.



Statewide Network Update

A meeting of the Virginia NBCT Network was held on Friday, March 11. Director Autumn Nabors conducted the meeting at the Teaching and Learning Conference in DC, which included the ratification of our by-laws. Anyone interested in joining the network should registration at:

<http://goo.gl/forms/r1jgYJbzmj>.

A website is in its early stages- visit: www.vanbct.wordpress.com to stay informed.

Informational Meetings Planned

To help inform and encourage educators to pursue certification, SEVA will be holding two informational meetings in May. Additional meetings are planned for next September. If you would like a meeting at your school or school district office, we would be happy to accommodate you. Please contact President Amy Brown.

Saturday, May 14, 2016
Norfolk Public Library (Mary Pretlow Branch)
10:00-11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 26, 2016
York County Public Library (Tabb Branch)
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Teaching and Learning Conference 2016

Around 2000 educators from around the country attended the 10th Annual Teaching and Learning Conference held in Washington, DC. from March 11th through 13th. Four members of SEVA, Mary Flaherty-Nobile, Sarah Payne, Carey Snowe, and Nancy Winter Traynor attended various sessions during the conference as well as attending the meeting for the Virginia Network of NBCTs.

Important Update for World Languages Candidates

Beginning with the 2016-2017 registration cycle, World Languages candidates must meet the National Board World Languages Standards for language proficiency by providing official American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Speaking and Writing Proficiency Certificates with a rating at or above the required level.

http://www.boardcertifiedteachers.org/sites/default/files/WL_Candidates_Prerequisite_FAQ.pdf

Next Board Meeting: Saturday, May 14, 2016
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Pretlow Branch of Norfolk Public Library
(Following Informational Meeting)

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