# AERA SIG: Ecological/Environmental Education Not a Newsletter\*

## May 1995

### IN SAN FRANCISCO

The April 1995 AERA Annual Meeting in San Francisco was the most successful so far for our SIG. We sponsored five sessions on the program at which a most interesting set of papers, roundtables and addresses were presented. Many of the papers set a high standard of discussion and promise some interesting directions which can be pursued in New York in 1996.

SIG members who were unable to be with us in San Francisco are encouraged to look at the following sessions in the AERA program to find out more about what was presented: 8.18, 15.01, 31.47, 37.29 and 45.58.

#### SIG: EEE HAS BY-LAWS

At the Membership Meeting on 18 April 1995 a set of by-laws for the SIG: EEE was adopted. A copy of these is enclosed.

While recognising that not all members were able to be present at this meeting, it is required by AERA rules that by-laws 'be drafted by the end of the third year of continuous operation of a SIG'.

Please feel free to comment on these by-laws and to move amendments for consider-ation at our next meeting in New York.

## **EXECUTIVE IN TRANSITION**

After three eventful years of leading the SIG: EEE from a humble beginning to a viable and vital group, Pat Thompson has stood down from the role of Chair.

Pat has provided inimicable leadership over this period and all SIG members are most grateful for her contributions. Pat will, of course, continue as Past Chair of the SIG until the 1997 meeting and we look forward to her ongoing contributions to the workings of SIG: EEE for many years to come.

During this nascent stage of our SIG's existence, Pat was ably assisted by cofounders Michael Brody as Secretary/Treasurer and Peter Corcoran in program matters. That our SIG begins its more formal operations on a sound footing owes a great deal to their efforts. Thanks Pat, Michael and Peter!

## **ELECTIONS**

As part of the transition to operating under the new by-laws, the following nominations have

been received for the new Executive of the SIG: EEE (see profiles overleaf):

Chair: Annette Greenall Gough Chair-elect: Michael Brody Secretary/Treasurer: Gregory Smith (Past Chair Pat Thompson completes the Executive *ex officio*)

If there are no further nominations, these members will take office as from the 1996 New York meeting. Any further nominations should be forwarded to the Past Chair (in her role as chair of the SIG: EEE Nominations Committee) at the following address by 30 June 1995:

Patricia J. Thompson Lehman College—CUNY 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West Bronx NY 10468-1589 USA

If additional nominations are received Pat will organize an election. *Please note that only financial members of the SIG are eligible to nominate and vote for office-bearers.* 

Prior to the 1996 Annual Meeting, the following SIG members will act as an interim Executive:

Past Chair: Pat ThompsonProgram Chairs: Annette Greenall Gough and Noel GoughSecretary/Treasurer: Michael Brody

#### FINANCIAL MEMBERS

If your address label has a red dot on it, Michael's records show that you are not a current financial member. If so, and as soon as possible, please send \$5 (\$10 for AERA nonmembers) to:

Michael Brody Reid Hall—College of Education Montana State University Bozeman MT 59717 USA

#### **PROPOSALS FOR NEW YORK**

Proposals for presentations at the 1996 AERA Annual Meeting in New York should be sent, by the due date, to:

Annette Greenall Gough and Noel Gough c/- Faculty of Education University of Victoria PO Box 3010 Victoria BC CANADA V8W 3N4

\* SIG newsletter formats must be approved by the Executive Officer of AERA and, as this has no such approval, it is 'not a newsletter'. This approximation has been prepared by the 1996 Program Chairs.

Please note that this address is different from that given in the AERA Annual Meeting Call for Papers. Both addresses will find us, but proposals sent to Victoria will reach us faster!

In evaluating and selecting proposals we plan to follow the standards and procedures used by the AERA Program Committee, including blind review of paper proposals. We invite members who are willing to review proposals to send a note to that effect to the above address (or to volunteer *now* by email to <noelg@deakin.edu.au> or <aggough@ deakin.edu.au> or by post to: Faculty of Education, Deakin University, 662 Blackburn Road, Clayton, Victoria 3168, Australia).