

NC SOPHE

North Carolina Chapter of the Society for Public Health Education

Chapter at a Glance 2006

Chapter	Year of Designation: 1965 Chapter Year: October 2005 – October 2006 Tax Exempt Status: 501(c) (6)
Membership	Total: 149 National Members: 24 Fee Rates: \$25.00 Regular / \$12.50 Student / \$0.00 Emeritus
Elected Officers	President, Nicolette Warren-White, November 2006-October 2007 Past President, Annette Carrington, November 2006-October 2007 Vice President, Dorothea Brock, November 2005-October 2006 President-Elect, Ann Houston, November 2005-October 2006 Treasurer, Marquis Eure, November 2005 – October 2007 Secretary, Deborah McAllister, November 2005-October 2006 Historian, Barbara Bishopric McNinch, November 2005 – October 2008 National Delegate, Regina Pulliam, November 2005 – October 2007 Member-at-Large, Julie Sweedler, September 2004 – October 2006 Member-at-Large, Julie Gooding Smith, November 2005 – October 2007 Member-at-Large, Marcy Green, September 2004 – October 2006 Member-at-Large, Rodd Smith, November 2005 – October 2007 <u>Executive Committee Meetings:</u> November 5, 2005; December 5, 2005; January 6, 2006, February 10, 2006; April 7, 2006; May 12, 2006; August 10, 2006; September 8, 2006 Full Membership Meetings: March 10, 2006 and October 4, 2006
Secretarial Support	Leslie Hicks NC_SOPHE@YAHOO.COM (336) 638-3207
Meetings/Events	<i>Midyear Meeting:</i> What We Can Do Together A total of 3.5 CECH were awarded to 9 CHES at the Midyear Meeting on March 10, 2006 at SciWorks in Winston-Salem, NC. <i>Annual Conference:</i> Models that Work for a Healthy North Carolina: Addressing Health Disparities through Best Practice A total of 7.0 CECH were awarded to 11 CHES at the Annual Meeting on October 4-5, 2006 at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte in Charlotte, NC.
Publications	Membership directory for new members (annually) New membership application (as needed) Newsletter (three this year) and SOPHE News and Views (two articles this year) Legislative Agenda/Position Statement (annually) Web Page (as needed)
Web Page	www.ncarolinasophe.org
Awards (2005 and	Nominations accepted in 2005 were presented at Midyear 2006 special award

2006)	<p>ceremony.</p> <p>Kathy Kerr Outstanding Health Education Project was awarded to Healthy Alamance Smoke Free Restaurant Campaign for 2005.</p> <p>Promising New Health Educator was awarded to Lauren Jones from the Franklin County Health Department for 2005.</p> <p>The Outstanding Health Educator was awarded to Cynthia Gary from the Franklin County Health Department for 2006.</p>
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A. NC SOPHE accomplishments:

- The organization continues to maintain a healthy balance in all accounts with a total cash asset of \$16, 970.94. Sources of revenue were membership dues, Midyear and Annual Meetings, and a grant award from National SOPHE.
- NCSOPHE actively recruited new members. This year, we had a total of 30 new members.
- NCSOPHE’s website was updated and enhanced to include a revised Job Bank posting and created a Student Internship posting section on the NCSOPHE’s website.
- The Advocacy Committee created a newsletter called Advocacy Update. The Advocacy Committee supported two resolutions, one from the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction about Sun Safety and another resolution from the North Carolina Alliance for Health about Secondhand Smoke. In addition, an Advocacy Toolbox was added to the NCSOPHE website.
- NCSOPHE is considering developing a course based upon the Seven Responsibilities of the Entry-Level Health Educator. NCSOPHE collaborated with the Office of Healthy Carolinians and Health Education to sponsor the North Carolina Health Education Faculty and Practitioner Planning Meeting to discuss the Competencies Update Project (CUP) and the health education competencies course.
- The NCSOPHE Research Committee was re-activated to coordinate the call for student abstract submissions for poster sessions at Midyear/Annual Meetings.

B. NC SOPHE challenges:

- Identifying new leaders to serve on the Executive Committee continues to be a challenge to the Chapter.
- NCSOPHE contracted with NetCorps to update the website. NetCorps has not completed website updates in a timely manner. This has created many delays in the Chapter’s ability to improve the functions of the website and services to the membership. NCSOPHE’s website is an essential part of the Chapter’s ability to communicate with its members and others.

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