Session 1. Introductory Session

Session 2. PEDS Information and Data Use. AACTE discussed the potential of expanding the size of the PEDS database to include assessment information that would be helpful to teacher education units. Some members questioned whether a project of such size should be undertaken by AACTE or should be left to state and/or national agencies.

Session 3. AACTE Membership Value Discussion. This meeting was a discussion of the value of an AACTE membership. The intent to publish a financial statement for AACTE was reaffirmed.

Session 4. State Days on the Hill. Members of state associations who had visited state capitols made presentations.

Session 5. Demonstrating Teacher Education Effects: Developing the Profession through Licensing and Accreditation. Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond, Stanford University.

Session 6. A Conversation with P-12 Partners. Dr. Elvis Epps, Assistant Principal, Dr. John Smealie, Assistant State Superintendent for Certification and Accreditation, Maryland State Department of Education, and Dick Flanary, National Association of Secondary School Principals discussed current themes in teacher education from various P-12 perspectives.

Session 7. ACSR Business Meeting. This meeting conducted no business this year and was for information only.

Session 8. 2008 Presidential Candidate Education Platforms. Panelist Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond, Stanford University, presented the Democratic education platform as the education consultant for Mr. Obama. Note: The representative from the McCain campaign was unable to attend and so no education platform information was provided.

Session 9. Implementing the TEACH Grant. Jane West & Mary Harrill-McClellan.