



## A Letter from the President

### Gratitude

I have been honored to serve on NADE's Executive Board for the past three years, two years as president-elect, and one as president. During my tenure, I have watched our organization grow and change. I have witnessed first-hand how the work of dedicated leaders and members who are committed to student success can bring about hope and meaningful support. I have learned that our survival as an organization and as a field will depend on our ability to work together. NADE will continue to rebuild, rebrand and increase the impact of our mission.

Because of personal family issues, it is necessary for me to step down this year. The overwhelming support of my friends and NADE colleagues has been heartfelt. The

kind words and thoughts have been, and are, appreciated. I will continue to serve NADE's Board as the immediate past-president.

On behalf of NADE, I want to acknowledge and celebrate the years of service of two other board members who will be ending their current roles this March. Both are consummate professionals who did much to help our organization move in a forward direction. The first Executive Board member whose term is ending is Dr. Mary Zimmerer. She has served as NADE's vice president for the last three years. She effectively served as the liaison with NADE's chapters. She also facilitated Leadership Congress at the annual conferences, providing guidance and direction to chapter presidents.

The second Board member whose term is ending is treasurer Dr. Patrick Saxon. He began serving as treasurer in 2011. However, he has graciously stepped up to serve the role and duties of the president-elect for one year. He will continue his role as our CLADEA Representative.

I welcome and congratulate both Dr. Carol Mueller and Dr. Wes Anthony. Carol is NADE's incoming treasurer. Carol comes to us from Bel Air, Maryland, where she serves as an assistant professor in math and earth sciences at Harford Community College. Additionally, in 2017, she served as the president of DEAM, Developmental Education Association of Maryland, and has remained active with this chapter.

Dr. Wes Anthony, our incoming vice president, comes to us from Appalachian State University where he serves as director of the Kellogg Institute. He also serves as an adjunct professor at the Cleveland Community College. Additionally, he currently serves as NADE's conference exhibits chairperson for the 2019 annual conference.

For those of you attending the NADE conference in March in Atlanta, please take a moment to thank Mary and Patrick and welcome Carol and Wes! I salute the hard work and dedication of each one of you. I am proud to have played a role in the work of NADE.

Deb Daiek  
NADE President

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