

History of NCTE's Policy on Involvement of People of Color

The members of the Diversity Subcommittee of the Executive Committee of NCTE (Leila Christenbury, Chair; Sharon Chaney, Sharon Floyd, Patricia Lambert Stock, Vivian Vasquez, members; and Kathy Egawa, NCTE staff liaison)* have spent approximately two years researching the April 1996 report from the Task Force on Involving People of Color in the Council. The purpose of the study was to discern what directives from the 1996 report had and had not been implemented to date and to make appropriate recommendations.

In September 2001 the Diversity Subcommittee presented their report (in the form of an audit and recommendations) to the NCTE Executive Committee. At that time the report was accepted, and two motions submitted by the Diversity Subcommittee were also passed.

For more information, see other related documents.

* The current Diversity Subcommittee was originally established in February 2000 by NCTE President Jerry Harste as the Diversity and Advocacy Subcommittee. Former members and NCTE staff liaisons include: Jerry Harste, Anne Ruggles Gere, Arlene Clausell, Charleen Delfino, Keith Gilyard, Nancy McCracken, Janet Swenson, Dale Allender, and Paul Bodmer, all of whom, over the course of the years, were involved in research and discussions leading to the final September 2001 Diversity Subcommittee report.