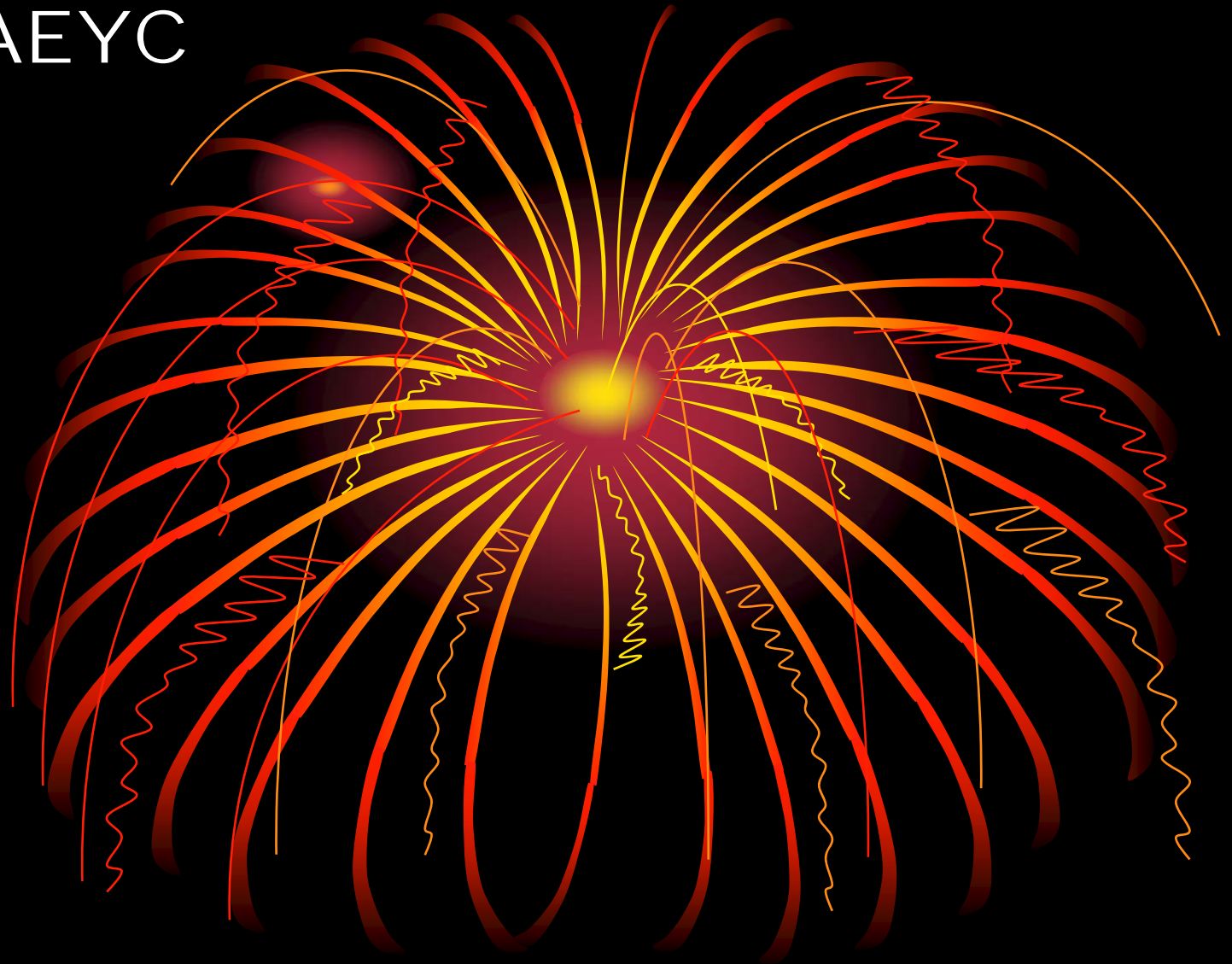


2008 NeAEYC  
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# Opening Session



42 people  
attended from  
28 different  
organizations



# Overview of initiatives & activities



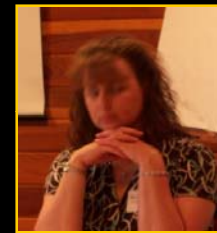
- AEYC Chapters: Jen Haggart & Linda Zinke
- T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® NEBRASKA: Brandee Lengel
- Accreditation & QEPP: Tracy Gordon & Gina DeFreece
- Nature Explore™: Nancy Rosenow
- Positive Behavior Supports: Eleanor Shirley-Kirkland
- Advocacy & Public Awareness: Becky Veak & Jen Hernandez

Nebraska AEYC Overview: Included in packet

# T.E.A.C.H. Team

Team facilitators:

- Brandee Lengel
- Pat Enevoldsen



# T.E.A.C.H. Team Members



- Marcia Corr
- Jane Franklin
- Sue Jensen
- Crystal Kozak
- Diane Lewis
- Kim Madsen
- Dawn Mollenkopf
- Deb Nared
- Michelle Rupiper
- Susan Strahm
- Kelly Vanness
- Jeanne Webb

# T.E.A.C.H. Plan Summary



- Develop more resources for Center Directors regarding costs, turnover, etc
- Promote the on-line EC classes – website, RTC, etc
- Explore other models - CDA model, mini-model (fewer credits)
- Use the Workforce study to show the importance of a high quality EC workforce.

# Advocacy Team

## Team facilitators

- Steve Wilson
- Sarah Ann Lewis



# Advocacy Team Members



- Carolyn Edwards
- Carol Fichter
- Jen Hernandez
- Sue Obermiller
- Melva Pavelka
- Helen Raikes
- Jessie Rasmussen
- Deb Ross
- Eleanor Shirley-Kirkland
- Becky Veak
- Sue Ellen Wall

# Advocacy Plan Summary



- Support the identification of a legislative logical sequence to improve quality, access & infrastructure
- Create a common message for public engagement – include importance of play & brain development
- Partner to develop an advocacy network

# Quality Initiatives Team

## Team Facilitators

- Tracy Gordon
- Gina DeFreece



# Quality Initiatives Team Members



- Kim Chase
- Jen Haggart
- Melody Hobson
- Loree Johnson
- Julie Jones-Branch
- Marjorie Kostelnik
- Betty Medinger
- Terry Rohren
- Nancy Rosenow
- Connie Shonka
- Cara Small
- Linda Sullivan
- Janeen Ward

# Quality Initiatives Plan Summary



- Take a lead role in moving the licensing regulation revisions forward
- Infant/Toddler initiative: role in “fee for service” structure, coaching & mentoring
- Nature Explore: support role, more funding
- Increase # programs seeking Accreditation
- Move planning & implementation for the Environment Ratings Scale systems & the Quality Ratings Systems forward

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successive generation is  
invested in the welfare of  
each new generation."*

Mr. Rogers