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The Executive Committee of the National Council of Teachers of English at its meeting in Washington D.C. on April 11-12, 1992 voted to allocate \$2000 for a meeting of two year community college representatives who would prepare a proposal for a new structure for two year community college members within the National Council of Teachers of English. The meeting, as I understand it, will be held May 22-24 in Jackson, MS. I have assigned Carolyn Hill to attend, to provide assistance where necessary, and to report back on the when and what of your report. I am suggesting that your proposal for restructuring the two year community college activities of NCTE be submitted, at least in draft form, to the NCTE Executive Committee by October 15, 1992. I understand that you will continue to receive input from the Regionals. However, submitting the draft proposal to the Executive Committee will allow the members of the Executive Committee time enough to study the proposal and to discuss the proposal with you at the November meetings of the Executive Committee.

The proposal for restructuring could include an organizational structure in which the two year community college (TYCC) members of the National Council of Teachers of English vote on the national officers of NCTE's TYCC council, receive the community college journal, and receive reduced registration at a TYCC conference, which could be held before or after the CCCC convention. The dues for this governance unit could be an add-on to one's regular NCTE dues. This approach would make the TYCC unit something like a conference. Conferences have a

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representative on the NCTE Executive Committee, and the representative is usually the chair of the group.

You may not wish to propose a conference organization. You may wish to propose to be something like a collaborative. A collaborative is a collection of NCTE members who belong to various organizations. Your present structure is very close to a collaborative structure in the sense that the members in the Regionals elect the officers of the Regionals and then the Regional chairs and the Regional representatives to NTCC elect the national officers of NTCC. Of course, the members of the regionals are not necessarily NCTE members. That is a problem.

Several important points need to be kept in mind. Whatever proposal you make, it is only a proposal. The NCTE Executive Committee must act. Second, TETYC is now NCTE's and the meetings of NTCC are now funded by CCCC. Any new structure must provide income to NCTE to pay for new services and arrangements. I thank you, Helon, for your impressive leadership of this important effort.

Sincerely,



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