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ITEA Officially Becomes ITEEA

RESTON, Virginia, March 1, 2010 – The International Technology Education Association (ITEA) has officially become the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA) as a result of a February balloting of the association’s voting membership. This was the association’s second attempt to change the name. The first balloting resulted in a 65% favorable vote (66% was needed). This close vote prompted the Board of Directors to request a second ballot, which resulted in over two-thirds of those who voted to approve the name change.

This change causes the association to immediately address curriculum and professional development that includes both technology and engineering education at the K-12 level. The association’s membership has been comprised of teachers who have been working in both areas and with many of its affiliates already having “engineering” in their association’s title.

The term engineering is not new to the technology teaching profession; it has been used for over a century in various course titles, discussions, and curriculum efforts. The engineering community played a key role in the creation of this subject area as it has gone through various name changes as industry and technology have changed.

“The name change properly positions the association to deal with the ‘T’ & ‘E’ of a strong STEM education. The association has recently produced *The Overlooked STEM Imperatives* (ITEA, 2009) a publication that brings attention to technology and engineering as missing components of a solid STEM education. ITEEA’s continuing initiatives with the Engineering byDesign™ curriculum work further adds to the promotion of technology and engineering at the K-12 school level.



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ITEEA's publication titles and electronic communications have started the transition to new names and addresses to be in line with the association's new name. The association's new primary email address is iteea@iteea.org and new web address is www.iteea.org.

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