

Association for Media and Technology in Education in Canada (AMTEC): A History

1971



MAC, ETRAC and CSFA held a conference in Edmonton to explore the amalgamation of these associations to form the Canadian Educational Media Council “for the purpose of coordination and expanding present activities and objectives of various media associations now existent in Canada”.

1973



EMAC and ETRAC proposed to form a new national educational association, AMTEC. The constitution was drafted in November, and was presented to members for voting at the annual conference in June 1974 at Brock University. Fred Johnston, became the first President, and also the editor of Media Message.

1975



In Calgary, AMTEC held its first solely AMTEC conference, and the AMTEC Newsletter was started. Also in 1975 CADE (Canadian Association for Distance Education) separated from CAUCE (Canadian Association for University Continuing Education)

1977-94



1977 - The AMTEC Leadership Award was established. First recipients were Francis Kennedy, Gertrude Murray, Fred Holliday, Leon Parker Steeves, James Grimmon, Bruce Adams and Gertrude McCance;
1981 - The Canadian Journal of Educational Communications (CJEC) formed, replacing Media Message, with Richard Lewis was first editor;
1994- The AMTEC Foundation was formed. David Mappin was the Director.

2005



AMTEC members voted to work with CADE to form a new pan-Canadian organization that promotes the integration of information and communication technologies in innovative and effective teaching and learning at all levels of the public and private education and training sectors in Canada.

2006



AMTEC and CADE held a joint conference in Montreal

2007



AMTEC and CADE held a joint conference in Winnipeg planning to amalgamate and form The Canadian Network for Innovation in Education (CNIE), Le Réseau canadien pour l'innovation en éducation (RCIÉ).

2008



The first CNIE-RCIÉ conference was held in Banff. Raymond Guy was the inaugural President, CNIE-RCIÉ