



2022 Annual Report

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Membership

As of September 2022 there are 92 active and 32 lapsed members.

Goals of the previous year and progress towards them

Goals of the previous year include exploring virtual event format and connecting with other science education organizations in New England. Evidence of progress towards these goals include:

January 2022

Members of the section participated in a virtual New England science education organization leadership event dedicated towards strategies to advance a more diverse and inclusive organization.

The section sponsored a virtual talk on applying indigenous knowledge to restore indigenous landscapes on Monday, January 17th, 7-8 PM Eastern. A [book](#) written by the invited speaker, Dr. Jessica Hernandez, had been scheduled to launch the following day. Members of other New England science education organizations were invited to attend.

March 2022

The section coordinated and hosted a luncheon at GSA NE section meeting in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

May 2022

The section hosted a webinar dedicated to exchanging ideas and resources for K-5 NGSS Earth and Space Science on Monday, May 9th, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Eastern. The event was free to teachers in New England.

July 2022

The section met to brainstorm and outline a plan for events during the 2022-2023 academic year.

August 2022

The section organized and hosted an informal member gathering at a central Connecticut farm and brewery on August 24th.

October 2022

The section organized an informative geological field trip for K-12 teachers in conjunction with the New England Intercollegiate Geological Conference.

November 2022

Section members have organized a geoscience session at the Massachusetts Association of Science Teachers conference.

Other section/division activities

Susan Meabh Kelly (President) hosted a roundtable discussion at 2022 Earth Educators' Rendezvous – Inclusive Geoscience Ecosystems.

Susan Meabh Kelly (President) contributed to the ad hoc committee on reimagining/redefining NAGT sections.

Susan Meabh Kelly (President) participated in the Second National Conference for Justice in Geoscience in Washington, DC.

The section maintains an active Twitter account: @NAGT_NE .

Goals for future work

Many of the science teacher organizations in New England have started to offer on site events again. We look to coordinate events in different areas of New England that may help foster connections with K-12 teachers.