



Hi, NAGT-TED members!

You know this but ***please VOTE!!!***

- If you already did, thank you! *Please do what you can to help someone else exercise their right to vote in the U.S. elections by or on 3 November 2020.*

NAGT's *Journal of Geoscience Education* seeks an Associate Editor – application deadline is 1 November:

https://nagt.org/nagt/jge/apply_AE.html

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sun 1 Nov at 2:00am local time for most areas in the United States

- For full details, see: <https://www.timeanddate.com/news/time/usa-canada-end-dst-2020.html>
- Remember “spring forward, fall back” so **set your clocks back** one hour. You gain one hour of sleep or work time.
 - o *Think of the first responders and health professionals in your communities; they will work an extra hour overnight.*
- DST returns on Sun 14 March 2021 for those who use it.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the TED Business Meeting on 22 Oct. Updates to the TED By-Laws proposed on 5 Aug were unanimously approved on 22 Oct to be adopted on 1 Nov.

- The full text of the By-Laws updates are below, after my signature block. If you have comments or questions, please contact me at suzanne.metlay@wgu.edu

Here is the **TED leadership team for 2020-2021:**

- *President:* **George Bartuska**, Lawton Chiles Middle Academy (Lakeland, FL)
- *Vice President:* **Christopher Roemmele**, West Chester University (PA)
- *Past-President:* **Laura Hollister**, Pitman High School (Turlock, CA)
- *Secretary-Treasurer:* **Bridget Mulvey**, Kent State University (OH)
- *Media Director:* **Suzanne Metlay**, Western Governors University (UT)
- *NAGT Council Liaison, Ex Officio:* **Christy Visaggi** (Georgia State University)
- *NESTA Liaison, Ex Officio:* **Rick Jones** (University of Hawaii)
- *NSTA Liaison, Ex Officio:* **Donna Governor** (University of North Georgia)

Next TED ExComm meeting: NAGT members are welcome to participate in the next meeting of the TED Executive Committee on **T 8 December at 3:00pm PT/6:00pm ET.**

- For meeting details, please contact Suzanne Metlay at suzanne.metlay@wgu.edu

NAGT lists job opportunities – several positions were added in Oct: <https://nagt.org/index.html>



It was great to see many of you (if only by recorded presentation) at the Geological Society of America (GSA) meeting during 26-30 Oct!

American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting also is totally virtual during **7-17 Dec**: <https://www.agu.org/Fall-Meeting/Pages/Present/Sessions>

K-12 teachers are sought to be presenters for the **2020 GIFT Share-a-thon** at **AGU Fall Meeting** is **15 December 5:00pm MT–7:00pm MT**.

- **To be considered as a presenter, please complete the form:** <http://bit.ly/K12GIFT>
- “Review of applications will begin on **November 23, 2020** and will continue until all presentation spots are filled.
- Each presenter will have 7-9 minutes to describe and demonstrate the resource, as well as discuss its application in classroom instruction. Descriptions will be supported by **2-5 slides** ... we cannot assure that presenters will be able to visit websites during the presentation, so please plan accordingly (e.g., by having relevant screen images in your slides).
- We will respond to all applicants and will confirm arrangements with selected presenters as we get closer to the date of the Share-a-thon.
- Teachers who are presenting at the GIFT Share-a-thon or are attending will need to be registered for the AGU Fall Meeting, which is free for AGU members (annual memberships are \$50 and if purchased after October 15 last until the end of 2021).”

TED Newsletter during 2020 is taking the form of these short monthly updates - Please get me your news, photos, etc.

- Post time-critical info on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NAGTTED/>

Eager to learn your good news,
Suzanne

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NAGT-TED By-Laws: Proposed Revisions to be adopted on 1 November 2020

TED By-Laws: https://nagt.org/nagt/divisions/ted/ted_bylaws.html

Article III: Governance

D. In the event that an officer must step down before the end of her or his term, the executive board may appoint a current member of TED to fulfill the remainder of the vacated term.

E. Any officer unable to attend more than two consecutive meetings of the Executive Board, or incapable of participation in Executive Board activities for 3 or more consecutive months, may be asked by the Past President to step down for the remainder of the fiscal year. Any officer asked to step down may run again for election to the Executive Board after one fiscal year has passed.

F. A quorum of the Executive Board may bar a candidate from running for election if just cause is brought forward. Serious or continued violation of these By-Laws may be considered just cause.

Article IV: Officers and Responsibilities

A. Responsibilities of the President *[Note – The numbering of the sections below should be re-ordered properly.]*

3. Meetings

1. Prepare and distribute agendas, and preside at meetings of the Division and Executive Board; if unable to attend, then with sufficient advance notice, designate the Vice-President or Past President to provide agendas and meeting facilitation
2. Ensure that minutes of previous meetings are distributed by the Secretary/Treasurer within one (1) month after each meeting
3. Attend all meetings of the NAGT Council or, if unable to attend, designate an alternate to represent the Division

C. Responsibilities of the Past President

1. In the absence of both the President and Vice-President, preside at meetings of the Division and the Executive Board
2. Assume the duties of the President or Vice-President for the remainder of ~~his or her~~ term, should ~~she or he~~ the ~~officer~~ resign, become incapacitated or otherwise be unable to fulfill ~~her or his~~ assigned responsibilities.

E. Responsibilities of the Media Director

1. Oversee communications and publicity for the Division, including
 1. Develop and maintain a Division website
 2. Maintain and oversee a Division listserv ~~or equivalent mailing list of current membership~~
 3. Develop and maintain a Division presence on appropriate social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)
 4. Prepare and produce regular communications to members (e.g., electronic newsletter or other postings) as directed by the Executive Board

No changes recommended to Article X but you should be aware of the protocol already in place:

Article X: Amending the Bylaws

The Executive Board shall establish such amendments to the Bylaws as may be needed to accomplish the mission set forth in Article I. Members shall be notified at least sixty (60) days in advance of a proposed amendment to the Bylaws, and notified within thirty (30) days after an amendment has been adopted by the Executive Board. At least two thirds of the Board members must approve an amendment before it is adopted. An amendment to the Bylaws shall go into effect ninety (90) days after adoption unless the President receives written objections from a quorum of twenty (20) percent of the voting membership of the Division. If a quorum objects in writing to an amendment, then that amendment shall be held in abeyance until the next annual election of officers, at which time a majority vote of the eligible members shall be required for its adoption and for it to become immediately operational.