Minutes of Central Section of NAGT Business Meeting N-C GSA, Akron, OH, April 21, 2006

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- **Minutes** of the May 2005 meeting were approved. (Janis Treworgy)
- **Treasurer's Report** There was none available; it was reported that we still have plenty of funds.
- **Elections** The following people were elected to officer positions. *(new terms take effect at the end of the meeting)*

New president – Annabelle Foos, U of Akron (<u>AFOOS@uakron.edu</u>) New 1st Vice President – Kathleen Bower, Eastern Illinois U (<u>kmbower@eiu.edu</u>) New 2nd Vice President – Mark Francek, Central Michigan (<u>Mark.Francek@cmich.edu</u>)

Treasurer

Ed Hansen has agreed to serve another 3-year term. A big thanks to Ed for his past service to the section!

New State Representatives

KY – Fred Siewers, Western Kentucky U (<u>fred.siewers@wku.edu</u>) IN – Solomon Isiorho, IN U – Purdue U Ft. Wayne (IPFW) (<u>isiorho@ipfw.edu</u>)

Nominations

We are seeking a 2nd VP for 2007 from Indiana. Please contact Janis with your ideas. Note that our order of states for the 2nd VP position is: IL, MI, IN (Spring 2007), WI, KY, MN, IA, OH

- OEST Outstanding Earth Science Teacher Awards 2005 Presentation (Sallie Greenberg, OEST Chair)
 - We had no nominees this year (2005-2006). Sallie encouraged us to support this important activity. She will be talking to the state reps.
 - Nominations for next year are due September 1st to Sallie Greenberg (<u>greenberg@isgs.uiuc.edu</u>)
- NAGT (National) Report (Karen Havholm)
 - Karen reported that the web site has been changed and updated. She said that we can add items to their page and set it up so that we can update them ourselves.
 - NAGT has hired a new membership database service to handle the NAGT membership database and subscriptions. The company is AIP (American Institute of Physics). This is more expensive, but should provide more reliable and up-to-date information.
 - NAGT has been running a deficit every year for several years. A large cushion of funds has been keeping them solvent. At this time they are raising the annual dues. The amount reimbursed to the sections will also increase.

Old Business

- Newsletter (Janis Treworgy)
 - Janis reminded those present that they are welcome to send her content for the newsletter.
 - Email distribution
 - 14% of members (41/292) did not receive a newsletter due to lack of a current email address
 - Newsletter is posted on our web page

 We have encouraged national to make it clear on membership application that a valid email address is required to receive the newsletter

Events Sponsored by Central Section NAGT 2005-2006

Our section sponsored a number of well-attended activities:

- o NC-GSA meeting, Akron, OH, 2006 (see attached)
 - Four theme sessions
 - One workshop for K-12 educators
 - One field trip
 - Luncheon business meeting
- o Great Lakes Section of SEPM Field Conference, Decorah, Iowa, 9/24-25/05
 - Ordovician geology of the Upper Mississippi Valley,
 - Leaders: Greg Ludvigson, Brian Witzke, Norlene Emerson, Jean Young, Jeff Dorale
- o 66th Annual Tri-State Field Conference, Ames, Iowa, 9/24-25/05
 - Paleozoic and Quaternary geology and hydrogeology of central lowa
 - Leaders: Jane Dawson, Matthew Graesch, Neal Iverson, Bill Simpkins, Carl Vondra, Chris Harding

New Business

- Future Activities
 - Great Lakes SEPM and Tri-State 2006 Field Conferences will be combined.
 - New Perspectives on Paleozoic Epeiric Seas and Carbonate Platforms of the Iowa and Illinois Basins
 - Rock Island, IL, October 6-8, 2006
 - Leader: Dr. Jed Day (<u>jeday@ilstu.edu</u>), Illinois State U, Normal, IL
 - Proposed NAGT program, 2007 NC-GSA, Lawrence, KS, April 12-13
 - North Central-GSA and South Central-GSA will be combined in 2007.
 - Kathleen Bower proposed a topic for a theme session we would sponsor: Community Based Service Learning in the Geosciences. The topic was approved.
 - Kathleen and Sallie Greenberg proposed putting on a workshop for geoscience professionals in how to effectively give workshops in the geosciences for K-12 teachers. This activity was approved.
 - Kathleen will work with Ron Schott, president of the Midcontinent Section of NAGT, and Kevin Urbanczyk, president of the Texas Section, in putting together the education program for the GSA meeting in Lawrence. A good local contact in Lawrence is Rex Buchanan (<u>rex@kgs.ku.edu</u>) of the Kansas Geological Survey who is in charge of their outreach and has contact with area teachers.
- We voted to co-sponsor the joint field conference with \$250 contingent on them offering a student registration rate.
- Kerry Keen announced that notices of educational workshops that we may be working on individually (not under the auspices of NAGT) may be placed on our Central Section website. Contact our webmaster, John McDaris.

Business Luncheon Attendees

Mark Francek (incoming 2nd VP)

Solomon Isiorho (IN state rep)

Edna Isiorho (spouse)

Kate Pound (MN state rep.)

Kathleen Bower (incoming 1st VP)

Janis Treworgy (secretary/editor)

Cinzia Cervato (outgoing president)

Annabelle Foos (incoming president)

Paul Spry (Cinzia's spouse)

Kathleen Owen (U of Akron, Ed. Dept.)

Mary Savina (member)

Karen Havholm (member of national NAGT Exec. Comm.)

Rebecca Teed (member)

Paul Doss (IN state rep)

Joe Hannibal (NC-GSA Secretary)

Kerry Keen (member, a past president)

Amy Berger (nonmember)

Sallie Greenberg (OEST chair)