

Minutes

Central Section of NAGT Business Meeting

NC_GSA, Dayton, OH, April 23, 2012

<http://www.nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/index.html>

12 people attended

- **Welcome and introduction of attendees and officers** (Kevin Evans, President)
- **Minutes of previous meeting**, http://nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/minutes_newsletters.html (Kathy Bower,)
- **Treasurer's Report** (Michael Wolf, Treasurer)
 - The section received \$500 from national NAGT; the only expenditures were for the NC_GSA booth
- **Elections (new terms take effect at the end of the meeting)** – all candidates below were elected unanimously (Kathy Bower, kmbower@eiu.edu)
 - New president – Katie Johnson, Eastern Illinois University(kjohnson4@eiu.edu)
 - New 1st Vice President – Cullen Erbacher, Miami University-Middletown (erbachc@muohio.edu)
 - New 2nd Vice President - Jeffrey Strasser, Augustana College (JeffreyStrasser@augustana.edu)
 - Past President – Kevin Evans, Missouri State University (kevinevans@missouristate.edu)
 - Sectional GSA Geoscience Education Representative to the national GSA Education Committee – the GSA would like 2 nominations of which they would select one for a 3-year term - Katie Johnson and Kevin Evans

New Nominations – suggestions for next year

- 2nd VP for 2013-2014: Robb Gillespie (robb.gillespie@wmich.edu) WMU
- Acting OEST Chair - voting was unanimous to make this into two positions, one acting and one assisting OEST Chair for 1-year terms with a two-year commitment. The assisting chair would serve as the acting chair the second year.
 - suggestions were Jill Black, Missouri State (ABlack@MissouriState.edu) and Beth Johnson, University of Wisconsin, Fox Valley (beth.a.johnson@uwc.edu) – these people need to be contacted
- **OEST** – Outstanding Earth Science Teacher Awards 2011-2012 (Kate Pound, OEST chair)
 - Nominations still being accepted through June 30, 2012 – send to Kate Pound (kspound@stcloudstate.edu)
- **Old Business** (Kathy Bower, Secretary)
 - **Newsletter** - Current newsletter is posted on our web page, http://nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/minutes_newsletters.html
 - **2011 Tri-State Geological Field Conference** – The 73rd Annual Tri-State Geologic Field Conference was cancelled due to low registration. It was to be hosted by the University of Iowa Geoscience Department in Iowa City on September 30 thru October 2, 2011. The theme of the field trip was Quaternary and Middle Devonian Geology of the Iowa City Area.
 - **2011 GLS-SEPM Fall Field Trip** – The GLS-SEPM Annual Field Conference was not held Fall 2011.
 - **NC-GSA, Dayton, Ohio, April 22-24, 2012 Central Section NAGT program**
NAGT luncheon

Theme Sessions

- **Geoscience Student Engagement: Innovations in Labs, Activities, Field Trips, and In-Class Pedagogy for K–16 Classrooms** (Carrie L. Wright, University of Southern Indiana)

- **The Museum as Geological Muse: Outreach, Online Catalogs, Blogs, Student Internships, and More** (Joe Hannibal, Cleveland Museum of Natural History; Brenda Hunda, Cincinnati Museum Center)

Field Trips:

- **Introduction to the Geology of Dayton and Environs for Earth Science Teachers** (Michael R. Sandy, University of Dayton) - CANCELLED
- **Downtown Dayton Walking Tour: Building Stones, Geology and Commemorating 99 years since the Dayton Flood of 1913** (Michael R. Sandy, University of Dayton)
- **Grants and awards, 2011 - 2012** (Kathy Bower, Secretary)
 - Central Section NAGT currently supports travel of our official representatives to national NAGT events up to \$500 if the travel to the event is not supported by any other institution; there were no applications for the 2011 national NAGT
 - **Central Section NAGT Business Meeting Fee Application** (available to K-14 professionals) - The Central NAGT section may pay the cost of the section NAGT business luncheon to K-14 professionals (NAGT members and non-members) who cannot afford the cost themselves, and make a presentation on any topic at the NC GSA conference that year. There were no applications for this grant this year.
- **Issues:** The Central section decided to investigate partnering with NESTA and have a booth at the NESTA conferences. If anyone would like to spearhead this, contact Kathy Bower, kmbower@eiu.edu. However Janis Treworgy thought that NESTA meets with NSTA. NAGT has had a booth at NSTA in the past, but it was very expensive and the booth has been discontinued. That said, the real impact NAGT can have is to do workshops for teachers at NSTA with ready-to-use take-home materials. This should be discussed with Cathy Manduca and / or Aida Awad.
- **New Business**
 - **NAGT Central Section OEST Awards** (Kate Pound, OEST chair)
 - **Future Activities** (Kathy Bower)
 - **2012 Tri-State Geological Field Conference** – None scheduled at this time - Contact James Walter (james.walters@uni.edu)
 - **2012 GLS-SEPM Fall Field Trip**, Donald Mikulic (Mikulic@isgs.illinois.edu)
 - We shall continue to co-sponsor field conference: \$250 contingent on special student and K-12 educator rate
 - Proposed NAGT program, **2013 NC-GSA**, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 2-3, 2013 (Kevin Evans, President) [Tentatively 2014 meeting will be in Lincoln Nebraska and 2015 meeting will be in Madison, Wisconsin]
 - **Theme sessions**
 - **Issues in Geoscience Education** – Cullen Erbacher, Miami University-Middletown (erbachc@muohio.edu)
 - **Pedagogy in Geoscience Education** – Katie Johnson, Eastern Illinois University (kjohnson4@eiu.edu)
 - **Workshops**
 - **Field trips** - possibilities
 - **Issues** (Kathy Bower, Secretary)
 - The Central Section would like to request that the national OEST online form also be made available in pdf format for downloading and completing manually. Members agreed it would be more convenient.
 - The Central Section NAGT Business Meeting Fee Application was discussed. It was decided to modify this into a Travel Grant to the NC_GSA meetings. Potential applicants will be undergraduate

seniors or graduate students or K-14 professionals in Geoscience Education. The successful candidates will make a presentation on any topic at the NC_GSA meeting that year and attend the Central Section NAGT business lunch. The grant is to be competitive. The selected applicants will receive \$200 each to assist with travel costs. The state representatives of the Central Section are responsible for advertising this grant in their states.

- State Representatives:
 - Please advertise Central Section NAGT grants for the NC-GSA
 - Please invite a K-12 teacher to the section GSA and NAGT meetings. This is a professional development opportunity for them.

- **Other** (Kevin Evans, President)