**Agenda**

Central Section of NAGT Business Meeting

NC\_GSA, Kalamazoo, MI, May 2, 2013

[*http://www.nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/index.html*](http://www.nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/index.html)

Attended by: K. Lewandowski, C. Erbacher, M. Wolf, J. Strasser, J. Hanniibal, Kerry Keen, Renee Rohs, Sherman Lundy, Beverly Lundy, Christina Ebey Honeycutt, Heather Petcovic, Mike Phillips.

# Welcome and introduction of attendees and officers (Katie Johnson Lewandowski, President)

# Minutes of previous meeting, <http://nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/minutes_newsletters.html> (Katie Johnson Lewandowski, President)

* **Treasurer’s Report** (Michael Wolf, Treasurer)
* Elections (new terms take effect at the end of the meeting) – all candidates below are assumed nominated; other nominations may be submitted (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)
* New president - Cullen Erbacher, Miami University-Middletown ([cullen.erbacher@miamioh.edu](mailto:cullen.erbacher@miamioh.edu))
* New 1st Vice President – Jeffrey Strasser, Augustana College, ([JeffreyStrasser@augustana.edu](mailto:JeffreyStrasser@augustana.edu))
* New 2nd Vice President - Renee Rohs, Northwest Missouri University, rrohs@northwestmissouri.edu
* Past President – Katie Johnson Lewandowski, Eastern Illinois University ([kjohnson4@eiu.edu](mailto:kjohnson4@eiu.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

# OEST – Outstanding Earth Science Teacher Awards, 2012-2013 - 1st Chair -Beth Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Fox Valley ([beth.a.johnson@uwc.edu](mailto:beth.a.johnson@uwc.edu)) and 2nd Chair (2012-2014) Jill Black, Missouri State University ([ablack@missouristate.edu](mailto:ablack@missouristate.edu) )

* + Nominations being accepted through June 1, 2013 –send to the committee chairs above
  + **NAGT Central Section OEST Awards, 2011-12**  - none
  + As of May 8, I received word from HQ that Beth Johnson had resigned her position. Alice Black had never responded to any e-mails. I volunteered to function as the Central Section OEST Award Coordinator for this year and for the future. We had one nominee, Mary Lestina, from Iowa City, Iowa. She is both the winner of the Iowa OEST Award and the winner for the Central Section..
  + **We will make up a flyer for the OEST Award to send out to state science teacher associations and try to market the award more this coming year. The flyer will also be sent out to all state representatives for the Central Section.**

# Old Business (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)

* + **Newsletter -** Current newsletter is posted on our web page, <http://nagt.org/nagt/organization/central/minutes_newsletters.html>
  + **2012 Tri-State Geological Field Conference –** none
  + **2012 GLS-SEPM Fall Field Trip** – none
  + **NC\_GSA, Kalamazoo, MI, May2- 3, 2013** Central Section NAGT program

**NAGT luncheon**

**Theme Sessions**

* + - 1. Teaching and Learning Earth Science: K-16 Educational Pedagogy - Katie Johnson Lewandowski, Eastern Illinois University and Steve Mattox, Grand Valley State University
      2. Research in Earth Science Education - Heather Petcovic, Western Michigan University and Sandra Rutherford, University of Wisconsin, Madison
      3. Working with Pre-Service Teachers – Issues and Ideas - Kyle Gray, University of Northern Iowa and Anthony Feig, Central Michigan University
      4. Innovative Earth Science Teacher Professional Development - Mark Klawiter, Carol Engelmann, Emily Gochis, Erika Vye, Heather Petcovic, Stephen Mattox.

# Grants and awards, 2012 – 2013 (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)

* + 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 2012 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:**
  + For NAGT theme session, workshop, and field trip sponsorship, go to the National NAGT website, <http://nagt.org/nagt/programs/sponsored_prog.html> and request sponsorship. When submitting programs to conferences, be sure to include “Sponsored by National Association of Geoscience Teachers.”
  + It has been suggestion that the Central Section consider merging with the North Central Section. This would involve agreement by both sections. If there is interest, perhaps joint activities should be considered first to see if it is practical.
* **New Business**
  + **NAGT Central Section OEST Awards** (1st Chair –K. Lewandowski) Mary Lestina from Iowa City High School is our section winner. She is also the winner for the state of Iowa.
  + **Future Activities** (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)
    - * **2013 Tri-State Geological Field Conference –** None scheduled at this time - Contact James Walter ([james.walters@uni.edu](mailto:james.walters@uni.edu)) Sherman Lundy talked with Jed Day and there will be a Tri-State Field Conference in the fall. Details to be announced. I will get this information from Jed.
      * **2013 GLS-SEPM Fall Field Trip**, Donald Mikulic ([Mikulic@isgs.illinois.edu](mailto:Mikulic@isgs.illinois.edu)) – None scheduled at this time
      * We shall continue to co-sponsor field conference: $250 contingent on special student and K-12 educator rate
  + Proposed NAGT program, **2014 NC-GSA**, Lincoln, NE, April 24-25, 2014 (Cullen Erbacher, President)
    - **Theme sessions**
      * **Pedagogy Theme Session to be proposed by K. Lewandowski**
    - **Workshops** 
      * **A secondary teachers workshop proposal is being put together by K. Lewandowski and Michael and Susan Wolf at Augustana College to be run at NC GSA in Lincoln.**
      * **Lewandowski has contacted people at UNL and will work on offering a program that has professional development credit available for teachers.**
      * **We propose offering awards for up to 20 people to attend the meeting and the workshop from our funds. Membership, Registration, the NAGT luncheon, and the workshop would be gratis to these awardees.**
      * **The focus of the workshop will be global climate change. Augustana will bring Discovery Kit materials and facilitate part of the workshop. ANDRILL (Antarctic Geological Drilling Program) materials will be explored. Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP) materials will be explored. Rock kits from the Polar Rock Repository will be explored, as well.**
    - **Field trips**

No field trips are proposed for NC GSA next year.

We will co-sponsor the Tri-State Field trip this year, which will be in Iowa. More details will be forthcoming.

# Other Issues (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)

There is interest in perhaps sponsoring some share-a-thons at regional meetings. Maybe share-a-thons focused on research, or writing, or pedagogy for eollege faculty. This was brought up in the business meeting.

* **Other** (Katie Johnson Lewandowski)