Dorothy Stout Professional Development Awards Report

Ben Wolfe, Chair

In honor of Dottie Stout's outstanding work and lifelong dedication to Earth science education, NAGT gives three $750 awards annually to faculty and students at two-year colleges and K-12 teachers in support of the following:

* Participation in Earth science classes or workshops
* Attendance at professional scientific or science education meetings
* Participation in Earth science field trips
* Purchase of Earth science materials for classroom use

Additionally, award winners are given a one-year membership to NAGT.

Current Committee Members

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|  | Term |
| Ben Wolfe (Chair) | 2018-2022 |
| David Voorhees | 2019-2022 |
| Alec Aitken | 2019-2022 |
| Diana Steller | Ex officio |
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**2021 winners:**

* 2YC faculty recipient:
  + Alexander Ullrich, Georgia State University - Perimeter College, Atlanta, GA
* 2YC Student recipient: No award this year as we did not receive a student proposal submission. The committee will be exploring ways to better recruit and solicit submissions from 2YC students
* K-12 faculty recipients (two awards in lieu of no student award this year):
  + LaChandra Hopper, Sheppard Air Force Base Elementary, Sheppard AFB, TX
  + and Pamela Baker, Alma Bryant High School, Irvington, AL

Recommendations:

1. As all three member terms expire in 2022, we will need to recruit individuals to serve on the committee.
2. The award currently is promoted by the Geo2YC division and has visibility to 2YC instructors, however greater awareness is needed to encourage students to apply for the award.
3. Encourage TED division to help promote the award to K-12 teachers to drive up number of quality applicants.
4. We need to expand efforts to remain linked with past winners so they continue to contribute to NAGT and Earth Science Education.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Wolfe