

**NAGC Research & Evaluation Network  
Meeting Minutes**

Nov 18, 2020

4:45 pm - 5:45 pm (EST)

[Link to R&E webpage](#) (our email addresses are located here)

*Note: a recording of this meeting is available. See link at bottom of this page.*

**Introductions & updates from leaders on NAGC Events:**

Cindy Gilson - Chair:

Welcome to everyone and call for people to join our network, click [here](#) to register.

**Erin Miller - Chair Elect:**

She has shadowed/assisted Cindy to prepare for her role as Chair. She participated in the scholar table. Things went well.

**Toni Szymanski - Program Chair, Sunday Super Session & Session submissions:**

Super Sunday panel was great. Many outstanding presentations. 14 on demand sessions, check them out!

**Lisa Ridgley - Assistant Program Chair, Research Into Practice:**

Lisa was in charge of the research into practice. Several scholars talked about how they use their research in their daily practice. Well attended (30 live viewers). Thank you to our speakers: Kate Snyder (research into teaching), Megan Foley-Nipcon research into parenting, Dante Dixon (research into future research), Edward Amend (research into counseling)

**Lisa Ridgley & Lindsay Lee - Scholars Tables**

Scholars table was well received, positive feedback.

Thank you to our scholars: Anne Rinn (Social-Emotional needs and mental health), Jill Adelson (work-life balance), Erin Miller (wide scale collaborations), Matt Makel (non-academic job track), Lisa Ridgley and Rachel Renbarger (transitioning and finding resources as an early career scholar), Frank Worrell (equity based research), and Ophélie Desmet (funding opportunities)

**Jenny Ritchotte - Awards Chair, Dissertation Award**

(Update by Cindy)

Congratulations to our winners:

1st Place: Lisa M. Ridgley

Title: The Gift of Challenge: The Impact of Task Difficulty on SRL Processes

Awarding University: Baylor University

2nd Place: Chin-Wen Lee

Title: A Case Study Evaluation of the Implementation of Twice-Exceptional Professional Development

Awarding University: University of Northern Colorado

3rd Place: Laurel E. Brandon

Title: Teachers' Perspectives of School-Based Opportunities and Support for Student Creativity

Awarding University: University of Connecticut

We encourage those interested to reach out to the award winners for details on their work. Thank you to all reviewers!

**Lisa Foster - Awards Chair Elect, Research Gala**

- Check out the posters here:

<https://padlet.com/jenniferritchotte/NAGCgala2020>

(Update by Cindy)

16 student papers (7 completed, 9 in-progress) for the gala. Thank you to our 12 reviewers.

**Abdullah Azzam Tzgen & Lindsay Lee - Graduate Student Committee Chairs, Graduate Student Lounge, Expert Talk Series**

- Students - please consider joining!

(Update by Lindsay)

Thank you to Abdullah Azzam Tzgen and Kacey Crutchfield for manning the graduate student lounge. Any graduate students are welcome to join the committee.

Please email Lindsay Lee for details: [lindsay.lee2@unt.edu](mailto:lindsay.lee2@unt.edu)

The expert talks series was hosted virtually in collaboration with the AERA RoGCT SIG. Matt Makel was the featured speaker and addressed open science. We are exploring where to house this and future videos. We are exploring options to share the link via the NAGC YouTube channel/R&E website and the AERA RoGCT SIG websites.

**Ophélie Desmet - Secretary**

Took meeting minutes, assisted with promoting events, check out our events and share your thoughts on social media by tagging @NAGCGIFTED (for Twitter) and #NAGC2020 (for all social media)

**Special Shout Out!**

Thank you for your service:

- Bess Wilson
- Toni Szymanski
- Jenny Ritchotte
- Ophélie Desmet
- Lindsay Lee

Thank you to Carolyn Kaye for all your hard work!

**Upcoming R&E Network Elections** (Deadline January 15, 2021; Start date Sept 1, 2021):

- Awards Chair Elect: 2 year term: Run the Gala in year 1; Run the Dissertation award in year 2.
- Assistant Program Chair: 2 year term: Run the Scholar's Tables & Research Into Practice in year 1; Run the Super Sunday Session and oversee Program Submissions in year 2.

- Secretary: 2 year term.
- You can nominate yourself at the following link:  
<https://forms.gle/R31PCtXmsph6nP3k7>

**Graduate Student Elections** (Deadline March 1, 2021; Start date TBD):

- Graduate Student Committee Co-Chair: 2 year term.
- Abdullah Azzam Tzgen & Lindsay Lee will send out a call for nomination

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

To volunteer as a **reviewer** for the **Awards competitions**, click [here](#) (or <https://forms.gle/LX6GXmVjqah6eXEP8>).

- Reviewers need to have held doctoral level degree for at least 3 years and maintain scholarship in gifted ed
- We welcome diversity!

To **submit a paper** for the 2021 Awards competitions, keep an eye on our [webpage](#)

- Gala - usually due in July
- Dissertation Award - usually due in February
- We welcome diversity!

To **review R&E Network conference submissions** for the 2021 NAGC Conference, please sign up here:

<http://bit.ly/2zJeeis>

**Note: Network Chairs, Chair-Elects, and Program Chairs cannot review for their own network.**

## NEW INITIATIVES

### **Awards Task Force:**

- Cindy Gilson, Erin Miller, Jenny Ritchotte, Lisa Foster, Catherine Little, and Kacey Crutchfield
- Our work will focus on updating the reviewer rubrics
- Note: Undergraduate students can participate in Gala. Please encourage them to participate.

### **Collaboration with Other Networks:**

The following chairs from other networks have reached out to collaborate.

- Cappie Dobyns: Arts  
Hoping to increase inquiry regarding arts research. Potentially starting an aligned arts research awards that is reflective of how we have set up our awards, yet not overlapping with R&E awards. They welcome those interested in helping set up this award to join their endeavor. There are leadership opportunities available at the Arts Network as well. If interested, contact Cappie Dobyns at [cappie.dobyns@ames.k12.ia.us](mailto:cappie.dobyns@ames.k12.ia.us)  
Some discussion about if this new award should be tailored at non-student

researchers or if it should be more broad/inclusive.

Suggestion: target non-NAGC members who have published arts research.

- Emily Kircher-Morris: Social and Emotional Development  
How can we collaborate with them on conducting research.
- Terrie Friedrichs: Twice-Exceptional advocacy chair  
Call for research on less researched disabilities such as visually impaired, health impaired disabilities, etc.  
Call for research on successful advocacy  
See his invite for collaboration below.

### **R&E Logo:**

- Bess Wilson will work on this
- Carolyn Kaye approved our goal to create a Network logo

### **Promotion of Diversity within Membership & Research Topics/Methodologies:**

- What can we do so we can “take really big swings at racism” and advance equity? - see NAGC [statement](#)
  - Share ideas [here](#) (Google Doc)
- Recruitment of diverse members and leadership
- Members shared ideas on how to make R&E events more inclusive and collaborative across networks. Members also shared different perspectives and concerns related to racism and equity.
- This important conversation will continue at the next R&E meeting (TBD).

### **Other Business Items?**

#### ***Invite from Terry Friedrichs:***

NAGC’s Twice-Exceptional (2e) Special Interest Group invites you, and members of other NAGC Networks and SIGs, to become involved as members and project participants in our work on behalf of gifted students with exceptionalities!

The NAGC 2e SIG advocates for 2e students, their parents, and teachers. We currently have projects in process to enhance accessibility within NAGC’s conventions and its web presence, to work toward equality of people with disabilities within NAGC, and to award NAGC’s gifted education champions for 2e students. We hope that some of you might like to join our network and inform such efforts.

We are also looking for your participation in projects wherein our purposes meet up with yours. There are almost certainly many such mutually felt purposes, since 2e youth, their parents, and educators are found in all NAGC Network/SIG areas, from technology to curriculum to creativity. To explore these common purposes, you might write 2e-supportive newsletter articles in our newsletter, in your Network/SIG newsletter, or both. We can also potentially help you with your own Network/SIG projects. There innumerable opportunities for mutually supportive projects, so please suggest one that enthused you!

Please contact us, your NAGC Twice-Exceptional SIG Chairs, if you would like to participate as a member or participant: Blanche Kapushion, at [bmkapush@comcast.net](mailto:bmkapush@comcast.net),

or

Terry Friedrichs, at [tpfriedrichs56@gmail.com](mailto:tpfriedrichs56@gmail.com).

We welcome your participation!

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Correction in the video from Angela Novak: "When I mentioned in the meeting that Dr. Whiting discussed the speech in advance, I indicated that it was with the NAGC President, however, I misspoke. Dr. Whiting mentioned in the session that he discussed the talk with the President-Elect."