



JEFFERSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION
FOR GIFTED CHILDREN

JAGC Board Meeting Agenda
Apr 13, 2021, 5-7 pm

Attendees

Guy Nahmiach, President	Amy Dougherty
Courtney Hopkins-Feuerborn, Vice President	Nancy Yanasak
Katherine Rickard, Treasurer-absent	Jana Betlach-absent
Heather Groff, Secretary	Ayrolyn Keady
Roger Dowd, Ex officio	Kelly Bunnell-absent

- I. Introductions**
- II. President Report, Guy**
 - A. Hearing $\frac{1}{3}$ students not returning but districts will ask for more money
 - B. What if everyone is on and IEP? Would increase accountability--how much does student send in school, how much return do I get on my investment
 - C. Women in the workplace--some employers will require return to work or force to quit so how will families will have to make choices
- III. Vice President Report, Courtney**
 - A. Elections:
 1. Review election results
 - a) 12 votes for all
 - b) Tom Dougherty for President
 - c) Heather Groff for Secretary
 - d) Jana Betlach for member at large
 - e) Amy Dougherty for member at large
 2. Certify election results
 - a) Ayrolyn moved, Nancy seconded, All voted in favor to accept election results
 - B. Retreat Prep Info
 1. Check calendars to see when we have openings to prep for May meeting
 2. May not be able to be in person if locations are not accepting reservations so may have virtual as back up

IV. Secretary Report, Heather: nothing to report

V. Treasurer's Report, Katherine: not present

VI. Committee Reports / Updates

- Organize JAGC: Look at Shared Google Drive, email consistency
- Communication
- Newsletter--one more in May
- Calendar--nothing new, but still more activities, but some still virtual
- Social Media--still doing great, lots interactions, want to increase connections with other gifted organizations
 - Guy mentioned that great work with positive postings getting great traction
 - Roger mentioned that many organizations are continuing with remote options so that they have more openings for everyone
- Website--will need to be looked at again over the summer, camps have been reviewed to make sure up to date
- GT Town Halls--probably not wanting to do another one this year
 - Would like to do parent groups next year
- Legislative--Katherine, not present

- Membership--get more involvement
- GT Champion: Ayrolyn waiting for info from Danielle. Talked with Amy about website.

VII. Update with Roger

A. Remote learning for next year

- As of survey closure, 17 GT center or center eligible families want remote
 - Mostly intermediate/middle school grade
 - Will not have separate GT center option, will offer face to face center placement or will continue to support ALP in remote--decide by 8/31/21
 - Middle school students might be able to be take asynchronous GT classes from JVA but new program will be synchronous
 - Approved for GT center for the following year, but cannot guarantee spot will be available 2022-23
 - If SBB assigned to school of enrollment, then families need to be told that they have to register within the proper timeframes
- 669 families confirmed remote total--looking to sustain program for couple years
- Advocating for common math time, so students can accelerate
- Advocating for onboarding for professional development on needs of gifted students

B. GTAC update: expectations for all schools

- Affective: Social emotional support for kids
 - Strategies how to meet need with ideas, links, examples of schools--limit 5 to 10
 - MTSS process/check in 2E/supplemental GT SEL/incorporation of choice/GT advisory groups
- Programming: Academic
 - Common scheduling times/acceleration, take off AP/IB from HS
 - Online opportunities for replacement courses
 - Offering choice and voice in assignment and assessment
- Parent/family communication and learning
 - GT newsletter, GT corner in newsletter by BL or ambassador
 - Parent info nights (maybe during conferences)
 - Ways to challenge students
 - Encourage each school to have GT page on website
 - School based parent groups
 - district/JAGC resources to have for parents at conferences
- Next steps: Roger would like to post it on website, roll out through leadership team meetings, like it is a menu of options/ideas to help meet the needs, they have website template available for them to adopt
 - Adaptive strength based options for students to help with struggling areas--especially 2E, thinking outside the box
 - Would like to forward draft when flushed out more--look at in depth at the retreat

C. Input on GT website



Future Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday Each Month

May 11, Jun 8 (if needed)

Zoom Meeting ID: **814 3454 5800**

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