



*Pacific Region of the California Association of the Gifted  
Representing the Counties of Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo*

**TCGC Meeting Agenda: August 12, 2021**

**LOCATION: Zoom :**

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**CALENDAR**

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**Members Attending**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>District/School/Community</u></b>	<b><u>Role</u></b>
Michele Waggoner <a href="mailto:mwaggoner@mesaschool.org">mwaggoner@mesaschool.org</a>	Mesa Union School	GATE Coordinator
Vanessa Heller <a href="mailto:vheller@opusd.org">vheller@opusd.org</a>	OPUSD: Medea Creek M.S.	GATE Coordinator & 6th gr. Humanities teacher
Carly Starn	Ventura Unified <a href="#">Ventura Unified GATE</a>	GATE Teacher - 8th grade
Cindy Hansen	Community, Parent, Gifted/2e Education Consultant	President TCGC

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**Meeting Agenda:**

1. Welcome and Introductions -
2. Plan for next year (2021-2022)
  - a. Next year continue TCGC Zoom meetings, on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 again
  - b. [2021-2022 Tri-County GATE Council Calendar](#) (tentative)
  - c. We Honor Our Own -- Critical March 10 (meeting/luncheon/Virtual Videos)
  - d. Membership -- Sending out letter
  - e. Grants-- Teresa
  - f. Presentations/topics before Meeting -- Need to survey the Members

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3. **Summer Collaboration** - Certification discussion / Ideas for training videos
  - a. **Certification** (County Office Sponsorship? Raina Arellano as a contact?.) Teresa has the original handbook and CD. Jessie Green modified (and improved) the files and they are shared on Google Drive.
  - b. Partnership with The G-Word: <https://www.thegwordfilm.com/my-gifted-story>
4. **Fall Events to Note:** Please add to this [Google Doc of Events for the year](#)
5. Approval of minutes from [May 13, 2021](#) - Approved as written
6. Treasurer's Report -
  - a. Balance of accounts as of August 12,, 2021: **\$\$4,431.87**
  - b. **2020-2021 Grant Recipients: Unclaimed Grants:**
    1. Jacob Cameron \$150
    2. Marina and Eden West \$150
  - c. 2020-2021 Participation Fees (list of paid, received receipt, etc.)

i. Conejo Valley USD	vi. Oak Park USD
ii. Fillmore USD	vii. Ojai USD
iii. Goleta USD	viii. Santa Maria Bonita School
iv. Meadows Arts & Technology Elem	District
v. Mesa Union School District	ix. Ventura USD
	x. Hueneme
	xi. <b>Oxnard SD (3/22/2021)</b>

**7. Our next full business meeting is on September 9, 2021**

*Additional topics:*

*How do we add to our screeners or universal assessments to be sensitive to student needs?*

*Equity in Assessments?*

*GATE Teacher Certifications required for teachers teaching gifted students*



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Stefanie Caswell	Conejo Valley Unified	GATE TOSA
Jill Means	Goleta Union School District	Gifted Education Support TOSA
Teresa Koontz <a href="mailto:tkoontz@cusd.net">tkoontz@cusd.net</a>	Carpinteria Unified School District	GATE Coordinator/ Resource Teacher and ELD Teacher
Susan Camarena	Hueneme Elementary School District	GATE Teacher at Hueneme Elementary School and District Support for GATE Teachers
Shelia DeMeritt <a href="mailto:sdemeritt@fillmoreusd.org">sdemeritt@fillmoreusd.org</a>	Fillmore Unified School District	Coordinator of Special Projects (ASES After School Program, Induction, & GATE)

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1. Welcome and Introductions -
2. Approval of August & May Minutes

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- a. August 12, 2021 motioned to approve by Cindy Hansen, seconded by Vanessa Heller
- b. May 13, 2021 motioned to approve by Cindy Hansen, seconded by Teresa Koontz

**3. Treasurer's Report -**

- a. Balance of accounts as of **September 9, 2021: \$4,431.87**
- b. **2020-2021 Grant Recipients: (Outstanding)**
  - 1. Jacob Cameron \$150...CVUSD student. Stefanie Caswell will reach out to confirm use.
  - 2. Marina and Eden West \$150...CVUSD student. Stefanie Caswell will reach out to confirm use.

**4. 2021-2022 Elections/Nominations** (*Please come to the meeting with ideas/willingness to serve*)

**Bylaws**

- a. **President**
- b. **Treasurer(s)**
- c. **Secretary**

Suggestion was made to inquire within our by-laws to investigate role descriptions and reach out to membership for nominations and create a Google Form to collect individual names to represent the needed positions. Vanessa Heller volunteered to create the form and send out.

**5. DISCUSSION: 2021-2022 Committee Priorities & Organization** (*Please come to the meeting excited to be part of one of these committees-- they are the interwoven foundations of our community support*)

- a. **Membership** -- Need a volunteer to stand in as membership chair. Letters need to be sent to TCGC distribution list. \$75 per membership directed to district Instructional Services or Student Support Services, facilitated through coordinators. Payments sent to P.O. Box.
- b. **We Honor Our Own -- Critical March 10 (meeting/luncheon/Virtual Videos)** honor individuals (teachers, principals, parents, etc) that have kept GATE alive during these trying times. If we can't be in person, a virtual event with videos to honor individuals. Looking for an individual to chair this event. **Vanessa Heller** volunteered to step in as event chair. **Distinguished Service Award (CAG)-- dependent on the status of the conference.**
- c. **Presentations/topics before Meeting** -- **Need to survey the Members. Sample proposed topics:** *How do we add to our screeners or universal assessments to be sensitive to student needs? Equity in Assessments? GATE Teacher Certifications required for teachers teaching*

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*gifted students? Twice Exceptionality? Programming and curriculum? Gifted vs. High Achiever? Parent education nights? Social justice in gifted education? Talent identification and enrichment? Executive Functioning? Risk taking/fear of failure?*

*Speakers:*

- i. **OCTOBER** -- Equity in Identification practices (what are the best methods?)
- ii. Susan Baum -- Twice exceptional (Kara Roque - parent in Goleta)
- iii. **NOVEMBER** -- Parent Education Topics vs Educators
- iv. -- Social Justice topics
- v. -- What is the talented part of gifted ed? How do we serve them?
- vi. -- What happens in Middle School? What is needed to create a great transition to High School (AP overload) (Carly Starn-- Ventura)
- vii. -- Social and Emotional Needs of our Students-- Working with Failure
- viii. Review with Council-- What does a GATE program look like?

Council discussed portfolio means of identification combined with universal screening using local norms for under-represented populations to gain a more comprehensive population of gifted learners.

- d. **Grants**-- **Teresa Koontz**- How many & How much will depend on our Membership drive
- e. **#MYGIFTEDSTORY Project** Partnership with The G-Word: **(See Cindy and letter below)**  
<https://www.thegwordfilm.com/my-gifted-story>

**6. Update Calendar**

- a. [\*\*2021-2022 Tri-County GATE Council Calendar\*\*](#)
- b. [\*\*Google Doc of Events for the year\*\*](#)

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*Meeting Adjourned at 5:15pm*



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***Copy of email:***

***PLEASE JOIN US -- Gifted, Talented, Neurodiverse Week Invitation (to C. Hansen)***

*Harper Brock <harperbrockfilm@gmail.com> Tue, Aug 10, 2021 at 11:04 AM*

*Cc: Marc Smolowitz <marcsmolowitz@gmail.com>, TIMOTHY KULIKOWSKI <tkulikowski@mac.com>, Elizabeth Dowland <edowland99@gmail.com>, jensen.teng@gmail.com, Danielle Holke <danielle.holke@gmail.com>*

*THE G WORD team will host an inaugural Gifted, Talented & Neurodiverse Awareness Week - aka G/T/N Awareness Week as a pilot program during the last week of October 2021, and we will be scaling up our social media storytelling throughout the month in preparation for a dynamic slate of virtual events.*

*The week's activities will serve 3 purposes: 1) to give our team, advisors and partners an opportunity to co-create a large-scale event with and for our communities, which will be replicated in Oct. 2022 and yearly thereafter; 2) to demonstrate that as an organization, THE G WORD is working hard to deliver on the goals we outlined in our Impact Manifesto last October; and, 3) to promote a sense of connection, family and belonging within the larger global gifted communities.*

*As one of our trusted Advisors/Partners, we'd be honored for you to participate actively in this ground breaking effort to create an annual and sustainable G/T/N Awareness Week. Here are ways you can become involved:*

- *PARTICIPATE in #MyGiftedStory yourself and/or HOST your own #MyGiftedStory gathering with a small group that will help us increase the volume of social media stories we are sharing throughout October.*
- *CREATE with our help an Instagram Reel or Instagram Story of your own that will be featured in our lively and engaging IG presence during the month of October.*
- *VOLUNTEER during G/T/N Awareness Week as a Virtual Co-Host / Co-presenter / Outreach Partner of one of our daily webinars and events that will unfold each day online Monday, Oct. 25th - Friday, Oct. 29th.*

*If you're interested in participating, please reply-all to this email NO LATER THAN MONDAY, AUG. 16TH and tell us which of the above initial ideas pique your interest.*

*In coming days, we will be creating a slate of HOW-TO PARTICIPATE toolkits for advisors and partners that will help make it fun, easy, and meaningful for you and your networks to join with us on this exciting project.*

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*Thank you for your time and attention. Let's work together to create a more empathic world for our gifted, talented, and neurodiverse populations.*

*We look forward to hearing from you soon.*

*Sincerely,*

*Harper Brock | G/T/N Awareness Week Planning Team*

*THE G WORD DOCUMENTARY*

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3. **Treasurer's Report -**

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4. **2021-2022 Elections/Nominations** (*Please come to the meeting with ideas/willingness to serve*)

**Bylaws** - Google form was delivered to all subscribed individuals, provided executive board position job descriptions and requested nominations for president, secretary, and treasurer.

a. **President**

- i. **Guest Presenter**
- ii. **October 25-29 Gifted, Talented & Neurodiversity Awareness Week**

b. **Treasurer(s)**

- i. **Subcommittee- Membership: Susan Camarena**
- ii. **Grants & Scholarships: Teresa Koontz**

c. **Secretary**

- i. **Subcommittee- We Honor Our Own (WHOO) Vanessa Heller**

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5. **2021-2022 Committee Reports/Requests** (*Please come to the meeting excited to be part of one of these committees-- they are the interwoven foundations of our community support*)

- a. **Membership -- Susan Camarena** will use our membership document to reach out to coordinators for membership fees.
- b. **We Honor Our Own -- Vanessa Heller**
  - i. **Distinguished Service Award (CAG)-- dependent on the status of the conference**
- c. **Grants-- Teresa Koontz** Previously awarded grants for students, teachers, and parents. Discussed the needs of both groups to determine prioritization of funding allocation. Teachers definitely need assistance. Overall amount for each group will be determined based on funds received during our membership drive. Grant applications are usually delivered in

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November and awarded in December to ensure student/teacher/parent project completion to be displayed in the spring at the “Best Practices” conference. Teresa made a motion to offer 2 student grants (\$300), 1 parent grants (\$200) and 2 teacher grants (\$600). Vanessa seconded the motion. All in favor.

- d. **GIFTED-TALENTED & NEURODIVERSITY WEEK: Oct. 25th - Friday, Oct. 29th.** Sponsored by *The G-Word Movie*. Everyone may participate by joining the *Gifted by Zipcode #MYGIFTEDSTORY Project* <https://www.thegwordfilm.com/my-gifted-story>

**6. DISCUSSION:** Equity in identification practices (what are the best methods)

- a. Council has discussed portfolio means of identification combined with universal screening using local norms, cultural norms, and socio-economic norms for under-represented populations to gain a more comprehensive population of gifted learners.
- b. Talent development and evaluation process combined with program offerings in order to provide identification.
- c. Council compared identification means through the different universal screening tests offered. CogAT offers a Composite score encompassing verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal abilities along with a variety of norm reports to choose from based on population/representation.
- d. Some districts consider teacher recommendations and gifted characteristics, combined with under-represented populations and socioeconomic factors when determining GATE eligibility.
- e. Districts are differentiating their qualifying thresholds based on EL proficiencies.
- f. Discussed the opportunity to translate the provided universal screening assessment for students to be evaluated in their native language. CogAT and OLSAT do not have questions in Spanish.
- g. Districts discussing balance and equity priorities and requirements in identification.

**7. Update Calendar -- Adjust meeting for next month to **Wednesday, November 17, 2021****

- a. **Discussion: Sharing Ideas About Equitable Enrichment Programming**
- b. **2021-2022 Tri-County GATE Council Calendar**
- c. **Google Doc of Events for the year**



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[Enrichment, Social & Emotional Support for  
Neurodiverse Minds with Nicole Tetrault](#)  
**FREE!**

**FREE Webinar**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021**  
6:30-8:30 pm (PT) **Registration link:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/CUSDFRCtwicee>

**Our next Council meeting is on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:30pm.**

**Agenda for November**

*Meeting Adjourned at 5:20 PM.*



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**Discussion: Sharing Ideas About Equitable Enrichment Programming**

**Meeting Agenda:**

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- c. Budget Overview
- d. Receipts and payments (Requests for payment and budgets during committee reports)

**4. 2021-2022 Elections/Nominations (*Vanessa Heller*) Still in Process**

**Bylaws** - Google form was delivered to all subscribed individuals, provided executive board position job descriptions and requested nominations for president, secretary, and treasurer.

- a. **President**
- b. **Treasurer(s)**
- c. **Secretary**

**5. 2021-2022 Committee Reports/Requests**

- a. **Membership** -- **Susan Camarena** will use our membership document to reach out to coordinators for membership fees. **Letter went out on November 6th. Consensus says to send reminder about December 10 and January 11**
- b. **We Honor Our Own** -- **Vanessa Heller**, (Winter Break Meeting TBA) Committee- **Teresa, Leya**,
  - i. **Distinguished Service Award (CAG)**-- dependent on the status of the conference <https://cagifted.org/membership/>
  - ii. **Nominations**
  - iii. **Theme of decor -Party**
  - iv. **small token (flower/plant)**
  - v. **Luncheon or Tea?? BBQ??**
  - vi. **Zoom/Video?? Involve School Boards in presentation??**
  - vii. **at CAG???**



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viii. **Colloquium Luncheon (grants too) (Conflicts with CAG?) SATURDAY**

- c. **Grants-- Teresa Koontz -- Very slow this year-- nothing has come in yet.**
  - a. Tri-County GATE Colloquium-- Logistics will be difficult this year-- restricted ability to have groups meet.
  - b. GATEway to Leadership Logistics will be difficult this year-- restricted ability to have groups meet.
- 2. Discussion: Equity in Identification processes
- 3. Agenda items for next meeting

***Our next meeting is on December 9, 2021 at 3:30pm***

**Adjourned at 4:45pm**

**Respectfully submitted by**Cindy Z. Hansen



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Jill Means	GUSD	TOSA Gifted Education and Curriculum Support
Susan Camarena	Hueneme Elementary School District	District GATE Teacher Support/ Fourth Grade teacher/GATE teacher at Hueneme Elementary for third, fourth, and fifth graders
Pamela Dzukola Alex Mejia-Holdsworth	Ojai Unified/Mira Monte Ele Ojai USD	4th grade teacher-GATE committee Family and Student Support Coordinator

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2. **Approval of November 17, 2021** - Teresa moved to approve the minutes, Vanessa seconded. Minutes are approved as presented.
3. **Treasurer's Report -**

- i. Balance of accounts as of **November 30, 2021 = \$4,656.87**

Account Activity for November 2021		
11/1/2021	<b>\$4,431.87</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>
11/24/2021	\$75.00	Hueneme Elementary S.D.
11/24/2021	\$75.00	Ventura Unified S.D.
11/24/2021	\$75.00	Meadows Art & Technology Elementary
11/30/2021	<b>\$4,656.87</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>

- ii. Budget Overview
- iii. Receipts and payments (Requests for payment and budgets during committee reports)
- b. **2021-2022 Elections/Nominations (*Vanessa Heller*)**

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  - i. President
  - ii. Treasurer(s)
  - iii. Secretary
2. **2021-2022 Committee Reports/Requests**
  - a. **Membership -- Susan Camarena** (send reminder about December 10 and January 11)

AS OF DECEMBER 9, 2021- Fees have been received from:

Hueneme Elementary S.D.,  
Ventura Unified S.D.,

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Meadows Art & Technology Elementary,  
Atascadero USD,  
Conejo USD

**b. We Honor Our Own -- Vanessa Heller, Leya, Stefanie -- Meeting over break (date?)**

- i. **Distinguished Service Award (CAG) (must be member-  
<https://cagifted.org/membership/>**
- ii. **Nominations**
- iii. **Event discussion (Zoom/Video?? Involve School Boards in presentation??) Set date during break**

**c. Grants-- Teresa Koontz**

- a. Tri-County GATE Colloquium -- Restricted by logistics
- b. GATEway to Leadership -- Restricted by logistics

**2. Resources:**

- a. ***Empowering Underrepresented Gifted Students*** by Joy Lawson Davis and Deb Douglas (2021) Free Spirit Publishing
- b. ***Culturally Responsive Teaching in Gifted Education*** edited by Fugate, Behrens, Boswell, & Davis. (2021) Prufrock Press.

**3. Discussion Ideas:**

**4. Agenda items for next meeting**

***Our next meeting is on January 6, 2022 at 3:30pm***

**Respectfully submitted by those in attendance**



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Vanessa Heller: OPUSD	Pamela Dzukola, Ojai Unified
Jill Means, Goleta Union SD	Teresa Koontz, Carpinteria USD

**Presentation: (What/Who & Review/Description)**

**Meeting Agenda:**

1. **Welcome** and Introductions
  - a. In the community:
    - i. Ocean View is looking for a teacher (retired or otherwise) that would be willing to run our Odyssey of the Mind program at 4 sites after school. If anyone is interested they can contact me directly for details.
    - ii. Knox is seeking to hire an Executive Director to take over the work of leading Knox into the next phase of its growth, while maintaining the integrity of this unique gifted program.
  - b. CAG conference in person is currently still happening.
2. **Approval of Minutes** [December 9, 2021](#) Teresa moved to approve. Vanessa seconded. Approved unanimously as written.



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**3. Treasurer's Report -**

- i. Balance of accounts as of **December 31, 2021** = **\$4,919.36** (no change as of 1-13-22)
- ii. Receipts and payments (Requests for payment and budgets during committee reports)

Account Activity for December, 2021		
12/1/2021	<b>\$4,656.8</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>
12/3/2021	\$75.00	Atascadero USD,
12/4/2021	\$75.00	Conejo USD
12/7/2021	<b>(\$37.51)</b>	HARLAND CLARKE CHECK/ACC. 120621 00732667575482 (check purchase)
12/10/2021	\$75.00	Santa Maria Bonita SD
12/20/2021	\$75.00	Goleta Union SD
12/31/2021	<b>\$4,919.36</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>

iii. Budget Overview

1. Purchase of second set of checks for central region \$(37.51) (Moved by Cindy Hansen, Seconded by Teresa Koontz. Approved 1/13/2022.)
2. Grants \$300.00 each for (2) teacher grants; \$200.00 each for (1) parents; \$150.00 each for students. **Total allotted -\$1,100.00.** Approved October 14, 2021.

**2. 2021-2022 Committee Reports/Requests**

- a. **Membership** -- Susan Camarena (send reminder February 10)



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AS OF January 13, 2021- Fees have been received from:

Hueneme Elementary S.D.,  
Ventura Unified S.D.,  
Meadows Art & Technology Elementary,  
Atascadero USD,  
Conejo USD  
Santa Maria Bonita S.D.  
Goleta Union, S.D.

**b. We Honor Our Own -- Vanessa Heller, Leya, Stefanie -- Meeting over break (date?)**

- i. **Shout out on the website and at their local school boards. Multi person form TCGC present at school board if possible (public comment time).**
- ii. **Distinguished Service Award (CAG) (must be member)**  
<https://cagifted.org/membership/>
- iii. **Nominations (in these unprecedented times, recognition for over and beyond?)**

c. **Grants-- Teresa Koontz Extended Deadline January 11, 2022** – Received 5 teacher, 0 parent, and 7 student grant applications. Applications distributed to the grant readers on 1/12/2022. Readers are: Vanessa Heller, Carly Starn, Cindy Hansen, Alex Mejia Holdsworth, and Jill Means. Readers will submit scores by Monday, Jan 17, 2022.

- a. **Tri-County GATE Colloquium** -- Restricted by logistics
- b. **GATEway to Leadership** -- Restricted by logistics

**2. 2021-2022 Elections/Nominations (*Vanessa Heller*)**

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**Bylaws** - Google form was delivered to all subscribed individuals, provided executive board position job descriptions and requested nominations for president, secretary, and treasurer.

- i. **President – Cindy Hansen**
- ii. **Treasurer(s) – PLEASE!!!**
- iii. **Secretary – Revolving**



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3. **DISCUSSION TOPIC:** Equitable identification and Services

a. Key Ideas:

b. Resources:

- i. ***Empowering Underrepresented Gifted Students*** by Joy Lawson Davis and Deb Douglas (2021) Free Spirit Publishing
- ii. ***Culturally Responsive Teaching in Gifted Education*** edited by Fugate, Behrens, Boswell, & Davis. (2021) Prufrock Press.

4. Agenda items for next meeting

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***Our next meeting is on February 10, 2022 at 3:30pm***

Respectfully submitted by **Cindy Hansen**