

ANNUAL REPORT of CATE Board Reports for 2022

Board Member	Report
<p>Greg Johnson, Past President (2023) gregj27@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>Past President Board Report for 2022 by Greg Johnson As past president for CATE for 2022, I did the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solicited from local councils Classroom Excellence Award nominations for CATE 2022 • Worked with Robb Polski, CATE President, to coordinate awards for the 2022 CATE Convention • Created and published voting ballots for open board positions • Monitored election results and reported them to the CATE board • Participated in and attended three CATE board meetings • Participated in three advisory calls in preparation for CATE board meetings • Worked with Denise Mikkonen to help with Treasurer duties • Advised Robb Polski in helping complete his duties as CATE President <p>Respectfully submitted, Greg Johnson</p>
<p>Robb Polski, President (2023) Robert_Polski@kernhigh.org</p>	<p>Since February, I have had various virtual meetings and conversations with Denise Mikkonen to discuss CATE finances, helping locals, and health of bank and investment accounts. I worked the “President’s Perspective” for the next issues of California English. I worked with Greg Johnson (past president) and Sommer lamele (vice president) discussing scheduling and concerns surrounding upcoming elections, awards, meetings and hotel arrangements and contracts. I have had advisory meetings to discuss the upcoming meeting.</p> <p>Since May, I have had various virtual meetings and conversations with Denise Mikkonen to discuss CATE finances, helping locals, and health of bank and investment accounts. I worked the “President’s Perspective” for the next issues of California English. I worked with Greg Johnson (past president) and Sommer lamele (vice president) discussing scheduling and concerns surrounding upcoming elections, awards, meetings and hotel arrangements and contracts. I meet virtually with CATE members and NCTE leadership to discuss the responsibilities and requirements during NCTE’s convention in November. I have had advisory meetings to discuss the upcoming meeting.</p> <p>Since September, I have had various virtual meetings and conversations with Denise Mikkonen to discuss CATE finances, helping locals, and health of bank and investment accounts. I worked the “President’s Perspective” for the next issues of California English. I worked with Greg Johnson (past president) and Sommer lamele (vice president) discussing scheduling and concerns surrounding upcoming elections, awards, meetings and hotel arrangements and contracts. I meet virtually with CATE leadership to discuss the responsibilities and requirements during NCTE’s convention in November and then attended and volunteered at the NCTE convention in Anaheim, CA. I have had advisory meetings to discuss the upcoming meeting.</p> <p>Since December, I have had various virtual meetings and conversations with Denise Mikkonen to discuss CATE finances. I worked the “President’s Perspective” for the next issues of California English. I have been busy putting together the awards and speeches for the 2023 convention in Monterey and have met with the convention chairs, coordinator, and advisory board as well.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Robb Polski, President of the California Association of Teachers of English</p>
<p>Sommer lamele, Vice President (2023) siamela@powayusd.com</p>	<p>CATE Board of Directors RE: Vice President Annual Report</p>

	<p>This year has been both busy and gratifying in my role as Vice President.</p> <p>In my role as state Vice President, I coordinated executive council advisory calls prior to each board meeting. I also secured contracts for hotel rooms, meeting space, and meals for our May, September and December board meetings.</p> <p>In my teaching profession, I continue to work at Oak Valley Middle School teaching 7th grade humanities. I also serve as our union representative for our site, as well as a member on the school site council. Next year I will be teaching AVID, a program which focuses on closing the opportunity gap in education. I will be attending the AVID summer Institute in June.</p>
<p>Carole LeCren, Secretary carolelecren@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Annual Report As secretary, I took minutes for each board meeting, and posted approved minutes on CATEweb.org. I took on the project of review and suggesting revisions for the CATE policies (a weeklong meeting with Michelle Berry and Joan Williams). Almost all the policies have been reviewed and revised when needed by the six standing committees. I made business cards for those board members who requested them.</p> <p>In addition to my secretarial duties, I worked as the graphic art designer for the convention, and the program/sessions chair.</p> <p>I also started posting on CATE's Instagram account on a regular (almost daily) basis, with "Thoughts for the Day" lesson ideas, and advertising for the convention.</p> <p>On a personal note, I retired from teaching after 37 years with the San Diego Unified School District.</p>
<p>Denise Mikkonen, Treasurer dmikkonen@powayusd.com; denisemikkonen18@gmail.com</p>	<p>To: CATE Board From: Denise Mikkonen Treasurer RE: Annual Board Report</p> <p>In fulfilling my duties as co-treasurer for this year, I have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Attended all CATE board meetings over the last 12 months *Participated in Board Advisory Calls *Maintained records of CATE financials using Quicken *Maintained finances, issued checks, paid accounts due, and managed budget *Met with other treasurer throughout the year to work on financial matters related to CATE *Provided credit card and other information to hotels in advance of CATE board meetings *Worked with CPA on tax filings related to CATE *Worked with CPA to file and send IRS 1099 forms <p>Respectfully Submitted, Denise Mikkonen - Treasurer</p>
<p>Rebecca Detrick, Capitol Rep rjdetrick@ucdavis.edu</p>	<p>Capitol Rep, Annual Report:</p> <p>This past year feels like a hibernation year of sorts for Capitol Council. With the transition of leadership after some quiet years during the pandemic, it has been difficult to identify ways to encourage new membership on a grand scale and to find time to meet and support current members in more local spaces. Capitol covers so much rural area, that it has always been difficult to find meeting places, and leadership and members seem "zoomed out" and attempt to stay off of extra meetings (even fabulously collaborative and networking centered) when not connected to required activities of jobs, etc.</p> <p>I look forward to participating in brainstorming new ways to connect with our members at this upcoming Convention in Monterey!</p>
<p>Susan Dillon, Central Rep, CATE 2023 Chair</p>	<p>Central Rep Report:</p>

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This past year, I worked in concert with the CCCTE board on Zoom and in person.

We had several planning meetings on Zoom for CATE 2023 and the writing contest.

Three members met in person to judge the entries for the CATE writing contest, which Liz McAninch coordinated.

We held our Young Writers' Award ceremony this past fall at the ICA Cristo Rey School in San Francisco. We were delighted by the attendance and enthusiasm of our writers and their families. Will Huddleston videotaped and photographed the event. Student recitations are available for viewing on our council's web page.

I attended several events to promote CATE 2023, and we all distributed flyers and contacted school districts/private schools/diocesan offices by email for CATE 2023.

I continue to send out quarterly emails to Central members to keep them updated on local happenings and CATE 2023.

I continue to work with new teachers in my diocese, and I help with accreditation efforts as a WASC commission alternate reader.

CATE 2022: I happily accepted an invitation to work at the New Teacher table, as new teachers are some of my favorite folks! It was a wonderful experience, and kudos to Akiko for the wonderful gifts she donated.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Dillon

CATE 2023 Convention Chairperson's Annual Report

Since appointment, I have worked with the local committee to brainstorm speakers, the logo, and theme, as well as ways to bring awareness of CATE 2023 to membership.

Convention tasks that I attended to include:

Securing speakers and securing introduction folks for the speakers.

Securing CATE 2023 committee members from the executive board.

Maintaining good relationships with speakers and/or their representatives via emails.

Going to the convention site to meet with the convention coordinators and convention site liaison.

Securing materials for the convention, such as lanyards and some donations for attendees to enjoy.

Working with the convention coordinators and program chair in areas as indicated in the convention handbook and as needed.

Working with the CYRM coordinator to figure out how to best proceed with the CYRM medalists.

Attending NCTE as a registered attendee to promote CATE 2023 as well as volunteer for a few hours.

Attending in-person events to promote CATE 2023, as well as promoting through emails and postal mailings.

Participating in an advisory call.

	<p>Asking board members to help at CATE 2023 in a variety of ways. Thanks for saying yes.</p> <p>I am very grateful to you all and proud to serve with you. You all go above and beyond for CATE and its teachers.</p>
<p>Member of FACET Board, FACET Rep Janina.Schulz@fresnounified.org</p>	
<p>Gina Vattuone, GSDCTE Rep ginavattuone@gmail.com</p>	<p>GSDCTE CATE Annual Board Report for 2022</p> <p>We met in October to review our working budget from pre-covid and Updated budget for July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023. As of October our current local council membership was 48. We will meet up as a council during the CATE Convention in Monterrey. Our upcoming board meetings are April 13 and June 1 (first Thursdays of the month).</p> <p>2022 saw the return of our local council book club SD CATE Reads. Follow on Instagram & Twitter.</p> <p>Our council sent representatives to NCTE's annual convention "Suenos, Pursuing the Light" as well as their affiliate convention "Homegoing". One exciting development is NCTE's new initiatives to support affiliates. If you have not yet, take some time to explore the resources that they offer: https://ncte.org/groups/affiliates/affiliate-resources/ As an affiliate council, we were invited to co-host an online event in September, "This Story Matters: An Intellectual Freedom Discussion". We are looking forward to ways that our partnership with NCTE will continue to strengthen and grow our local council and in turn CATE.</p> <p>2022 NEWSLETTERS June - https://www.smores.com/kgf8p September - https://www.smores.com/9y8be October - https://www.smores.com/2s51u December - https://www.smores.com/qb02z</p> <p>GSDCTE CATE Board Report for March 2023 SD CATE Reads met on October 15th for a meetup, discussion of a short text and handing out the next month's book to read. The next meeting was December 10th to discuss the book <i>The House in the Cerulean Sea</i> by TJ Klune. Met this past Saturday to discuss <i>Daisy Jones and the Six</i>.</p>
<p>Kim Flachmann, Kern Rep kflachmann@csb.edu</p>	<p>KERN COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT: 2022</p> <p>Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We had our February meeting at President Polski's home, where we announced our Excellence in Teaching Award winner, ate Mr. Polski's fabulous cuisine, had a brief business meeting, and hosted a book exchange. • At our April 19, 2022 meeting (on Zoom), we had a business meeting and chose our representative to the Santa Barbara Writing Project for summer 2022. • On July 14, 2022, we had our planning meeting for the year. • At our meeting on Oct 21, 2022, we discussed procedures for choosing our Classroom Excellence Award. <p>Board Members We had no changes in our Board Members. We continue to flourish with exceptional support from key educators and administrators in our community.</p> <p>Membership Drives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 22, 2022 (Saturday): A full-day workshop with Penny Kittle on Zoom Topic: Reading and Writing 50 participants. <p>March 5, 2022 (Saturday): A full-day workshop with Matthew</p>

	<p>Johnson on Zoom Topic: Handling the Paper-Grading Load 60 participants.</p> <p>March 26, 2022 (Saturday): A full-day workshop with Jill Hamilton-Bunch on Zoom Topic: Academic Literacy 60 Participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 25, 2022: A virtual meeting of Building Bridges* to launch our One Book choice for 2022-23: <i>A Mighty Long Way</i> by Carlotta Walls LaNier Keynote Speaker: Dee Spade, social justice activist in Bakersfield *Building Bridges is a local conference of English teachers from 4 colleges and 24 high schools (Kern High School District) Sept 9, 2022, 4-7: Back-to-School Party for high school and college faculty This was our first in-person gathering since March 2020. Oct 10, 2022, 8:30-3:30: A full-day workshop with Matthew Kay on Zoom Topic: Reading, Writing, and Social Justice 60 participants <p>Kern Community Response to COVID We continued to convert ERWC modules to Canvas for use by our high school English teachers.</p> <p>Kern Teaching Awards We nominated Dr. Jill Hamilton-Bunch for Excellence in Teaching Award (College level).</p> <p>One Book Project: <i>A Mighty Long Way</i> by Carlotta Walls LaNier</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aug 2022: Discussion of strategies for teaching <i>A Mighty Long Way</i> Nov 2022: Dinner of KCTE Board with Carlotta Walls LaNier Nov 2022: Presentation by Carlotta Walls LaNier (One Book Project) Nov 2022: Six cash prizes from our council awarded for high school and college essays related to the common One Book prompt <p>Book Club Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 2022: <i>Cloud Cuckoo Land</i> by Anthony Doerr October 2022: <i>A Mighty Long Way</i> by Carlotta Walls LaNier (One Book Project) <p>Essay Contests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Book Project Essay Contest (grades 9-12 and 13) On-going in the schools <p>Recruitment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 2022: Summer recruitment postcards sent July 2022: Emails to members we lost <p>Kern Online Presence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> KERN CATE: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKDth2kbjgQ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBtZl39Zmy4 Facebook Presence <p>Submitted by Kim Flachmann President of Kern Council</p>
<p>Vicki Kurtz, Redwood Rep missvkurtz@gmail.com</p>	<p>Throughout 2022, Redwood has attempted digital communications via Facebook, Zoom, and old-fashioned cards in the mail--all to little avail. We have not been entirely ghosted, but aside from some "likes" and "loves" and a few Zoom maybes in my email, very few acknowledged connections have been made overall. Last spring our Round Table Zoom discussions started out strong with a hosted talk about banned books and how to handle discussions with opposed parties, but fizzled in the fall of 2023 and even though there was a</p>

	<p>spark of interest of our members to continue with critical race theory discussion, it wasn't enough to continue scheduling them.</p> <p>High points during the year included Crystal Fennell's award for Middle School Classroom Excellence Award and subsequent celebration at a beautiful local venue. In addition to receiving her award, she acquired a support group of local CATE members which led her to joining in our Zoom meetings and following our FB account. Our local writing contest was also a huge winner in 2022, largely due to the involvement of Redwood Writing Project Director Nicolette Amann and Sarah Ben-Zvi, who have also agreed to take on 2023's writing contest. We have been asking our members to consider joining the Resolutions Committee, and although it fell through for this year due to conflicting engagements, we have someone who is interested in doing it next year.</p> <p>We are pleased that one of our secondary teachers will be receiving the Classroom Excellence Award in March and Joan Williams and I had a wonderful time presenting her nomination to her in front of the entire school. When we return from Monterey, we will plan our local celebration.</p> <p>Therefore, Redwood CATE is alive and breathing, but spread out across many miles of snow blanketed forests and raging rivers (currently anyway). Everyone is busy and keeping their heads down in this very trying time in education.</p>
<p>Jennifer Silver, Southland Rep jennifersilver@vistamarschool.org</p>	<p>Southland (SCTE) Annual Report</p> <p>As Southland's president, I am responsible for the creation and/or coordination of most SCTE programs and events. This year, the Southland Council of Teachers of English stayed busy with our community partnerships. In the fall, we organized a delightful walking tour of L.A.'s theaters. Winter events included robust volunteer participation at CATE and, during the latter part of the year, NCTE. In the spring, we selected and celebrated our winners from the CATE Student Writing Contest. Most notably, we curated and published 14 different reading guides for books on the L.A. Conservancy's "People and Places Booklist," including discussion questions and suggested activities for each book, all based in the Southland. These digital guides have already been downloaded by thousands of local teachers, parents, and community members. We look forward to more in-person events in 2023!</p> <p>On the CATE board, I attended all board meetings and served on the Executive Finance and Convention Coordinating subcommittees. I am proud of the negotiation skills and creativity required to manage these takes well, and it truly takes a village to raise a convention. Since we do not have an active Past President of SCTE, I also gathered all relevant nomination materials for our Teacher of Excellence Award recipient, former CATE board member Mary Adler.</p> <p>Personally, I am currently celebrating my "silver anniversary" teaching and, thanks to several grants, was selected to travel to Nepal throughout October to visit schools and live in a mountaintop monastery.</p>
<p>Carol Surabian, TUCATE Rep surabianc8@gmail.com</p>	<p>End of Year Report 2022: TUCATE</p> <p>It had been difficult to maintain contact with our council during the pandemic, although we continued to try. We hope to welcome younger members as we strive to bring up our numbers. I met with one such beginning teacher who is very interested in becoming more active.</p> <p>TUCATE continues to strive to be a viable council and look to local and state leaders to help us as we continue in our efforts to be of value to English teachers of Tulare and Kings Counties.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Carol Surabian TUCATE President</p>

<p>Jori Krulder, Upper Rep jkrulder@pusdk12.org</p>	
<p>Julie Burnett, MAL Elementary (2025) jpaulsen@csub.edu; Julie_Burnett@kernhigh.org</p>	<p>Annual 2023 MAL Elementary CATE Board Report</p> <p>This last year, after earning my elementary and single subject clear credentials, I have continued to teach primarily for the Kern High School District in a blended learning program that serves all 17 high schools and vocational campuses. I am developing curriculum best suited to my students and enjoying that very much. I continue to teach freshman composition at CSUB, and again, I feel beyond blessed to help students launch their higher education.</p> <p>I have attended KCTE and CATE board meetings and offered support to the committees I am on. I help with RIAP to provide quality professional development to teachers, and I've been the leader of a team of teachers at KHSD Literacy Council. I am grateful to be a part of CATE as the Elementary Member At Large; thank you for allowing me to serve you.</p> <p>Respectfully Submitted, Julie Burnett MAL Elementary</p>
<p>Carol Battle, MAL Middle (2023) cefbattle@gmail.com</p>	<p>MAL Middle School 2022 Annual Report</p> <p><u>Winter 2022</u> I played an active role in nominating and advocating for an Elementary School Classroom Teacher of Excellence Award and two DEI scholarship recipients. My current professional role enables me to work with many classroom teachers and as expected, covid has negatively affected teachers in such a way that I have come across several who have turned in their notice for the end of the school year or intend to do so. I plan to bring to CATE an urgency to build mentoring and support opportunities for current teachers.</p> <p>I also submitted an article to CA English addressing the need for continued attention and resolve in terms of DEI issues in classrooms. The tensions and strains of covid have exposed and exacerbated many issues.</p> <p><u>Spring 2022</u> I met with the GSD Council President to plan potential activities to revitalize activity within the Greater San Diego Area. After informally meeting with local, novice teachers, I brought our Council President their most pressing concerns. Additionally, I had a Sub Committee meeting with the DEI Standing Committee. We debriefed CATE 2022 and brainstormed ways in which DEI can support our conference Chair. We also discussed the issue of revising CATEs Mission and Vision beyond addressing policies so we can refocus efforts on growing and supporting teachers in the field. Ideas garnered were discussed with our CATE President via conference call.</p> <p><u>Summer 2022</u> closely with the GSDCATE affiliate. We sent two representatives to NCTE Leadership in Kentucky and have met to both debrief and move forward with planning that emphasizes the support of new/novice teachers and support for veterans who did not know about the resources CATE can provide.</p> <p>I continue to support multiple subjects pre-service and novice teachers in elementary and middle schools giving me a close look at their needs. The school year is off to a positive start, though schools are staffed with higher percentages of novice teachers needing a wealth of support.</p> <p><u>Fall 2022</u> I attended the GSDCATE affiliate Board meeting where we planned for our latest book club and started work on a long term conference focused on supporting newer teachers. I also attended and presented at the California Council of Teacher Educators Southern California Conference. Additionally, a few of my current teacher residents and I wrote a submission for California English regarding book banning. While I was unable to get any of them to attend NCTE, I exposed them to the benefits of attending such conferences and am hopeful they will participate in the future.</p>

	<p>My two session proposals were accepted for the upcoming CATE conference. One supports the DEI Committee work to create Affinity groups within our CATE Membership and the other broadens that work with a focus on decolonizing classrooms.</p>
<p>Ashley Prevo, MAL Secondary (2025) aprevo10@gmail.com</p>	<p>Here is my annual report.</p> <p>In my first year as MAL Secondary, I have worked on forming relationships with new teachers in the San Diego area, mainly through the GSDCTE Book Club. We had 7 educators at our first meeting, half of whom had never heard of CATE. The conversation was rich and refreshing. The group consisted of educators who have been in the profession for 20+ years and those only a year or two in. I am planning on growing this group a little at a time with its focus being to foster connection amongst educators and promote CATE.</p> <p>I am excited to support the Convention Committee at this year's conference by providing two morning wellness walks and, potentially, short guided stretches before sessions. See you all soon!</p> <p>All the best, Ashley</p>
<p>April Parker, MAL Unspecified (2023) aparkerteacher@aol.com</p>	<p>CATE Annual Board Report</p> <p>Attended Southland Council meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Established Social Media goals with other committee members o Sent an eblast for NCTE volunteers, Writing contest, welcome back to school o Sent an eblast for Writing Contest, NCTE Volunteers o Go Tell it in the Classroom: An intimate conversation about James Baldwin with personal friend, David Moses <p>Working with Frank Mata for 2024 Convention theme and other components to be ready to announce details for 2023 convention</p> <p>Attended fundraiser for Houston Gospel Music Museum, Living Legends of Gospel Music presentation</p> <p>Produced Trial of the Wicked Witch, Crucible, Never Play with Dead Things, and Desperate Housewives of Shakespeare, working on Grease for Spring Lived in Guanajuato, MX for the summer to improve my Spanish skills. Lived with a family and gained valuable teaching strategies for my own practice, especially for my instruction with EL students.</p> <p>Read Dana Goldstein's Teaching Wars, Freedom! The Story of the Black Panther Party by Jetta Grace Martin, Joshua Bloom, Waldo E. Martin Jr., Starfish and the Spider, Memory Police, Children of Blood and Bones, Firekeeper's Daughter</p> <p>I joined CETA (free membership offer)</p> <p>Mentored student-teacher</p>
<p>Kylowna Moton, MAL College (2023) kylowna@gmail.com</p>	<p>Annual CATE Board Reports Kylowna Moton: MAL College</p> <p>I continue to work with SCTE's board to plan events for our Southern California members. I wrote study guide questions for a Los Angeles-based book as part of SCTE's collaboration with the LA Conservancy. We hosted our second annual walking tour with the conservancy, and we look forward to growing that partnership. I am leading the judging of the SCTE entries in the CATE writing contest.</p> <p>I co-presented a 4-hour workshop at NCTE on Decolonizing the English Classroom, and completed my extended term on the Standing Committee on Global Citizenship. But I will continue to support the work of the committee and participate in events led by the committee.</p>

	<p>I recently attended the ERWC webinar with Daniel Summerhill on the Rhetoric of Poetry as well as the Global Society of Online Literacy Educators conference.</p> <p>I have been accepted (along with my two NCTE co-presenters) to lead a session on Decolonizing the Classroom at CCCC this week (Feb 15-18). We (my co-presenters and I) meet regularly to work on a book project (on decolonizing classrooms) that came out of work with the Standing Committee on Global Citizenship at NCTE,</p> <p>I am looking forward to attending CATE 2023.</p>
<p>Liz McAninch, MAL Unspecified (2024) elmcaninch@comcast.net</p>	<p><u>ANNUAL REPORT 2022: MAL UNSPECIFIED MCANINCH</u></p> <p>The Central Council had a meeting in January to kick off plans for CATE 2023. Susan Dillon, hard at work already, led our group in an exciting discussion of possible main presenters. We look forward to more planning meetings in the coming months. We kept in contact through Zoom until April when I hosted a meeting at my home. Many of the speakers had been set, but we discussed more possibilities for some of the ones we could not get as well as jobs for the convention. I agreed to serve as Autograph Chair.</p> <p>As Central's CATE Writing Coordinator, I distributed information to local schools in the early months of the year.</p> <p>The Curriculum Study Commission had planned an Asilomar Conference for the fall title <i>Decolonizing Curriculums: Awareness and Inclusion through Content, Design and Instruction</i>. Unfortunately, financial issues forced a cancellation.</p> <p>In April, Central Council members read and selected entries from the CATE Writing contest. We submitted four pieces. Since it was so late in the school year as well as difficult to find an appropriate space (due to COVID restrictions at that time), we decided to delay the reception for the winners in September.</p> <p>On October 30, Central held a reception in San Francisco for our first- place winners as well as recognizing seven "Writers of Distinction." Central's tradition has been to recognize not only the first the first-place winners, but also add selected top-runners as "Writers of Distinction." The writers and their families filled the library of ICA Academy. Writers read their pieces to an enthusiastic audience and then each received a certificate and gift card. As Writing Contest Coordinator, I arranged the site, the food and gift cards. Central members donated books; each writer selects a book when checking in to the room. The afternoon ended with a beautiful speech from Central's President Susan Dillon. The writers and their families expressed their delight and appreciation of the event. Central feels that events such as this reinforces the importance of encouraging and recognizing student writers. It remains one of Central's favorite events.</p> <p>I had not been to NCTE in person since COVID and was delighted to attend the convention in Anaheim in November. I joined the group of CATE volunteers, splendidly steered by Carole LeCren. It afforded an opportunity to see "what goes on behind the scenes" and to meet many of NCTE's new staff. We cheered on Carol Jago who received the JAMES R. SQUIRE award. The Affiliate Roundtable Breakfast on Sunday also provided another opportunity for CATE members to celebrate <i>California English's</i> recognition as the top journal in the country!</p> <p>Submitted by Liz McAninch</p>
<p>Joan Williams, MAL Small Council (2024) joanwilliams@gmail.com</p>	<p>MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2022 Joan Williams, Membership Chair until July 2022 Member at Large, Small Council from July 2022 to present</p> <p>A big focus for membership was to try to reconnect with the members that we lost during the time of COVID. A big assist in bringing back some of our members was the convention in Long Beach. While our booth was out of the</p>

	<p>mainstream, we gave away some books in a drawing, so we did generate some attention there and to run the Membership Booth for the last time. It was an honor to be the Membership Chair for 20+ years.</p> <p>Over the summer months, Carole LeCren, Michelle Berry, and I met to read through all of the CATE policies and recommend places where we noticed inconsistencies and omissions. Carole brought our observations to the CATE Board so that they could use our notes to review the policies and to bring them up to date.</p> <p>I have attended the virtual events and meetings this year and co-chaired the Membership Leadership Committee. We decided going forward to refer to the committee as Membership because leaders are developed through the members. Our goals are to serve all members and provide them with opportunities for leadership.</p> <p>I agreed to remain on the Board to complete the term of the MAL Small Council representative who was elected to the position of Membership Chair. In my new role, I will coordinate the New Teachers' Booth at the 2023 convention and assist the CATE President with duties as needed.</p> <p>In addition to my work on the CATE board, I have been serving as a board member of Redwood Council, assisting with the local writing contest and other activities. I am also co-coordinator of our local Humboldt County Children's Author Festival, and event that draws 25 authors from around the country to visit our area for four days to visit students in their classrooms.</p>
<p>Frank Mata, MAL Secondary (2024) frankmata32@gmail.com</p>	<p>Hey hey, everyone!</p> <p>In the latest of things, April and I have been meeting at least weekly, sometimes multiple times a week, discussing and planning for CATE 2024. I have been in contact with CTA in regard to securing some of their network's reach for some speakers; I am encouraged to have their support in all things CATE LA 2024. I have also been in contact with one potential speaker who I've seen a number of times and is the subject of my latest piece in the DEI column of our last CE issue: Dr. April Baker-Bell. We'll see where that goes. In the meantime, April and I are finalizing how we'd like to do our reveal for the CATE 2024 theme and we're still very much in the planning stages of what's to come.</p> <p>I'm excited to see everyone as I wasn't able to see you all at the last board meeting in San Diego. Specifically, I'm looking forward to continuing our self-examination within the mission statement process we're going through, and of course, I just look forward to being around all the great minds that make up this board.</p> <p>Peace & Love,</p> <p>Frank</p> <p>P.S. This year, for CTA's annual Equity & Human Rights conference, I will be honored with the CTA Peace and Justice Human Rights award. I was nominated and chosen from their selection committee and executive board. At their Saturday night gala, they're asking me to give a short speech and this concerns me more than anything I've ever done before... lol</p> <p>More importantly, for those of you who are CTA members, I encourage you to attend this year's CTA Equity and Human Rights Conference (hyperlinked in the title). I am learning that many local chapters have been funding members to attend (registration, travel, and lodging). Please consult your local chapter for details on attending. It is the weekend of March 17-19 in Santa Clara.</p> <p>~F</p>
<p>Lori Campbell, Membership Chair (2024) Lori_Campbell@kernhigh.org</p>	<p>Member at Large, Small Council from May 2022 to July 2022</p> <p>As MAL for small council, I was able to create PowToon videos for CATE 2022 convention including "Save the Date" and "Know before you Go." I was also able to help Julie Burnett (2022 Convention Chair) who also works in my English Department.</p> <p>After being voted as Membership Chair in February, I worked closely with Joan Williams who helped me assume the role. In June 2022, we also met with the</p>

	<p>new membership processor, to discuss the minutiae of the job and responsibilities. Joan and I have talked via phone several times. I am still a novice, and Joan continues to always be available to help me.</p> <p>I also serve on the ERWC Community and Communications team. In my role, I have been able to act as a liaison between both CATE and ERWC. CSU Steering Committee has wanted to expand their partnership with CATE by requesting a liaison position on the Board. ERWC has over 15,000 teachers trained in California. They provide two summer leadership training sessions to their teachers, and they hope that those teachers will become members of CATE, and CATE can provide a larger medium through which ERWC can reach their teachers. In December, 2022, the Board voted to accept that invitation, and we now have a position of ERWC Liaison opened for Dr. Chris Street from CSU Fullerton who will join us at the February meeting before Convention.</p>
<p>Annie Gervais and Jennifer Silver, Convention Co-Coordiators agervais451@gmail.com</p>	<p>Annual Report 2022 – Convention Coordinators</p> <p>As Convention Coordinators, we oversee the planning and implementation of the annual statewide convention, serve on the Executive Finance Committee, and lead the Convention Coordinating Committee. We also participate quarterly on the Advisory Board, which meets by conference call a few weeks before each Board meeting. Further, we answer emails and phone calls throughout the year addressing all things convention, coordinate the CFPs for upcoming sites, work with Groups360 to negotiate contracts (space, room blocks, food and beverage guarantees, AV, internet, and such), do site visits for the future, and guide convention chairs and the exhibits manager. And we coordinate the housing for Board members, Resolutions Committee members, and guest speakers at the convention.</p> <p>We are currently arranging site visits for the coming months in order to secure a CATE 2026 contract in Southern California.</p> <p>CATE 2022, “California Dreamin’: Reimagining the Future of English Education Together,” was held February 22-24 at the Long Beach Hilton under the fine leadership of Julie Burnett of Kern Council. Our speakers included Daniel Summerhill, David Moton, Kathleen Kryza, Joshua Aronson, Michelle Brittan Rosado, Azure Moyna, John Shore, Mike Sonksen, and Wendy Mills. Thanks to the negotiations and flexibility between parties, CATE 2022 met both its room block as well as the food and beverage minimum. We had 510 attendees. The Board had previously decided to contract with <i>eventPower</i> to manage convention online registration for this convention, and with the addition of Cindy Conlin as liaison between the Board, and <i>eP</i> and our attendees, the new registration system was a vast improvement to our registration needs. This system continues to streamline, with more efficient protocols and technology in place for CATE 2023.</p> <p>Planning for CATE 2023 began more than a year in advance, and will pay off beautifully in March. It will be held at the Hyatt Monterey with the theme “Sea Changes: Traditions and Transformations in California English Language Arts.” The local chair for that convention will be Susan Dillon of Central Council. Speakers for CATE 2023 include Daniel Summerhill, Obi Kaufman, Jaime Cortez, Kelly Gallagher, Traci Chee, Greg Sarris, Rene Rodriguez-Astacio, and Kate Schatz. To promote equitable practices and amplify teacher voices, we are implementing several structural changes to the convention schedule and protocol. We will report on the success of those alterations in the coming months.</p> <p>We look forward to another successful annual convention!</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Annie Gervais and Jennifer Silver Convention Co-Coordiators</p>
<p>Bill Younglove, Common Core Consultant/Legislative Analyst wyoungl@aol.com</p>	<p>CATE Board Annual (2022) Report from Liaison (final time as) Common Core Consultant Bill Younglove</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoomed all SCTE Board meetings, plus attended James Baldwin noted speaker in April.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoomed CATE Board meetings, plus took part in Long Beach 2022 Convention; was at December San Diego (Convention 2023) preparatory Board meeting. • Attended 4-day NCTE (111th) Convention in Anaheim (11/17-20); enlisted CSULB's Professor Stephanie Johnson's volunteer student helpers. • Zoomed CSC (Curriculum Study Commission) Board meetings to prepare for 9/29-10/1 (2023) in-person Asilomar Conference. • Legislative Outreaches: Candidate Midterm Forums, including Long Beach City Council, State Assembly (Speaker Anthony Rendon) and Senate positions. • Attended AHO (Assn of Holocaust Organizations) Charlotte, NC Conference and University of South Carolina's new (\$1,000,000) Anne Frank Center, as well as Cypress College and Chapman University's Holocaust survivor gatherings. Zoomed the USHMM multi-day Belfer Conference. • Took part in 4 book clubs; 3 writing groups, including San Francisco Screenwriters' Film Conference. At Huntington Library, met with Lisa See (CA Council for the Social Studies). At UCLA Faculty Club, Professor Gary Orfield discussed his work, <i>The Walls Around Opportunity: The Failure of Colorblind Policy for Higher Education</i>. At Men of Mystery, hosted Leslie Klinger and Mike Befeler. Heard Malala Yousafzai speak at Long Beach Distinguished Speaker Series,. • At Chapman University, Santa Ana USD leaders discussed district's implementation of CA's Ethnic Studies Course requirement.
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<p>Tim Dewar, CWP Liaison dewar@education.ucsb.edu</p>	<p>CWP Liaison Annual Report 2022</p> <p>The California Writing Project (CWP) sponsored and produced the James Gray Memorial Preconvention at CATE's Annual Convention on February 24, 2022. The morning keynote speaker was Antero Garcia. There were additionally three rounds of breakout sessions, each with four different presentations each round. This year, one strand of breakouts consisted of opportunities for teachers to write and receive feedback within the session. The conference was well attended, though attendance was down from our pre-COVID average.</p> <p>The 15 affiliated CWP sites offered a variety of programs for new and inservice teachers over the spring and summer months. Twelve sites offered some version of our keystone program, the Summer Leadership Institute. The formats continue to evolve in response to public health concerns, but the majority had an in-person component.</p> <p>Over the summer, CWP commenced planning for a face-to-face Preconvention in 2023 in Monterey. Our theme is Charting New Waters: Writing in a Post-Pandemic World. We are very fortunate to have as our keynote speaker, the poet Brynn Saito. We have assembled a dynamic line-up of break-out sessions, expanding to six offerings in three different rounds. We will continue the strand we started last year of a Writing Room, where attendees can write and receive feedback on their writing.</p> <p>CWP appreciates the award-winning <i>California English</i> as a venue for teacher writers to publish. Authors affiliated with CWP sites continue to appear in every issue of <i>California English</i>.</p> <p>Humbly submitted,</p> <p>Tim Dewar CWP Liaison Executive Director, CWP</p>

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<p>Carol Jago, <i>California English</i> Editor, Liaison California Reading and Literature Project cjago@caroljago.com</p>	<p>Annual Report, 2022 <i>California English</i> editor, Carol Jago</p> <p><i>California English</i> is the quarterly journal of the California Association of Teachers of English. In 2022 the magazine published four issues focusing on issues of importance to California English Language Arts teachers. Manuscripts for the journal are garnered through calls for manuscripts focusing on a theme and sent out for online peer review. The calls are circulated through social media and shared across NCTE and California Writing Project communities.</p> <p>Once again, the National Council of Teachers of English awarded <i>California English</i> with an Affiliate Journal of Excellence Award for our May 2021 issue.</p> <p>Along with articles on teaching and learning, the journal includes news of CATE work in the field: conferences, resolutions, the CATE ballot, local council events, and CATE writing contest winners, for both student and professional writing.</p> <p>All reviews are conducted via email, forwarding reviewers manuscripts that have been submitted online. The quality of the manuscripts received has been consistently excellent. The editor has attempted to make the most of the magazine pages by asking writers to keep their articles under 2,000 words.</p> <p><i>California English</i> includes advertising from publishers and education-related businesses. This revenue assists in covering the costs of publication and mailing.</p> <p>The CATE Board consistently provides the editor with suggestions for topics to present as calls for manuscripts.</p>