

# CSCA 2025 Widening the Scope Convention: GIFT Business Meeting

Saturday, April 5th, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. EDT

## Meeting Minutes

Called to order at 11:00am

### In attendance:

Katie Turkiewicz, Chair  
Tracie Devault, Vice Chair  
Angela Glunz, Secretary

Layden Cole  
Kelsey Menge  
Lisa Pavia-Higel  
Amanda Medlock-Klyukovski

### Old Business:

#### 2024s Meeting Minutes:

1. Additions or Changes to the 2024 Minutes: None
2. Motion regarding the 2024 Minutes: Laydon - motion, Lisa - seconded, unanimous approval

### New Business:

Outgoing Chair: Katie Turkiewicz  
Incoming Chair: Tracie Devault  
Incoming Vice: Angela Glunz

#### Update on 2025 Conference:

1. We were fortunate to accept 58 of 62 submitted activities (3 declined, 1 transferred). Only 5 designated “Online” activities, not enough to create an entire session. Instead, they were combined with AI activities.
2. We chose to use a “panel” format for our sessions in 2025. Would like to do this again in 2026.
  - Some presenters were confused about where to sit
  - Each round should be closer to 10 minutes for more time for questions
  - Have everyone come up to the front to present so it’s easier for the attendees to hear the elevator pitches
  - Encourage the presenters to have QR codes
  - Compile leftover handouts that can be brought to the next GIFTS sessions
  - Ask presenters to bring a printed brief description of their elevator pitches
3. Attendance at the 6 sessions has been strong – approx. 50 at #1, .....
4. We had a robust reviewer pool for 2025 – keep up the great work recruiting people to take part! The list stays in the CSCA online system, so add any new names that signed up prior to sending out email confirming their interest in reviewing for 2026. Remove anyone that requests to be removed from the reviewer pool.
5. Awards: (Certificates and checks given to recipients at the top GIFT session)
  1. Top Activity:
    1. Kelsey Menge: Bismarck State College
    2. “Oral Citation Mad Libs”
  2. Top Student Activity:
    1. Dylan Hines: Ball State University
    2. “Fictional Narrative Advertising”

6. GIFT Reviewers: We asked attendees to please sign up to review the GIFT submissions next year. Most did sign up. We agreed to collect more reviewers at later sessions.

7. We will continue to add to the GIFT repository that was created in 2022. Tracie & Angie will send out link to google drive to GIFT interest group members once repository is updated.

8. 2026 Conference:

Conference Theme: Translate!

- Location: Minneapolis, MN
- Date: April 14 – 19
- Theme description – this conference theme is a call to consider how we can communicate what we know to people outside the academy walls.

9. 2026 session planning – any specific session themes we are seeking? Any specific types of activities we are seeking to highlight?

- More CMC focused GIFTS
- GIFTS meeting student needs, social anxiety, neurodivergence, stage anxiety
- Smartphone focused activities
- Gamification panel aligns with GIFTS in many ways

**Elections:**

1. Election for the position of Secretary.

a. We had 1 candidate for the position of GIFT secretary: Amanda Medlock-Klyukovski

b. Since there weren't any other candidates, or opposition to Amanda, Amanda was the unanimous winner.

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m. EST