



NAAE Convention Committee Report November 2009

Committee: Public Policy

	Name	State
Committee Chair:	Aaron Geiman	MD
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Region I	Trent Coates	NV
Region I	Larry Wright	CA
Region II	Tommy Milligan	OK
Region II	Allen Miller	OK
Region III	Neil Pearson	MN
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Region IV	Morris McClelland	IL
Region IV	Michael Ross	KY
Region V	Terry Shartzter	TN
Region V	Kevin Jump	GA
Region VI	SaraBeth Wanbaugh	PA
Region VI	Terry Hughes	NY

Item:

Discuss top issues for public policy and prioritize.

Motion:

None

Key strategic priority areas supported by this activity:**Discussion (Background/Purpose/Advantage/Disadvantages):**

- 1 - Continue to support efforts of the *Strategies for Quality and Growth* Advocacy Committee and ACTE Policy Issues.
 - Continue to build partnership with organizations that share the AGED view. (Corn Growers, Farm Bureau)
- 2 - Build new relationships to proactively address potential changes in leadership at USDE.
- 3 - Continue to support the FFA Commemorative Coin Act.
- 4 - Develop tools/samples of state advocacy and alternative funding models (Illinois, California)
 - Advocacy Toolkit - Continue to identify and database state advocacy leaders; post on website.
 - Provide Web Links to Identified State Sites
 - Tools for Grassroots Advocacy between Local Entities (Farm Bureau, Corn Growers, Grain Boards, etc...)
- 5 - Maintain and/or Increase SPEC funding

Action Taken:

Prioritized list above.

Item:

Review the Advocacy Link on NAAE Website.

Motion:

None

Key strategic priority areas supported by this activity:**Discussion (Background/Purpose/Advantage/Disadvantages):**

1. Post advocacy links to other states' actions on the Advocacy Link on NAAE Website.
2. Maintain Capital Advantage link.

Action Taken:

Recommend to the board the two discussion points above.

Item:

Discuss the California Agriculture Incentive Program

Motion:

None

Key strategic priority areas supported by this activity:

Discussion (Background/Purpose/Advantage/Disadvantages):

Members discussed the program.

Action Taken:

Take action as listed in point # 4 from Item #1 above.

Item:

Support for FFA Foundation’s Restructuring Process

A – Support for Additional Sponsor Representation on the FFA Foundation Board

B – Support the NAAE position that National FFA Advisor and President become Ex-Officio, non-voting members of the foundation board of trustees.

C –Recommend that the FFA Foundation Executive Director become an Ex-Officio, non-voting member of the foundation board of trustees.

Motion:

Mike Ross, KY moved the above. Neil Pearson, MN seconded.

Key strategic priority areas supported by this activity:

Discussion (Background/Purpose/Advantage/Disadvantages):

Need to publicize the strategy(ies) for rotating representation on the board, especially those listed under “Non-Profit Foundations”.

Action Taken:

Motion Carried

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Election of 2010 Committee Chair	Linda Sattler	WI
Election of 2010 Committee Chair:	Terry Hughes	NY

Adjournment:

By concensus.