The meeting was called to order by Hugh Mooney at 10:30 am in the Governor Room 2 & 3 at the Blake Hotel in Charlotte, NC.

Welcome!

Larry Wright (CA) moved to approve the agenda, 2\textsuperscript{nd}. Vote- passed

Sam Atherton spoke on behalf of the FFA Alumni Association

Hugh spoke on next years NAAE conference that will take place November 17-21, 2009 in Nashville, TN. He encouraged everyone to come and take part at the Opryland Hotel.

LPS Representative Ernie Gill spoke to the region; he will be our LPS specialist for the Western Region. He asked each state to notify him of your state convention.

Announcements: Scholarships are now open, due Feb. 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2009 (any problems please contact them, Teri), proficiency updates, need one more representative from the Western region to represent on the _____________________________

FFA Horizons price is going up from $7 to $12 for the 2009 year.

Each regional state president was asked to introduce their fellow members and officer team:
Alaska- 0
Arizona- 1
California- 4
Hawaii- 0
Idaho- 7
Montana- 8
Nevada- 5
Oregon- 7
Utah- 3
Washington- 7
Wyoming- 2

Reminders:
- Door Prizes for second regional meeting
- Purchase tour and host state social tickets
- Scholarship raffle
- Relief Fund

Ray Nash- NAAE President-elect candidate came in and spoke to the group about his goals and ideas for the NAAE

The floor was open for Herd book nominations:
1) Chad Masser
2) Allison James

The necessary forms for each state and individual were distributed out to the Region I members.

Hugh passed out the workshop packets to the members to monitor.

**Committee Reports:**

Finance- Shawn Dygert  
- Relief Fund  
- Funds

Member Services- Tamara Whitcomb  
- Pocket Diaries: up to your region or state to find your own sponsor if you want them  
  * Shane Sutton from Nevada has found a sponsor for Region I, please see him to get a number per state.  
- Ideas Unlimited: Regional conference presentations, date conflicts, put a link on NAAE with everyone’s Idea  
- Communities of Practice: encourage a state to provide a facilitator or if you know of anyone that would like to facilitate a community to contact Julie at NAAE.

Professional Growth- Jeremy Plumb  
- Develop workshops on healthy lifestyle, etiquette/ethics, and engaging students from diverse backgrounds  
  * Provide incentives for teachers that stay in the profession for 5 years (application for the different functions)  
  * Teacher would go to workshops for the topics of etiquette and ethics, when, where, how to be proper, etc….  
  * Recruiting non-traditional teachers, cultural backgrounds, activities for professional development, teaching diversity without leaving the other students behind.  
- Retirement Workshops (insurance, benefits, and what to expect)

Public Policy- Casey Styver  
- Each state going to NPS gets $250 dollars, a lottery for money that specific states that don’t attend.  
- Looking at POA: making changes

Marketing- Chad Masser  
- POA looking over it for any necessary changes

Policy & By-laws-  
- No business had been presented to the committee  
- Review POA and By-laws
Strategic Planning- Justin Patton
- Passing a few things to Member services
- Questions on wording
- POA review

**Update on Region I Meeting: Lake Tahoe, NV**
- Tours in the Valley: Aquaculture and Bio-diesel
- Dinner done by a HS culinary arts program
- Professional Development Workshops:
  - Lab Aids ($8 a kit)
  - Computer lab curriculum
- Registration fee’s: ~$175
- Horizon Hotel and Casino
- [nvaged.org](http://nvaged.org) is the website to register for 2009 Region I meeting

**2010 Region I NAAE conference- Montana**
- Bozeman, MT
- April 21-24, 2010

**Region I Award Presentations to the states:**
- Teacher Turn the Key Winners- Cami Schumann (ID), Joylynn Petrosky (MT), Laura Moore (MT), Kate Crawford (OR), Justin Leighton (WA), Terra Smith (WA)
- Outstanding Young Member- JD Cant (OR)
- Outstanding Ag Educator Teacher- Randi Hunewill (NV)
- Outstanding Middle/Secondary Program- Missoula Public Schools (MT)
- Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult Program- Cosumnes River College (CA)
- Ideas Unlimited- Bob Brown (WA)
- Teacher Mentor Award- Jim Rose (MT)
- Outstanding Service Citation- Frank Downs (AZ)
- Outstanding Cooperation Award- Doris Hoskin (NV)

The meeting was adjourned until the next Regional meeting Friday at 9:30 -10:45 am.
The meeting was called to order by Hugh Mooney at 9:35 am in the Governor Room 2 & 3 at the Blake Hotel in Charlotte, NC.

Welcome!

Hugh discussed the awards ceremony at lunch today and to make sure you have your award winners present to get their awards.

**Hugh passed out Awards to states:**

- 100% Membership growth- Hawaii
- 100% State Membership- Nevada
- 10+ Membership Award- Wyoming
- Professional State Assoc. Award: California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon
- Distinguished State Assoc. Award: Nevada, Washington, Wyoming

**Region I Conference: Lake Tahoe, Nevada**

Dr. Love addressed the group on behalf of the Nevada Association hosting the Region I conference in April. To be held at the South Lake Tahoe in the Horizon Hotel and Casino, room rates $72 a night + tax (single or double occupancy) reservations need to be made by April 1st. The hotel/casino has 2-3 restaurants, buffet, steak house, Starbucks, theater, and within a few blocks there are other restaurants in town. The registration fee will cost $175 per person. Driving just go to South Tahoe, if you are going to fly, fly into Reno and there is an Express bus (~$21.00 one way, cost will be in the registration information) to Tahoe. Schedule for the conference (same as the Wyoming schedule), start on Wednesday and end on Saturday morning (by noon) April 22-25, 2009. Thursday afternoon is the tours, 1) Fish Hatchery and 2) Bio-Diesel, then off to dinner at a high school done by the culinary arts students. Activities: Casino, shows, theater, MS Dixie Paddle Boat Cruise, Gondola up the mountain.

Larry Church (ID) addressed the group to thank them about the Life Time Achievement Award he will receive this afternoon and how much it meant to him.

Herd book report: Chad Masser (MT) and Allyson (NV)

Chad moved to have the funds ($87.00) from the herd book to go to the Dennis Love Memorial (Wyoming delegation), 2nd. Vote- passed

Door Prizes

The Region I meeting was adjourned at 10:13 am by Vice Chair Hugh Mooney.