

NAAE REGION I MEETING
GREAT FALLS, MONTANA
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APRIL 21ST:

- **Opening Session in the Aronson/Mansfield ballroom**
- **Greetings from the Montana delegation**
- **Salute by Montana State officers**
- **Reflections Mr. George Sims**
- **Dinner**
- **Presentation by LPS Specialist- Ernie Gill**
- **Agenda corrections**

APRIL 22ND:

The morning began with a buffet style breakfast at poolside 7:30 am in the hotel. Four state reports were given by California, Colorado, New Mexico, and Oklahoma associations.

California:

- **Legislative report**
 - **Added credits to CTE in order for high school students to graduate**
- **They are selling Agriculture license plates (7500 minimum goal)**

Colorado:

- **99 Secondary Programs, 124 Secondary Teachers, 2 new Ag programs, 40,710 FFA Members, 10 Student teachers 2010, and 13 for 2011**
- **CCU under standards revision**

AAAE: New Mexico and Oklahoma

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The meeting was called to order by Region I Vice Chair Hugh Mooney at 8:35 am in the Aronson Room Great Falls, MT.

Welcome!

The Flag salute and Reflections were given by Mr. Tillman from the Montana association.

Nominations for the herd book were Heath Hornecker (Wyoming) and Steve Braun (Idaho).

Each regional state president was asked to introduce their fellow members, officer team, and give NAAE state reports:

Alaska- 0

Arizona- 3

Hawaii- 0

Idaho- 7

- 1st year membership scholarship program for IVATA members
- 17 FFA chapters Pilot for New Transfer for Life Program (Idaho, Florida, and Iowa)

Nevada- 5

- Grant money and funding in the positive for CTE and FFA program
- Expanding programs and spreading money out to help them

Utah- 2

- CTE pretty strong, legislation left them alone
- Market themselves in their state
- 5 new chapters have chartered
- 23-26 Students teachers

California- 4

- Linked learning funded by Urbine Foundation, enlightened by no hands on, give Perkins money to teachers to talk about careers, but no action.
- Huge debt and recessions for their state

Montana- 12

- Legislation passed for extra funding
- Workshop will be given this afternoon

Oregon- 5

- Chartered 3 new Chapters in March
- 10 student teachers coming out
- OVATA study endeavor, state wide POS
- Looking for a Foundation Director

Washington- 6

- Fighting cuts in legislation, Blue jackets at the capitol
- 4 chapters, 3 programs, and gained teachers
- Maintaining FFA Executive secretary
- Initiative 424- 24 credits to graduate, not CTE requirements, but the area the student designates

Wyoming- 11

- Increasing programs
- CAERT curriculum
- 3 new programs

COMMITTEE'S: Hugh set-up the committee chairs and asked for reports on Friday

10:30-12:00

Public Policy (Executive Room) - Kevin Fochs (Montana)

Marketing (Trigg Room) - Sue Poland (Idaho)

Finance (Russell Room) - Tim (Oregon)

1:30-3:00

Policy and Bylaws (Trails Inn) - Kari Hansen (Montana)

Professional Growth (Executive Board Room)- Clyde McBride (Arizona)

Member Services (Trigg Room) - Tamara Whitcomb (Washington)

Strategic Planning (Russell Room) – Brock Burch

Discussion on Urbine Foundation proposal that is happening in California and in Washington, DC. Gary Hoklander thinks that CTE courses should be aligned with college prep courses and classes should be taught in a 6 period day, not a 7 or 8 period. He feels that CTE courses should be done in a classroom with no hands-on, just learning and becoming knowledgeable of the course, Link Learning. Could hurt us in the long run, Discussion followed

NAAE:

- **Created a position for the convention/meeting planner was filled by Miranda Shack, which will free up time for Alissa Smith for professional development. The new position will pay for itself, by management fee's that come in for NAAE that will support this position. The association is in sound financial position and doing quite well, as of February \$65,000 up from the market.**
- **Jay spoke on behalf of the 2010-2011 budget**

The meeting was adjourned and will reconvene on Friday at 10:15 am.

FRIDAY:

The meeting was called to order by Region I Vice Chair Hugh Mooney at 8:35 am on Friday the 23rd in the Aronson Room Great Falls, MT

Hugh passed out clock hour forms to the participants- professional development and business meeting professional development.

Discussed the Coin initiative, not very popular in our region area (MT, WY) please support and contact your congress representatives. Jay said that an email will not get it done, encouraged the members to make personal contacts.

Committee Reports:

Finance:

- **New position creations- how they came about? Procedure**

- Could the board clarify the policy on creating and hiring new position
- **Bank of America Program cancelled from corporate, made a recommendation**
 - Bank of America cancelled program, NAAE should remove from goals.

Tim (OR) moved to adopt the committee report

Chair: Tim Ray- OR

Co-Chair: Stacy Dietz- MT

Strategic Planning:

- **Covered three areas of interest to focus on:**
 1. Advocacy
 2. Professional Development
 3. Teacher Recruitment/retention

The committee discussed the above three areas and provided suggestions on how to be more affective.

- **Consider strategic plan objectives**
The committee provided discussion on the objectives

Chair: Brock Burch (WY)

Co-Chair: Heath Hornecker (WY)

Policy By-laws:

- **Specific dues amount in bylaws**
Discussion- failed in committee

Chair: Becky Strite (WA)

Co-chair: Jake Evans (WY)

Public Policy:

- **Contacting Congressional Delegation**
Discussion from Committee (see committee minutes) - passed unanimously
- **NAAE take a more active leadership roll in the direction of all agricultural related organizations working with people in Washington DC, Examples ACTE, state director, the American Farm Bureau Fedaration, to drive support for agricultural education in Washington DC.**
Advocacy
Lobbyist??
 - What do we want to lobby for? Goal
 Discussion from Committee (see committee minutes) - passed unanimously

Chair: Kevin Fochs (MT)

Co-Chair: Steve Braun (ID)

Marketing:

- **Teacher's World at National FFA Convention**
 - Continue but open up to new teachers, more incentives for younger members to keep them and get them involved.
- **Teach AG Campaign**
 - Discussion
- **Membership incentives**
 - Keep using it as a promotional tool
- **Market to Minorities**
- **Marketing to Industry Professionals moving into Ag Education**

NAAE Award Winner:

Lifetime Achievement Award Winner: Glen Miller, AZ

Outstanding Service Award Winner: Allan Sulser, UT

Outstanding Cooperation Award Winner: Taylor Brown, MT

Ideas Unlimited Award Winner: Clyde McBride from Arizona

Chair: Lisa Clement (UT)

Co-Chair: Suzanne Hadfield (UT)

Member Services:

- **Should participation in the communities of practice be considered in evaluating NAAE Award applications for NAAE members?**
 - Change wording
 - Do not limit it
 - Use it as a tool
- **How should state association participation in Communities of Practice be considered in evaluating NAAE Professional State Association Award Applications?**
- **How do we get the states Dues Remitters to turn in money and memberships in, in a timely fashion**
 - Disadvantages of the lack of insurance coverage if not turned in on time
- **Best use of professional development that is provided to the members**
 - more tangible, motivational, and teacher sharing
- **Protocol for hiring at the NAAE**

Chair: Carla Leligdowicz (MT)

Co-Chair: George Simmons (MT)

Professional Growth:

Presented by Clyde McBride (AZ)

- **Integrating academic standards while keeping the integrity of an Agricultural Program with FFA and SAE**
 - Discussion from committee

- **Segregate and use data for student assessment results in CTE and non-CTE**
- Concrete data is important all the way around
- **Communities of Practice**
 - Mixed group on familiarity
 - Good for new teachers
 - Would like to see “Hot Topics Link,” to pop up the new discussions.
 - Should be promoted in ALL state conference, do not feel it is reaching all states
- **Professional Development sessions that we have been to and/or the presenters**
- **Professional Development credit through webinars (immediate PD Certificates at the end of the session)**

Chair: Clyde McBride (AZ)

Co-Chair: Elissa McBride (AZ)

Hugh opened the floor to Ernie Gill to speak to the Region I group and for questions to be asked.

- **Changes on the American Degree form to take place in 2012**
- **Community Service hours on Chapter, State, and American Degree’s**
- **Million Hour Challenge- fill out the form and post them online**
- **Purchasing group jackets- 10 for \$450 (see website)**
- **Issue on FFA and SAE on being integral with Agriculture Education**
 - **Contact state Staff about the letter from Larry Case, about the history and how it is all intra-curricular, a lot of research was done. Share it with your schools administration, advisory boards, and school boards. On letter head from the US Department of Education!!!**

Hugh encouraged states to meet and discuss with the “powers that be,” about issues and protecting agriculture education on the state and national level. College and career ready- what does that mean?

Discussion Followed

A video was shown that was put out by JR Simplot (compliments of the Idaho delegation).

Hugh presented awards: Kari Hansen (MT) and Erica Whitmore (WA)

Door Prizes were drawn

Herd Book Report- Heath Hornecker (WY) and Steve Braun (ID)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 am to attend tours in Great Falls.

Respectfully Submitted: Erica D. Whitmore
NAAE Region I Secretary