April 19, 2012
Region I NAAE
Session I

Session I called to order at 8:36 by Region I V.P. Erica Whitmore (WA).

Region Secretary Heath Hornecker (WY) led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

National NAAE President, Ken Couture (CT), provided a brief reflection.

V.P. Whitmore then directed the group to review the agenda with a couple minor changes.

Brock Burch (WY) gave notice that he planned to move to rescind motion made from Fresno, 2011 last year to move NAAE meeting to TX in the spring of 2013.

**Brock Burch (WY) moved to adopt the agenda and Nate Lowe (ID) seconded.**

*Motion passed to adopt agenda.*

Members were made aware of the minutes in their packet from NAAE fall 2011 meeting in St. Louis.

V.P. Whitmore informed the group about the contents of their packet from NAAE including LOA sheets, finance board committee report, budget, teacher’s world, etc...

Secretary Hornecker gave brief direction in filling out the conference roster sheet.

Minutes were approved from fall 2011 NAAE meeting in St. Louis.

Introductions and state reports were provided from each state.

AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY, all present

AK, HI- Not present

Ernie Gill, National FFA, gave a brief report on Ag Ed in AK

V.P. Whitmore gave a brief report on Ag Ed in HI

Committee reports were assigned. V.P. Whitmore stressed the importance of continuity. If you are a Chair or Vice Chair here at the regional level, it is very important that you attend NAAE National Meeting in Atlanta next fall.

Herdbook committee was established. Secretary Hornecker will provide Herdbook with the cooperation of some assistants.

V.P. Whitmore began a presentation about NAAE and award programs.
Greg Thompson (OR) representing AAAE, teacher educators, reported about AAAE group’s decision to move AAAE to September rather than April 2013. There were several challenging scheduling problems that could not be overcome and a motion was made to separate the conferences during the AAAE session. Many of the teacher educators felt very bad about the split and Greg wanted to know that the opportunity would still be a possible in the future to continue working together.

Kevin Fochs (MT) mentioned that we should keep it in the back of our minds to try and jointly meet with AAAE and NAAE at the western region level to continue.

Ernie Gill mentioned the history of meeting together is very important. He mentioned that Nat FFA doesn’t go to other regional meetings. He goes to western region (Region I) because there are joint sessions with AAAE and NAAE. He advised the groups that he felt it would be a grave mistake to not meet together for more than 1 year and strongly encouraged us to consider meeting together again after next year.

V.P Whitmore continued her presentation about NAAE awards and opportunities.

Ken Couture (CT) gave a brief discussion representing the National NAAE board.

Teach Ag Ed
Dept of Labor laws on child labor
Ag Advocacy list serve forms
AGED Council Summit in Indianapolis, IN
Virtual meeting to save on budget
SAE committee
Looking to establish a standing committee with the council and promote more awareness on council about SAE
CASE
In 2013 each CASE participant will pay and $25 fee to go to council.
teamaged.org
New website

ACTE
Changing registration fees significantly. They are charging $110 more this year than the past. As a board, NAAE compromised on a $40 increase fee. ACTE is changing to a Career Vision 2012 next year.
National FFA Alumni board meeting Bozeman, MT but the NAAE board will meet in Lexington, KY for summer 2012 board meeting.

Some schedule changes at NAAE meeting in Atlanta. Saturday’s delegate session will take place earlier in the morning to allow an earlier conclusion on Saturday. This should allow a better attendance at the delegate session and still allow those members enough travel time to get home on Saturday evening.

Julie Frtisch on NAAE staff returned from maternity leave in January

Budget is in packet. NAAE budget is over $1 million now.

Sue Poland (NV) asked about NAAE view on Hold Harmless in new Perkins. Strongly encouraged NAAE to research and create a position.

DUPONT Agri-science seminar.

Encourage members to attend.

Kevin Fochs (MT) asked if Toyota and Dodge are still sponsoring.

Yes

Kevin Fochs (MT) also asked about the crisis relief fund.

Yes, it is still in budget. Fund is shrinking but still viable.

A question about establishing a flow chart describing all the groups, committees, and boards and how they interact amongst each other.

Damien Christensen (WY) asked about the cohesion between NAAE and ACTE. Expressed frustration about ACTE changing their convention with little input from us and asked why we couldn’t have our own convention.

Ken replied that the advocacy, staff and joint meetings are an important relationship to have and to keep maintained.

**Brock Burch (WY) was recognized. He moved to rescind previously adopted motion from Fresno in spring 2011.** (Dan Jansen (OR) moved to insert TX into order in 2013 and then move all states back a year in the rotation with OR in 2014, HI in 2015, AZ in 2016, ID in 2017 etc. Seconded by Marlene Mensch (OR).) taken from 2011 Fresno Region I minutes **Kevin Fochs (MT) seconded.**

Because previous notice was given, a majority motion is needed.

Discussion: Brock Burch (WY) suggested that with the news of the week about separating AAAE
and NAAE Region I separation, we should go back to our original schedule with OR hosting in 2013

Nick Nelson (OR) mentioned why the motion was made last year. He also said that Oregon could host next year and probably in Pendleton, OR.

Sue Poland asked about available flights. Pasco, Walla Walla, and possibly Pendleton are flying options.

Pendleton could be within driving distance for several of the western states. Many available tours are available.

Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Session I adjourned

Soon following, a joint session of NAAE and AAAE was held.

A discussion was held and chaired by Tamra Whitcomb (WA).

Wayne Gillman (WA) suggested a joint committee be formed to evaluate the feasibility of hosting AAAE and NAAE together in 2014.

**Greg Thompson (OR AAAE) moved to form a joint committee to evaluate the feasibility of hosting AAAE and NAAE together in 2014 to be chaired by Wayne Gillman (WA) and members from each group. Seconded by Kevin Fochs (MT).**

Discussion ensued about the timing. Would this impact 2013? No it was decided. Positives and negatives from each group were briefly discussed.

Motion passed.

Session 2: Region I meeting April 2012, Bellingham, WA

Session II opened at 10:45 on April 20, 2012

Shauna McReynolds from the National FFA Alumni gave a brief welcome and discussion from the National FFA Alumni Association and mentioned the National Alumni Conference July 11 in Bozeman, Mt.

V.P. Whitmore encouraged members to look into Communities of Practice. President Ken Couture followed up with more information.
Committee reports began:

Public Policy:

Pat Dixon (ID) reported.

It was moved to accept Public Policy committee report by Kevin Fochs (MT). Seconded by Tamara Whitcomb (Wa).

Motion passed

Finance:

Gary Parkert (WA) gave the report.

It was moved to accept the Finance committee report by Becky Strite (WA). Seconded by Nate Low (ID). Motion Passed.

Marketing:

Brock Burch (WY) gave the marketing report.

Moved to accept the Marketing committee report by Brock Burch (WY) Seconded by Stacy Dietz Z(MT) seconded. Motion Passed.

Policy and Bylaws:

Carla Lelgidowicz (MT) gave the Policy and Bylaws committee report.

It was moved to accept by Carla Lelgidowicz (MT). Dave Hatten from (WY) Seconded. Motion Passed.

Member Services:

Tamara Whitcomb (WA) gave the Member Services committee report.

Kevin Fochs (MT) asked that it would be nice if NAAE would report on the amount in the disaster relief fund. Gary Parkert (WA) from the finance committee provided a document from the Finance Committee packet that reflected the amount in the fund.
Kevin Fochs (MT) moved to that the relief fund status be provided to Region I members in their packet in the future. Seconded by Mike Morgan (MT). Motion passed.

It was moved to accept the Member Services committee report by Brock Burch (WY). Seconded by John Kohntop (NV). Motion passed.

Strategic Planning:

Sam Heringshaw (OR) gave the Strategic Planning report.

Motion to approve the Strategic Planning report was made by Tamra Whitcomb (WA). Seconded by Becky Strite (WA). Motion Passed.

Professional Growth:

Stacy Dietz (MT) gave the Professional Growth committee report.

It was moved to accept the report by Gary Schaff (MT). Nick Nelson (OR) seconded. Motion passed.

Awards were recognized.

Outstanding Cooperation: Marshall Scott (WA)
Outstanding Service: Jim Barbee (NV)
Lifetime Achievement: James Edward Cooney (NV)
Ideas Unlimited: Trent Van Luven (ID)

Door prizes were awarded.

Nick Nelson (OR) gave a brief report about moving Region I to Oregon Next year. A flyer went out.

Herdbook report was given by Secretary Hornecker (WY) and $57 collected.

Meeting Adjourned.