The Region I meeting came to order in the Grande D Room in the Riviera Convention Center by Region I Vice Chair Hugh Mooney at 10:31 am.

Welcome and an overview of the agenda was given for the meeting today.

Roll was taken: No one was present from Alaska or Hawaii, delegates were present from Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Becky (WA) moved to approve the agenda, 2nd Chris (WA). passed

Region I Secretary, Erica Whitmore read an overview of the minutes from the Region I Meeting in Great Falls, MT April 2010.

Clyde M. (AZ) moved to accept the minutes from the Region I meeting in Great Falls, MT. Margaret (WA) 2nd. Passed unanimously

**Herdbook Nominations:** Heath Hornecker and Kevin Fochs

**Nominations:**
Positions for the regional offices (vice chair and secretary) were nominated by their peers as follows:

Regional Secretary: Heath Hornecker (WY)

Vice Chair: Erica Whitmore (WA), Tim Ray (OR), Justin Heupel (MT)

**LPS Specialist**- Ernie Gill shared information with everyone
Educational opportunity for educators will take place July 10-15th

Alumni Experience to Puerto Rico in April

Team Ag Ed information should be turned in for the Summit soon, the Conference will take place March 2-4, 2011

Hugh stepped out to campaign to the other regions for the president-elect position, he turned the floor over to Erica Whitmore to continue to run the regional meeting:

**NAAE forms were distributed out to the individual delegates and state leaders:**
- Attendance form
- Appreciation information forms
- State Leaders Workshops that will take place at the NAAE conference this year
- Voting Delegate Forms
- Press releases
- State summer conferences

The Workshop facilitator packages were distributed among the states.
Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: Tim Ray
- Relief Fund- Be aware for financial assistance in a crisis or difficult situation (~$8000) see NAAE website for more information or contact a board member
- New policy for hiring at the NAAE, there is an actual process that has been established
- TTTK- limited spots, one per state
  - possibly capping at 50
  - allowing a lottery if there are open spots
  - Dodge the sponsor has had to cut down the funds
- Budget looked good for NAAE, more income than projected, in good standing, made back from losses

Marketing Committee: Lisa C. (AZ)
- National Teach Ag Campaign (website, Facebook, Twitter, Blogger)
  - Online support system
  - Stickers, lesson plans, good information
- Membership incentives
  - State funded issue or national funded issue?
- Pre-Service teacher
  - How to get them on board at the state level
- Minorities- how to we market to the following groups or individuals
  - industry individuals
  - college students that didn’t have Ag or FFA
- Teachers World- need feedback
  - What improvements can be made?
  - How to improve attendance at convention?

Member Services: Tamara Whitcomb (WA)
- Press Releases are coming out before the state associations were able to award them to their state winners, how can we fix this to keep the “surprise” factor?
  - June 15 due date, have a sideline on the form
  - Check box on releasing the date for NAAE or the sponsoring organization
- Motion on the Ag Teacher Creed to change the wording to make it more fitting and to include all types of education, currently reads “in a public school system” would like to include “education community” instead.
- Try to development a New teacher survival kit

Policy and Bylaws: Becky Strite (WA)
- Remove the dollar amount in the bylaws for dues
  (Becky read the statement)
  - shared feedback with the delegates
Professional Growth: Clyde McBride (AZ)
- CoP to do a Bi-Monthly E-Blast
  - to include hot topics or issues that teachers need to see or be aware, also in hopes to pick up more users on CoP to help aid them in their classroom
- Data on why are CTE students are doing better in academic core areas
  - Arizona has been part of this, Clyde shared
- Webinars for Professional Development
  - Webcasts to gain new ideas from the regional winners

Public Policy: Kyle Stapleton (ID)
- Contact information tool kit- legislative contact for your state
- Advocacy ideas (went through 3 different sheets)
  - Broad based- all agriculture education components could be included
  - Whose going to drive the legislation at the national level (lobbyist, NAAE staff, leadership, etc..)
  - Process to make this happen, need more than Grassroots
  - Legislative agenda needs to take place, good information that needs to be stream lined
- Suggestions or modifications to the strategic plan

Strategic Planning: Brock Birch (WY)
- Advocacy plan about legislation, how to communicate what we would like at the state and national level
- What should we be talking to our legislators (having a good idea for students and teachers)
- Section 2 under Professional Development section
The NAAE Region I meeting was reconvened at 9:45 am in the Grande D room in the Riviera Convention Center by Vice Chair Hugh Mooney.

Hugh addressed the region about the strong Professional Development that each member will be getting in Fresno for the Region I meeting and he asked for more suggestions from the delegation:

- CDE Strength Workshops
- High Teach Ag program High Schools
- Tours
- Professional Development

Dwight Armstrong visited our region and spoke on the following topics

- Dues by affiliation
- Applications at the national level, creating a program that is more student based and has more options
- Listening to the Agriculture educators and hoping to make their experience better with FFA
- Dr. Case position???
  - narrowed down scope of the position for Dr. Brown to take over
  - working on it diligent and want the input of members, encouraged members to seek him out during the conference to ask questions.

Ford Motor Company: Dorthy L. from Team Detroit

- Agency for Ford Motor Company
- Sponsorships, Marketing, and FFA
- 1948 FFA and Ford have been partners
  - In 1997 the scholarship program was started
  - $1000 scholarships will be offered through the FFA Scholarship application

New addition:

- 6 specific scholarship- one for each NAAE region
  - You must have at least 3 applicants from your chapter to apply for the National FFA Scholarship to be considered
  - MUST have a form signed by a Ford dealership in your area
- A paper was put in your bag that you received at registration to tell you more about the program

Hugh announced that nominations were closed for Vice President and Secretary and candidate speeches were given (determined by your birthday month). Hugh asked for each candidate to designated a teller: Justin- Heath Hornecker, Tim- Nick, Erica- Becky Strite, and Heath- Brock Birch

The Vice Chair order:
Justin H. (MT) spoke first, Tim Ray (OR) second, and Erica Whitmore (WA)

Secretary:
Heath Hornecker (WY) and Tim Ray (OR)

Region I Vice Chair: Erica Whitmore was elected to serve 2011-2013

Region I Secretary: Heath Hornecker was elected to serve 2011-2013
Committee Reports:

Finance: Tim Ray (OR)
- It was recommended to have 2 representatives for Teacher Turn The Key from each state
- Have back up candidates, cap the number at 50

Marketing: Lisa C. (AZ)
- Agenda
- National Teach Ag service for us

Member Services: Tamara Whitcomb (WA)
- Changing the wording of the NAAE Creed (all schools and home schooled children would be included), it now reads “education community”
- It was recommended that the state Presidents will have to check a yes of no box, so they know whether or not the award result information can be released
- Tamara Whitcomb the new NAAE chairman for the Member Services Committee

Policy and Bylaws: Becky Strite (WA)
- Dues connected to the by-laws, amended to a 30 day reminder for the Dues remitters

Public Policy: Kyle Stapleton (ID)
- Combining motions
- More focused on national legislation to make that process smoother
  - details were shared

Professional Growth: Clyde Mc Bride (AZ)
- The committee recommended that there will be a Bi-monthly email BLAST on hot and most current items to all members from CoP or the NAAE office
- All national winners would be encouraged to create a webinar so they are able to share their good ideas with all NAAE members

Strategic Plan: Brock Birch (WY)
- Add enhancement for academics, STEM issues in our professional development
- Board to create a bulletin for talking points for legislative activity

Hugh had Tamara Whitcomb share some details about the regional conference that will take place in Washington in 2012.
Region I conference 2012- Bellingham, WA
Tamara Whitcomb- WA President-elect
- Tulip fields, Dairy, Aquaculture
- Stay at the Lakeway Inn
- Fly into Bellingham or Seattle
- Encourage everyone to get a Passport or the special driver’s license because some tours might take place in Canada.

Hugh thanked everyone for supporting him and his service to the region and gave a brief outgoing speech.

Herd book Report:
- Heath and Kevin
- The money amount was $26.00
Wayne Gillman moved to take the herd book money and apply it to NAAE scholarship fund.

Door Prizes were given out to the delegates.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica D. Whitmore
Region I Secretary