

Region II Meeting

Rogers, AR

Sunday, June 21, 2015

Meeting called to order at 4:15 pm by James Cannon, Region II Vice President and gave a welcome.

Invocation by Chad Towns, LA and Flag Salute led by Todd Thomas, CO.

James reviewed and asked for adoption of the conference agenda with flexibility.

Motion made by Bill Hunter, KS seconded by David Hayes, AR to adopt agenda with flexibility. Motion passed.

Minutes from the Region II meeting held at the National NAAE Convention in Nashville, TN in December 2014 were presented by Hals Beard, Region II Secretary.

Motion made by Benny Bell, La seconded by Rodney Wiedower, Ar to approve minutes. Motion passed.

James Cannon introduced David Hays, AVATA President. David welcomed everyone to Arkansas and gave an overview of the conference and reviewed the conference agenda.

State presidents were then introduced and members from each state were recognized. All states except New Mexico were represented. There were 61 teachers/guests present at this first meeting.

Committee assignments were made and directions given for each committee. Committees were given directions for committee assignments and reminded to complete an MOU for service on the committee at NAAE. Members were reminded that each region is allowed 2 representatives on each committee and there were some committees that Region II did not have full representation. After meeting adjourned, committees would be given time to meet. The following committee representatives were assigned to lead each committee:

Finance – Steve Davis, AR/Wayne Mouton, LA

Marketing – Todd Thomas, CO

Member Services – Danny Rice, KS/Jerrold Lundry, OK

Policy and Bylaws – Cody Manuel, LA

Professional Growth – Matt Sinclair, CO

Public Policy – Clark Long, OK

Strategic Planning – Brent Ervin, OK

James asked for one representative from each state to judge the Region II Ideas Unlimited presentations to be judged at the conclusion of the session.

James also requested that any additional applications for Outstanding Service Citation, Outstanding Cooperation, and Lifetime Achievement be turned in.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Region II Meeting
Rogers, AR
Tuesday, June 23, 2015

Meeting called to order at 4:45 pm by James Cannon, Region II Vice President.

Invocation by Shane Crafton, TX and Flag Salute led by OK delegation.

NAAE Update by Charlie Sappington, NAAE President:

James introduced Charlie Sappington, NAAE President. Charlie gave greetings from NAAE with a few highlights since meeting in Nashville. Charlie welcomed everyone to Region II and thanked them for their attendance and participation in their professional organization. He reminded members of the new committee structure and that virtual meetings had been held where chairman and secretary were selected with each person receiving full registration to NAAE conference. Charlie informed the group that the NAAE board has decided to NOT have a state social each year in conjunction with the NAAE conference due to the hardship it places on the host state which is usually the same few states. Finally he reminded members that this year's conference would be in New Orleans at the Hilton Riverside New Orleans Hotel on November 17-21 and early bird registration of \$325 will end on July 10. More information can be found on the NAAE website at www.naae.org/convention2015. James thanked Charlie for his advocacy for NAAE and leadership given Region II and NAAE.

James told the group about an NAAE opportunity to participate in a conference call/brainstorming session on July 6 concerning "What resources do you need to teach about becoming a farmer or rancher?" Members were given an opportunity to sign up for participation through the end of the conference.

Hals reminded members to complete attendance form and letters of appreciation form. Committees were reminded to submit the NAAE conference representative form along with a copy of the committee recommendations form provided on the Communities of Practice. Committee chairs were reminded they would need to give a brief report at Wednesday's meeting. Committees were also reminded to provide names of representatives for each committee and that they must complete an MOU.

Discussion and update on Ag Ed relief fund. James reminded members about the purpose of the fund and requested that members donate to the fund and will be given an opportunity to donate during the evening meal/social and the business meeting on Wednesday morning.

Hals Beard introduced all of the 2014 Region II award winners and recognized all of those in attendance.

Outstanding Young Member – Danielle Newsom, LA
Outstanding Ag-Ed Teacher – Lori Burns, OK
Outstanding Middle School/Secondary Ag Ed Program – Elk City, OK
Ideas Unlimited – Cody Weber, CO
Teacher Mentor – Bill Thompson, LA
Outstanding Service Citation – Mike Robison, OK
Outstanding Cooperation – Blue and Gold Sausage, Inc., OK
Lifetime Achievement Award – Gerald Young, TX
Teacher Turn the Key:
Brittney Wright, CO
Jacqueline Gabbert, KS
Kalynn Baldock, NM
Mason Jones, OK

eXcellence in Leadership for Retention(XLR8):

Nathaniel Smith, OK

State Awards:

Professional – AR, CO, LA
Distinguished – KS, OK
Active – TX

James reminded all members of the importance of nominating individuals and/or applying for these awards. Also, the State Awards are due in the NAAE office by September 1 and each state should complete this application.

James then noted that he had only received one Lifetime Achievement Award Application and then requested volunteers from each state to assist with reviewing and approving the application. Since no applications for Outstanding Service Citation or Outstanding Cooperation have been received, and the deadline in not passed for submission to NAAE, James suggested that each state be given the opportunity to submit these awards to him electronically by July 3 and he would contact a teacher from each state to assist with reviewing and selecting the winner. The Lifetime Achievement application would be judged at the conclusion of the session.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Region II Meeting
Rogers, AR
Wednesday, June 24, 2014

Meeting called to order at 8:00 am by James Cannon, Region II Vice President.

Invocation by Steve Davis, AR and Flag Salute led by KS delegation.

State association reports were given by state presidents: AR-David Hays, CO-Todd Thomas, KS-Bob Van Winkle, LA-Benny Bell, NM-none, OK-Travis Bradshaw, TX-Shane Crafton.

Texas delegation gave a brief presentation on the 2015 Region II Conference to be held in College Station with host hotel, dates and more professional development details forthcoming.

Hals announced the 2015 Region II award winners from this year's conference:

- Ideas Unlimited – Cory Wedel, CO
- Outstanding Cooperation – TBA
- Outstanding Service – TBA
- Lifetime Achievement – Mike Robison, OK

Committee reports were given:

- Finance – Steve Davis, AR by Lucas Anderson, AR
- Marketing – Todd Thomas, CO
- Member Services – Jerrod Lundry, OK
- Policy and Bylaws – Cody Manuel, LA
- Professional Growth – Matt Sinclair, CO
- Public Policy – Clark Long, OK
- Strategic Planning – Brent Ervin, OK

James made the following announcements/reminders:

- Upcoming Region II conferences: TX, OK, CO, LA, NM, KS, AR
- Professional State Awards deadline – Sept. 1
- NAAE/ACTE convention – New Orleans, LA @ Hilton New Orleans Riverside – Nov 17-21;
Early bird registration ends July 10(\$325)
- Election of Region II Secretary at NAAE – MOU due Sept 15
- Election of Region II Vice President at NAAE – MOU due Sept 15
- Collection for the Ag Ed Relief Fund during the conference was \$364.

James made his concluding remarks giving a big “thank you” to the Arkansas Ag Teachers Association for a great conference and presented appreciation certificates to key individuals for a great conference.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.