



NAAE Region III



NAAE Region III Minutes

NAAE Region III Conference, June 19-21, 2012

Ankeny, IA

Welcome – Rob Denson DMACC- Des Moines Area Community College President.

Call to Order – The business meeting for Region III was called to order by Region III Vice President Terry Rieckman at 8:10 a.m. at the Iowa Agriculture Enrichment Center in Ankeny, IA, on Wednesday morning, June 20, 2012.

Reflections – Glenda Crook, Regional Secretary provided reflections for the morning.

Review and Adopt Agenda – Jeffrey Mayes, IA moved and Duane Fisher, IA seconded the motion to adopt the agenda with flexibility. Motion passed.

Region III Conference Minutes – 2011 NAAE Region III Conference minutes were presented via Internet and LCD projection. Barry Clough, IA moved and Eric Weuve, IA seconded the motion to accept the minutes as presented from the NAAE Convention. Motion passed.

Region III Convention Overview- Craig McEnany, IA shared a quick review of tour information, addressed flexibility needed at banquet for keynote speaker, and notes about registration materials.

Terry Rieckman went over additional notes for Region III conference participants.

State Presidents all received packets and were asked to complete the required forms and return to Terry.

Terry explained the facilitators for the workshop and handed out the workshop envelopes to the state presidents. Complete the contact information sheet and return to Glenda Crook.

Terry had raffle tickets for sale.

Welcome – The State presidents introduced their attendees at this time. (61 participants in attendance) Iowa, Melanie Bloom, Minnesota, Bill Januszewski, Nebraska, Kurt VanDeWalle, North Dakota Gary Wald, South Dakota, Adam Franken, Wisconsin, David Kruse.

Ken Couture- National Association of Agricultural Education: Ken shared information about NAAE Convention in Atlanta, GA. Early bird registration closes on July 13. Registration increased to \$325 and if you are not a member of ACTE you do not have to pay the \$80 this year. Ken suggested using the paper form to register enclosed in the conference folder. There has been an issue with

the online registration not allowing the Agriculture Educators to get the discounted registration fee. The convention schedule of meetings will follow the same format at last year with committee meetings, regional meeting, committee meeting, and committee meeting. The NAAE board felt it was important for the committee members to bring the discussions back to the regional meetings.

A major change to the NAAE convention will be the end time on Saturday is now set for 10:30 a.m. instead of noon. It was duly noted that participants need to attend that last session to vote and should not book even earlier flights to get home.

Ken informed the participants that Amaris left the staff and Miranda is now employed 75% of the time by the CASE Project. Only 25% of her time is with NAAE.

The Teach Ag Campaign is making a change to the date of the event to late September. Ken attended the Teach Ag Campaign in California and participated in the webinar.

Teacher's World will still be at National FFA Convention for Ag. Teachers to take advantage of if they have some free time.

C.O.P. Communities of Practice has a new look. Ken said, "This is the best thing we have done for our profession."

Child Labor Regulation withdrawal was a sigh of relief for Ag teachers. However, Secretary Vilsack is under pressure from the White House to do something. The collaboration of our organization in addressing this issue was recognized by our staff and they are looking into how we can keep the motion going with other issues in agricultural education.

Summit will take place in Indy January 30-31. It will be a virtual conference. There is no money for travel to Indy, but anyone close can attend in person. Looking into locating a facility that is familiar with virtual conferences to hold the conference.

Dwight Armstrong mentioned Career Academies and wants to do something with ag programs. What do we have in regards to Ag High Schools, charter schools, magnet schools, etc.

Career Pathways Collaboration- Perkins CPAS- lock in with academics cost is \$120,000 for a state to buy into a cluster, there are additional benefits once the state buys in

Common Core- if you are not contributing to teaching students standards in math, reading and writing Ken believes you will no longer exist. Need to help the students meet the standards in the common core in our agriculture curriculum.

CASE Program has an MOU with NAAE The council plays a role in areas concerned with CASE as it and Teach Ag are two of their initiatives.

NAAE at UK-Lexington has a good working relationship and the ability to obtain students for assistants.

Upper division scholarship program- the board will review thousands of applications and select 16 recipients of the scholarships.

Ideas Unlimited: State winners shared their ideas and a representative from each state judged the presentations of ideas using the NAAE rubric.

Minnesota- Natasha Mortenson (unable to attend at Teach Ag in Loveland, CO) Presented by Nick Melbrandt her co-teacher. Teaching to Urban Elementary school students.

Wisconsin – Jim Melby- FFA Emblem Skype

Nebraska – Ann Devorak- Recycled Floral Arrangements

South Dakota – Tara Beitelsbacher- Agricultural Communications

Iowa- Josey - Facebook Small Gas Engines to increase higher levels of thinking skills

Committee Meetings: Participants broke out into committee meetings.

Committee work

Committee	Chair	Vice Chair
Finance	Barry Clough, IA	Todd Marks, SD
Member Services	Adam Franken, SD	Troy Talford, WI
Marketing	Bill Januszewski, MN	Wendy Stachler, ND
Policy/By-Laws	Curt VanDeWalle, NE	Christa Williamson, MN
Professional Growth	Gary Wald, ND	Melanie Bloom, IA
Public Policy	Anissa Wilhem, ND	Jeffrey Mayes, IA
Strategic Planning David Kruse	Paul Zuelke, WI	Sarah Whiting, NE

New Committee Vice Chairs:

Finance – Josh Rusk, WI

Member Services- Stephanie Mann, NE

Marketing – Amy Lutz, IA

Policy/By-Laws – TBA, ND

Professional Growth – Sarah Lambert, SD

Public Policy – SD TBA

Strategic Planning –Natasha Mortenson, MN

Meeting Reconvened on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 8:02 a.m.

Award Selection:

Melanie – Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Program

Bill – Outstanding Young Member

No applicants– Outstanding Post Secondary/Adult Program

Gary – Teacher Mentor

Adam – Outstanding Teacher

Dave – Outstanding Service and Outstanding Cooperation

Kurt – Lifetime Achievement and AgriScience

Committee Reports: See submitted reports

Finance – Barry Clough, IA

Public Policy – Anissa Wilhelm, ND

Strategic Planning – David Kruse, WI

Policy/Bylaws – Kurt VanDeWalle, NE

Marketing – Bill Januszewski, MN

Professional Growth – Gary Wald, ND

Member Services – Adam Franken, SD

Award Winners:

Ideas Unlimited – Jim Melby, WI

Outstanding Service Citation – Brenda Scheil, WI

Lifetime Achievement Award – Duane Fischer, IA

Outstanding Cooperation Award – Bud Johnson, IA

Vice-President Report:

Terry shared the NAAE power point highlighting the opportunities available to members through NAAE.

Kurt Vandewalle of NE stated he had contacted Ellen Thompson and said Teach Ag Day next year will be on Sept. 26, 2013.

Secretary Report:

Glenda Crook shared the NAAE Region III Facebook page.

State Presidents Reports: See reports submitted

State Visits: Terry will attend WI PDC and MN

Region Rotation:

Adam Franken, SD shared a power point about next years Region III Conference in Yankton, SD.

Final Announcements:

Iowa shared final notes and announcements for conference

Motion to adjourn: Craig McEnany, IA moved and Second, Kelly O'Donnell, SD