

# National Association of Agricultural Educators Region IV Conference June 22, 2010

Called to order by Region Vice President Charlie Sappington at 1:00 PM. He offered a greeting to the conference.

Charlie gave information about Gary Leger's passing and funeral arrangements.

Archie Sauerheber led the pledge of allegiance.

Archie presented minutes of the Region meetings from Nashville in November. Mark Wildman of Illinois moved and Ben Helms of Indiana seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Michele Brunson gave a welcome from Ohio and also gave instructions about Wednesday's tours.

Marie Carity from Ohio presented a special award to Michelle for her 12 years of service as Treasurer of the Ohio Association of Agricultural Educators.

**State Reports: The following individuals gave introductions and reports for their respective states:**

- Mark Wildman-Illinois
- Travis Scherer-Indiana
- Mike Ross-Kentucky
- Gerard Reaume-Michigan
- Eugene Meyer-Missouri
- Sue Davis-Ohio

Charlie passed out attendance rosters. He also handed out Agriculture Teacher's Creeds to the first time attendees.

Charlie explained the contents of the folders each conference attendee had already received.

Julie Fritsch from NAAE gave an update on Communities of Practice. She also introduced Maranda Chaplin, the new Director of Conference Planning for the NAAE.

Charlie gave a presentation on the NAAE and its structure and member benefits.

A break was held until 2:35.

## **Committee Meetings:**

The following chairs conducted committee meetings:

Finance-Jamie Cheveny, Ohio  
Marketing-Howard Heavener, Illinois  
Member Services-Ben Helms, Indiana  
Policy and Bylaws-Orville Bennett, Kentucky  
Professional Growth-Heather Obert, Illinois  
Public Policy-Mike Ross, Kentucky  
Strategic Planning-Gerard Reaume, Michigan

Participants were dismissed until dinner after their committee completed its business.

The host state presented instructions for the tours scheduled for Wednesday. Tours included:

Cargill  
Dairy Operation with Environmental Practices

## **Session II Thursday 8:30 a.m.**

Pledge was presented by Greg Curlin

**Reminder:** State Professional Association Award forms will be completed and returned by September 1.

**Membership:** Update on membership was presented by Charlie. Each state was given an update to check numbers and clarify by June 30<sup>th</sup> to the home office.

## **Ideas Unlimited Presentations:**

- Missouri, Diane Collins; Pasta Skeletons
- Indiana, Joey Martin and Leslie Fairchild; Net Generation
- Illinois, Corinne Smith; Floral Done without Expense
- Ohio, Jamie Cheveny; Hydraulic Robot

## **Julie Fritsch; Home Office Update**

- CASE Curriculum Update and grant request
- Alissa Smith Duties and transition for awards and professional development
- DuPont Agri Science Institute Update
- Agri Science Integration institute; Future Teachers with Alissa Smith
- Teachers World will be at the National FFA Convention will be transition with the NAAE involved
- Miranda Chaplin; New Program Event Planner
- 3 Summer Interns which work with the NAAE Convention Details as well as News and Views. One intern is an Advocacy Intern in Washington DC for 8 Weeks

**Committee Reports: (Implied Second for all reports. See reports for motions and recommendations)**

1. Finance Jamie Cheveny (OH)
  - 2011 Chair: Travis Scherer (IN)
2. Marketing Howard Heavener (IL)
  - 2011 Chair: Michelle Brunson (OH)
3. Member Services; Ben Helms (IN)
  - 2011 Chair: Jon Wilson (MO)
4. Policy/Bylaws; Orville Bennett (KY), Presenting, Charli Epperly (MO)
  - 2011 Chair: Cherie Rogier (IL)
5. Professional Growth; Heather Obert (IL)
  - 2011 Chair: Kellie Warner (OH)
6. Public Policy; Morris McClelland
  - 2011 Chair: Michael Ross (KY) and Bob Johnson Vice Chair
7. Strategic Planning; Gerald Reaume (MI)
  - 2011 Chair: Sue Davis (OH) and Margo Bruce Vice Chair (KY)

Mark Wildman (IL) moved and Michael Ross (KY) seconded to accept all committee reports. The motion passed.

**Award Results**

- Ideas Unlimited; Jamie Chenevey (OH)
- Outstanding Service: Pam Profitt (MO)
- Lifetime Achievement; Gary Geswein; (IN)
- Outstanding Young Member: Rebecca Rose (NY)
- Outstanding Teacher: Keith Schiebel (NY)
- Outstanding Program (Middle/HS): Sarabeth Wanbaugh (PA)
- Outstanding Post Secondary Program; No applications
- Mentor Program; Deb Seibert (PA)
- Outstanding Cooperation Greenstone Farm Credit Service (MI)

**National Teach AG Day; Julie Fritsch**

- March 24<sup>th</sup> 2011
- Gave Presentation what schools can do with the program

**Invitation 2011 Indiana in Brown County**

**Date is scheduled for the last week of June pending availability at Brown County State Park. Illinois and Ohio have moved their state conference dates to the third week of June**

**In closing, Charlie presented the Ohio Delegation with a certificate for a job well done.**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. The motion was moved by Missouri, Eugene Meyer and seconded by Kentucky, Orville Bennett.**