NAAE Region IV Meeting
Quality Inn and Suites
Hannibal, Missouri
June 26-28, 2012

Session I:

Region Vice President Charlie Sappington called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Region Secretary Scott Stone lead the Pledge of Allegiance and gave a reflections.

Sappington reviewed the minutes from the NAAE Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. Parker Bane of Illinois moved to accept the minutes as presented. Bobby Schmitt of Kentucky, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jon Wilson, Missouri Vocational Agricultural Teachers’ Association welcomed the delegates to Missouri. Sonja Perry, Missouri FFA Secretary, welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Missouri FFA members. Mike Graham, Missouri Vocational Agriculture President Elect, discussed a raffle that would take place during the conference in order to raise funds for the relief fund.

The following state gave reports about their state associations. Bane from Illinois introduced the 13 delegates present and discussed important information about the state. Scott Johnson from Indiana introduced the 6 delegates and discussed the concerns and joys in the state. Schmitt from Kentucky introduced the 6 delegates and talked about their current situation. Kevin Nutigent from Michigan introduced his 3 delegates and discussed the current changes in his state. Wilson from Missouri introduced the 23 delegates and discussed the changes in Missouri. John Poulson from Ohio introduced his three delegates and asked for input about concerns in his state.

Sappington presented the most current state membership report:

- Illinois 393
- Indiana 270
- Kentucky 217
- Michigan 68
- Missouri 511
- Ohio 219

Sappington announced that we would be judging the Region II applications. He also said that he needs the state’s Outstanding Service/Cooperation and Lifetime Achievement Award applications by today. He asked that each state turn in their state award applications and they should be typed for clarity.
NAAE President, Ken Couture provided information on the following topics:

- NAAE Convention will be in Atlanta and Early Bird registration is open and ends July 13th. The total cost is $325.00.
- There will be fewer workshops this year.
- They hope to end convention by 10:30 a.m. on Saturday.
- There are some staff changes taking place at NAAE.
- The committee work that we are doing is very important.
- March 4th-6th will be the NPS.
- The Teach Ag Campaign will be on going and the Teach Ag Day will be September 26th, 2013.
- CASE is not an NAAE project but instead belongs to the Council. The MOU may change in the near future.
- Community of Practices has been changed and looks different.
- The Child Labor Law Standards did not change but Secretary Vilsack is under increasing pressure to change something.
- Common Core Standards are coming and we need to make sure we are supporting them.
- Please fill out the NAAE applications.
- The Council will hold a virtual summit on January 30-31st, 2013.
- The National FFA is looking at Career Academies.
- There are several states looking at standardized testing both content and skills.

Sappington presented the benefits of NAAE and the importance of filling out all the forms. He also discussed the committee structure and committee assignments.

We recessed into committee work at 2:39.

Session II:

Sappington reconvened the meeting at 8:40 a.m. on June 28, 2012

Stone lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the reflections.

Region IV Ideas Unlimited State winners Amanda Mullins from Indiana and Zach Crews from Missouri presented their teaching ideas.
Sappington gave a NAAE Home Office report. Miranda Chaplain will be going to CASE to work and will be training her replacement.

Graham from MO presented the Finance Committee report. Highlights included: Emily Styles from MI was elected as the vice chair. The NAAE conference should coincide with the ACTE meeting. Keep the faith with the POA. Crews was selected as the Region IV Ideas Unlimited Award winner. Graham moved to accept the report. Motion passed.

Mullins from IN presented the Marketing Committee Report. Highlights included: Darren Farmer from MO was elected as the vice chair. Create as app for NAAE web-site and COP. New Teacher/College program at the NAAE conference. Mullins moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

Nugent from MI presented the Member Service report. Highlights included: Jesse Faber from IL was elected as vice chair. The members should be supplied a breakdown of benefits of the registration costs. Nugent moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

Jennifer Hawkins of MO gave the Policy and By-laws report. Archie Schaeuber was elected as vice chair. There are no recommended additions or corrections. Hawkins moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

Megan Merrill of MI gave the Professional Growth report. Highlights included: Schmitt was elected as vice chair of the committee. There needs to be different division for single and multiple teacher awards. Merrill moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

Bane from IL gave the Public Policy report. Highlights included: Paulson from Ohio was elected as vice chair. NAAE needs to send a list serve message with state advocacy from to all NAAE members. Create position papers and talking points for advocacy. Bane moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

Johnson from IN gave the Strategic Planning committee report. Highlights included: Matt Macintyre from Missouri was elected as vice chair. NAAE should not change the convention name. Publicize the benefits of serving in leadership roles to members. Increase emphasis on recruitment and retention of new teachers. Johnson moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

NAAE draft schedule is on-line. We are need of nominations for Region IV Vice President and Secretary. MOU are due September 15th. Convention will end at 10:30 on Saturday morning. Pictures will be on Friday and not on Wednesday.

The 2013 Region IV Conference will be held on June 25-27th in Battle Creek MI. It will be held at the Firekeepers Casino and Resort.

Stone was presented a certificate of appreciation for managing the conference.

Heather Obert from IL moved to adjourn the meeting. Schmitt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Sincerely,
Scott Stone
Region IV NAAE Secretary