

NAAE Region IV Meeting

Quality Inn and Suites

Atlanta, GA

November 27-December 1, 2012

Session I:

Region Vice President Charlie Sappington called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

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

Sappington reviewed the minutes from the NAAE Conference in Hannibal, Missouri. Michale Graham of MO moved to accept the minutes as presented. Jeff Bash of IL, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Nominations for Region IV Vice President were taken. Michael Graham from MO nominated Scott Stone. Scott Johnson from IN nominated Archie Sauerheber from IN.

Nominations were taken for Regional Secretary. Toni Saso nominated Parker Bane from IL.

Glen Perryman from CEV brought greetings on behalf of CEV.

Charlie Sappington made state leader announcements.

Scott Stone assumed the duties of the Chair for Charlie Sappington.

Charlie Sappington gave his NAAE President elect speech.

Kevin Stacey gave his NAAE President elect speech.

The following state gave reports about their state associations. Heather Obert 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. Wes York from Kentucky introduced the 6 delegates and talked about their current situation and good changes occurring. Megan Merrill from Michigan introduced their 4 delegates and discussed the current changes in the state. Michael Graham from Missouri introduced the 16 delegates and discussed the changes in Missouri and current legislative issues. John Poulson from Ohio introduced his 6 delegates, talked about membership struggles within the state, asked other states to provide input of how to maintain contact with members, and encourage membership.

Stone thanked the group for the dedication they made to come to the conference, the positive actions happening within our region, and to take information back to their states and members.

Stone announced voting delegate total and asked that all state leaders sign in their delegates:

Illinois-8

Indiana-4

Kentucky-5

Michigan-2

Missouri-10

Ohio-4

Committee Reporters:

Finance Committee-Mike Graham, MO. Audit report was voted on and passed. Recommended by the Finance committee to remove the line item of unrealized interest and questioned about why increase of fees paid to investment firm.

Marketing Committee-Darren Farmer, MO. Recruitment items on Communities of Practice and motion passed to send e-mail blast to state leaders about recruitment items. Discussion was had on information about communities of practice still available for non-paying members.

Member Services- Tracey Hoffman, MI. Discussion held to make the award applications more user friendly.

Policy & Bylaws-Archie Sauerheber, IN. Discussion of revitalization of SAE program from a strategic plan initiated by The Council and asked NAAE for suggestions for a standardized plan for SAEs to provide to teachers. Committee held brainstorming activities on the 3 areas of discussion regarding contracts and relation to SAE.

Professional Growth-Megan Merrill, MI. Election of Vice Chair. Discussion of Post-Secondary program awards to include both 2 and 4 year programs. Motion was made and passed on the discussion item.

Public Policy-John Poulson, OH. Advocacy leader forms slow coming in and need a more user friendly way to fill those out. Interest from the NAAE board for Public Policy Committee to provide ideas for professional development workshops at NAAE and Regional meetings. Suggestions included of advocacy and use of NAAE website (advocacy area) and training. Keep in mind about child labor laws and agricultural safety training.

Strategic Planning-Scott Johnson, IN. Draft of new strategic plan streamlined from 10 to 6 goals. Committee reviewed the plan in regards to the goals and strategic areas associated with each goal. New draft of the strategic plan is in a much more user friendly format. Scott Johnson elected as new Vice Chair for NAAE Strategic Planning Committee.

Scott Stone gave an update that a change of committee chair selection is being considered to change chair from a 1 year term to a 3 year term.

Sappington gave an announcement to Professional Development facilitators if they have issues and to turn back in packets.

Archie Sauerheber, IN presented his candidate speech for NAAE Region IV Vice President elect.

Scott Stone, MO presented his candidate speech for the NAAE Region IV Vice President elect.

Charlie Sappington reminded all voting delegates to seek both candidates and ask them additional questions before voting on Friday.

Sappington called meeting adjourned until Friday.

Sappington reconvened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Reporters:

Finance Committee-Mike Graham, MO. Audit report was voted on and passed. Recommended by the Finance committee to remove the line item of unrealized interest and questioned about why increase of fees paid to investment firm. Move to elect 3 year committee chairs. Motion to have a different company do the audit every few years.

Marketing Committee-Amanda Mullins, IN. Recruitment items on Communities of Practice and motion passed to send e-mail blast to state leaders about recruitment items. Discussion was had on information about Communities Of Practice still available for non-paying members. The committee sought information about 100% state associations. There was a motion to have NAAE to make the roster submission easier.

Member Services- Kevin Nugent, MI. Discussion held to make the award applications more user friendly. Motion to have a fillable document that could be saved. Motion to have a foldable card listing the member benefits.

Policy & Bylaws-Archie Sauerheber, IN. Discussion of revitalization of SAE program from a strategic plan initiated by The Council and asked NAAE for suggestions for a standardized plan for SAEs to provide to teachers. Committee held brainstorming activities on the 3 areas of discussion regarding contracts and relation to SAE. Motion to have SAE's as part of teacher contracts, tied into state and national activities, mandatory SAE's presentations by each student, and NAAE should push for a National Quality Program Standards based on SAE's. Better definition of out of the classroom and better documentation with a power point presentation. Foster a better understanding of the three circle model of agricultural education. Teacher prep needs to have a spate section on SAEs.

Professional Growth-Megan Merrill, MI. Election of Vice Chair. Discussion of Post-Secondary program awards to include both 2 and 4 year programs. Motion was made and passed on the discussion item. Motion was reconsidered and failed. Motion was made to encourage NAAE to have an affiliate package for students. To have post secondary membership option.

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and use of NAAE website (advocacy area) and training. Keep in mind about child labor laws and agricultural safety training. That members walk out with hands on advocacy training pieces at Regional and National meetings.

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National FFA remarks were presented by Larry Gossen. The National FFA had a successful convention with record attendance. 2013 Convention is in Louisville the week of Halloween. The down town session will be concert. Ag Career network, encouraging all collegiate members to get on Ag Career Network. They can get a 5 year free FFA Alumni membership. National Ag Ed summit if Jan. 30 and 31st. The topic will be addressing teacher shortage. You can watch the summit on I-High website. SAE renewal is put together by the Council and they feel that this is the weakest circle. 31 states have offered affiliate membership in the FFA.

Voting was done for Regional Vice President. Michael Graham, Scott Johnson, and Heather Obert were selected a tellers for the election.

State pictures were taken.

Ballots will be handed out tomorrow before the session starts for President Elect. Each state needs to hold up their delegates when their state is called.

Region IV Awards were presented. Illinois was presented with Distinguished award. Missouri was presented with a Distinguished award. Michigan was presented with and Active award. Kentucky was presented with a Distinguished award. Indiana was presented with a Distinguished award. Ohio was presented with an Active award. Largest State Association in NAAE was presented to MO.

Individual NAAE award winners were recognized.

Megan Merril, of MI, presented information about the 2013 NAAE Region IV conference. The dates will be June 25-27, 2013 in Battle Creek, MI. There will be two tracks of tours. Please check the website www.teacheranr.com/2013conference.html.

Election results were presented. Scott Stone was elected as the Region IV Vice President. John Poulson of OH and Orville Bennett of KY seconded the motion to close nominations and elect Parker Bane of IL as Region IV Secretary.

Heather Obert moved to commend Charlie Sappington for all his hard work and work on behalf of the Region IV.

Bobby Schmitt, of Ky and Jesse Faber, of Il seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Stone

Region IV Secretary.