

**NAAE Region IV Meeting
November 18 and 20, 2009
Cheekwood A and B, Gaylord Opryland
Hotel
Nashville, Tennessee**

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Greg Curlin at 10:30 AM.

Blake Hackman of Indiana gave reflections and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

State Pictures were conducted by the NAAE staff.

State reports and introductions were given.

Delegates from each state were certified as follows:

Indiana-5 delegates
Kentucky -5 delegates
Michigan-3 delegates
Missouri-10 delegates
Ohio-5 delegates
Illinois-8 delegates

Nominations were opened for Regional Vice President and Secretary

Charlie Sappington of Illinois was nominated by Mark Wildman of Illinois for Vice President. Heather Obert of Illinois seconded.

Archie Sauerheber of Indiana was nominated for Regional Secretary by Ben Helms of Indiana. Margo Bruce of Kentucky seconded.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee-Report given by Jamie Chenevey of Ohio.

- It should be a priority to show appreciation to sponsors
- The AgEd relief fund was discussed
- Approved the multi-year budget for NAAE
- Received a report outlining the restructuring of the National FFA Foundation

Marketing Committee-Report given by Howard Heavner of Illinois

- There is a new website to promote the Teach AgEd initiative
- Discussion was held regarding the benefits of state versus national membership
- There was discussion on the challenges of getting new teachers to join the professional organization

Member Services-Report given by Ben Helms of Indiana

- There was discussion on the passing out of flash drives with information included on them to the membership
- Webinars could be used to recruit new teachers
- Communities of Practice promotion at National FFA Convention was discussed
- Incentives for membership were discussed, discounts could be given to members on the internet
- Ideas Unlimited material could be posted on the NAAE Website
- Applications could be put on the internet for easier filing

Policy and Bylaws-Report given by LeAnn Daugherty of Kentucky

- Possible change to direct active membership dues
- Possible removal of exact dollar amount for dues from the constitution
- Memorandums of understanding for NAAE officers should contain the number of days that the officer would be out of school-this is already in effect

Public Policy-Report given by Morris McClelland of Illinois

- A strategy has been developed for the Public Policy Program
- Ideas were collected about how to get state legislatures “on board” for agricultural education

Strategic Planning-Report given by Gerard Reaume of Michigan

- Strategies for recruiting teachers were shared
- We should add a strategy to recruit professionals from the agriculture industry.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 AM.

Friday, November 20, 2009

Called to order by Greg Curlin at 9:45 AM.

Greg offered reflections.

Archie Sauerheber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Diana Amera brought greetings from the National FFA Alumni. She spoke about the perception of agricultural education and FFA at the US Department of Education.

Greg gave remarks as NAAE President Elect.

Candidate speeches were given. Nominations for for Region IV VP were closed. Mark Wildman from Illinois moved. Ben Helms from Indiana seconded.

Charlie Sappington brought comments as the Region IV Vice President candidate.

Morris McClelland from Illinois moved and it was seconded to accept Charlie as the Region IV Vice President.

Greg gave comments as retiring Region IV Vice President and recognized the Switzerland County Community Schools for their support during his term of office.

Travis Scherer moved and Ben Helms seconded to appoint the Region IV Secretary. Cherie Hofmann moved and Ben Helms seconded to close nominations. Archie Sauerheber was accepted as Region IV Secretary for 2009-2010.

Region IV Awards were announced:

Outstanding Young Member-Tim McDermott, Illinois
Outstanding AgEd Teacher-Tim Larrick, Missouri
Outstanding AgEd Program-Ravenna High School, Michigan
Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult AgEd Program-Eastbrook Young Farmers/Adult Education, Indiana
Ideas Unlimited-James McCormack, Missouri
Teacher Mentor-Scott Stone, Missouri
Outstanding Service Citation-Robert Juncker, Indiana
Outstanding Cooperation-George Clark, State Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation, Missouri
Lifetime Achievement Award-Charles Arenmeier, Michigan
Teacher Turn the Key
Illinois-Jean Bond and Donna Page
Indiana-Joe Martin
Kentucky-Jarrold Hankins
Michigan-Erin Bosch and Matthew Jakubik
Missouri-Joey Blackburn and Marie Davis
Ohio-Mike Derringer

Larry Gossen from National FFA brought an update on Local Program Success and other National FFA programs.

Finance Committee. Report by Jamie Chenevey. The committee endorsed letter of support formerly read by Greg Curlin.

Howard Heavner reported on Marketing. COP was discussed. An award for COP use was discussed. A survey was discussed about universities using COP. Discussion was held about unified and non-unified dues packages in different states.

Member Services-Ben Helms Member liability insurance was discussed. The problem of states being slow to turn in dues and make members eligible for the insurance was pointed out. Webinars and COP were discussed.

Policy and Bylaws-LeAnn Daugherty structure and process for paying dues was reviewed.

Professional Growth-Heather Obert The application for TTK was discussed

Public Policy-Morris McClelland reported on several items that were discussed in the committee.

Strategic Planning-Gerard Reaume some language was added to the strategic plan.

The Ohio delegation brought an invitation to the Region IV Summer Conference June 22-24 in Sidney, Ohio.

Sally Shomo NAAE President, gave remarks.

Region awards were given. Professional State Associations.

Greg outlined took care of Region routine business items.

Greg handed the gavel over to Charlie Sappington.

Charlie formally thanked Greg for his years of service.

Mark Wildman moved to commend Greg Curlin for his service. Ben Helms seconded.

John Wilson moved and Mark Steber seconded to adjourn. Motion passed.