

# National Association of Agricultural Educators Region IV Meeting Riviera Hotel, Capri 101

Meeting called to order at 10:30 by Regional Vice President Charlie Sappington.

Archie Sauerheber, Regional Secretary, gave reflections, pledge, and invocation.

Charlie reviewed the agenda for the day and the items that each state president needed to provide during this conference.

Charlie outlined the professional development workshops available.

The minutes of the region IV Conference in June were reviewed. Mark Wildman from Illinois made a motion to approve the minutes, Bob Johnson from Michigan seconded. Motion passed.

State pictures were taken.

NAAE forms were distributed to all states and attendees as needed.

Charlie gave directions for workshop facilitators.

Introduction of State Delegations and State Reports:

Howard Heavner-Illinois  
Travis Scherer-Indiana  
Kentucky-Kelvin Howard  
Michigan-Robert Johnson  
Missouri-Scott Stone  
Ohio-Sue Davis

Ken Couture, NAAE President-elect candidate brought greetings and comments.

Larry Gossen, FFA LPS Representative brought an update.

Hugh Mooney, NAAE President-Elect Candidate brought greetings and comments.

## Committee Reports:

**Finance Committee:** Jamie Cheveny NAAE Documents were reviewed and approved. Suggestions for the 2012 budget will be taken in the meeting on Thursday. The AgEd relief fund was discussed and promoted. The use of extra money in the Teacher Turn the Key program was discussed.

**Marketing:** Howard Heavner Communities of Practice and the Teach Ag Campaign were discussed. The strategic plan for the marketing committee was reviewed.

**Member Services:** Ben Helms A motion was made that there be a release date put on NAAE forms to regulate when information from those forms is to be made public. A motion has been made to strike “public school system” and insert “educational community” in the Agriculture Teacher’s Creed. The formulation of a Teacher Survival Kit was discussed.

**Policy and Bylaws:** Tim McDermott An amendment was proposed to remove the dollar amount of NAAE dues from the bylaws of the organization.

**Professional Growth:** Heather Obert Web blasts from Communities of Practice we may receive a blast about the top five threads on COP. Professional development regarding COP was discussed. Comparing data about the performance of CTE students and other students was discussed. Expansion of webinars was discussed and tying them to NAAE convention was discussed.

**Public Policy:** Mike Ross Advocacy use of the NAAE Tool Kit by members was discussed. Names were collected for National Policy Seminar representatives.

**Strategic Planning:** Sue Davis The NAAE Strategic plan was reviewed. Partnerships and legislation were discussed.

Raffle tickets were sold.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM.

Region IV Meeting Session II Capri 101

Meeting called to order at 9:45 by Charlie Sappington.

Dwight Armstrong, National FFA, brought greetings and comments.

Charlie called for committee reports:

Finance-Travis Scherer Recommended that there be two seats each state for Teacher Turn the Key and that states that send representatives be able to use the seats that are not used by other states.

Marketing-Howard Heavner Sponsorships must be found to fund incentives to join NAAE. COP and Teacher's world at FFA

Member Services-Ben Helms Additon to press releases for award winners to add a line on press releases to indicate when it should be released. Voted to change the ag teacher's creed.

Policy and By-laws-Tim McDermott two month notice will be given for proposed dues changes.

Professional Growth-Heather Obert An email blast should be sent to educate members about Communities of Practice. Recommended that all award members be asked to put their award winning ideas on COP.

Public Policy-Bob Johnson Identified a contact person for each state so that the committee can communicate more fully. Each state should review advocacy tools on the website. These need to be utilized more. The definition of agricultural education in each state must be monitored. Maintaining Larry Cases position is a priority.

Strategic Planning-Sue Davis Recommend a suggestion to board of directors to develop a list of important issues for advocacy. Recommend that a complimentary copy of the AgEd magazine be sent to everyone to renew interest. We should expand our recruitment efforts at post secondary institutions, especially two year colleges.

Charlie listed all the documents that need to be filled out for our region.

Charlie polled the states to see which states have an online membership systems and outlined plans to collect dues.

State awards were handed out.

Region awards where reviewed.

Archie Sauerheber was nominated and confirmed as Regional Secretary.

Indiana gave the invitation to the Regional Conference in Brown County Indiana, June 28-June 30, 2011.

Charlie recognized the Teacher Turn the Key Recipients.

A representative of Ford Motor company spoke about the Built Ford Tough FFA Scholarship program. There will be six \$3,000 grants given to schools who have at least three seniors sign up for the scholarship program. One grant per NAAE Region.

Bobby Smith of Kentucky moved and Heather Obert of Illinois seconded to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM