

Region IV Minutes
Conference Room 1 & 2, Holiday Inn, Bowling Green, KY
Session I: June 23, 2008

The meeting was called to order 1:07 PM by Region IV Vice President, Greg Curlin.

The Pledge of Allegiance and reflections were led by Archie Sauerheber, Region IV Secretary.

Representatives from Hill's Science Diet presented a power point to prepare conference attendees for the tour of their facility on Thursday, June 24.

Writtne minutes were presented by Mr. Curlin. Ben Helms moved to accept the minutes, Gigi Neal seconded. Motion passed.

Greg gave agenda information about the 2008 Regional Conference

Leann Daugherty presented pertinent information about this years conference from the Kentucky Delegation. Individuals who have worked hard on the conference were thanked. Information is also found in a handout given at this point.

She also introduced the KY delegation.

Dr. David Coffey from Western Kentucky University spoke about the tours we will see at the conference

- Baker Arboretum
- Downing Museum
- Warren Central High School
- WKU Ag Expo Center
- Corvette Museum
- Corvette Plant
- Chaney's Dairy Farm
- Hill's Pet Food
- Jackson's Orchard

State Introductions and Reports:

- Illinois-Charlie Sappington
- Indiana-Ben Helms
- Kentucky-Leann Daugherty
- Michigan-Ken Bollinger
- Missouri-Dean Swafford
- Ohio-Gigi Neal

Greg gave an overview of the upcoming national conference in December at Charlotte, NC.

Greg exhibited and explained all parts of the packet for this Regional Conference.

Committee Meetings-All Chairs/Secretaries should take good notes so that it is easy for the NAAE Board can have a full understanding of the motion.

Break

Mr. Curlin passed out membership lists as of 4/29 for review by each state leader.

Directions to Baker Arboretum were given.

Committee Meetings were convened. Members were allowed to leave as their individual committee meetings reached closure.

Session II: June 25, 2008

Called to order at 8:05 by Mr. Greg Curlin.

Instructions for individual state meeting times were given by Mr. Curlin.

State meetings were held for 30 minutes in order to complete Professional State Applications and state leadership rosters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Archie Sauerheber.

Presentations of the Ideas Unlimited Awards were given:

- Pixie Stick Semen (Artificial Insemination) by Mark Lemmon, Missouri
- LeAnn Daugherty spoke about an absent member from Kentucky's Crayfish Project
- Kyle Fiebig presented for Illinois presented an absent member's Poultry Unit based on hatching eggs with elementary students

Alissa Smith reported on NAAE Activities:

- finishing up Regional conferences
- National Board Meeting in July
- Applications will be scored July 21
- NAAE webinars are being conducted and are a great opportunity to get professional development from a remote site
- NAAE Convention will be held in Charlotte, NC December 2-6, 2008.
 - Blake Hotel
 - Overflow rooms available in adjacent hotel
 - Early Bird registration due July 1
- Communities of Practice
 - Alissa explained all the useful features of the COP pages

She also explained the posting and communication systems that are used
Questions from members present about COP from the members in
attendance

Committee Reports

Strategic Planning

1. POA was reviewed

Marketing Margo Bruce, KY

1. Motion made that a Teacher recruitment website be created. Passed
2. Recruitment videos are needed. No motion
3. Motion made to create a scholarship to help preservice teachers attend Regional NAAE Conference. Passed
4. Motion was made to produce items to promote NAAE to young and preservice teachers. Passed
5. Motion was made that NAAE needs to create a marketing program and informational materials to recruit new teachers.

Member Services Mark Wildman, IL

1. Discussion about what to do with the money saved by not printing NAAE Diaries-financial help with conferences
2. Discussion about not giving plaques and using the money to assist in getting to conferences
3. Program needs to be developed to encourage 5-10 year teachers to stay in the profession.
4. Produce flash drives instead of pocket diaries
5. Promotion for communities of practices are needed.
6. Application due dates may need to be readjusted
7. Webinars were discussed and are a great service to our members
8. Identity theft protection program for NAAE members was discussed

Policy and Bylaws Leann Daugherty, KY

No items discussed

Professional Growth Gigi Neal, Ohio

1. Communities of Practice needs to be more advertised
2. Healthy lifestyles-possible screenings at the NAAE conference
3. Retention at state level-COP Community for retention of seasoned teacher
4. NAAE to provide a workshop on etiquette and ethics
 - a. Technology ethics also discussed
5. Workshop in engaging diverse students and encouraging them to become agricultural educators

Public Policy Morris McCollough, IL

1. Strike curriculum and insert advocacy in the state guide

2. Provide student teachers with interactive legislative scenarios
3. Provide more financial support to encourage agriculture teachers to attend NPS

Finance Eugene Meyer MO

1. Reviewed Board reports from February
2. Possible impact of higher travel expenses on future conference attendance
3. NAAE may want to budget an amount to help offset travel expenses to events such as NPS and Teachers Turn the Key

Cherie Hofmann moved to accept all committee reports, Gigi Neal seconded.
Motion passed.

15 Minute Break

Team AgEd Report Ernie Gill

- Initiating programs to alleviate teacher burnout
- \$1,000 Local Program Success grants available
- National FFA Supply Service-quality control is improved
- FFA Jacket price increasing to \$45.00
- Team AgEd Learning Center resources on many topics in Agriculture and Leadership
- FFA Scholarships \$2.1 Million awarded this year, now fully on line.
- AgriEntrepreneur Program-low participation, but highest reward of any program at National FFA
- New Proficiency Awards
 - Vet Science
 - Ag Mech Equipment and Repair
- SAE Grants are available
- National FFA Convention Registration has been increased
 - Advisor's Planning Guide is now online
 - Teacher workshops will be available
 - Site of next FFA Convention contract will be announced after this years convention
- National FFA Dues increase to \$7.00 per person
 - Affiliation fee is being discussed, pilot states will be selected
- Communities of Practice-everyone needs to participate and post resources to the site
- Revision of National Awards and Recognition Program-new applications out by 2012, in response to several task forces
- National AgEd Inservice changes will be made as The Council takes over for FFA in coordinating this event, FFA is providing a voucher system to help with the cost of this inservice, FFA will no longer be handling as much of the registration and housing workload as they have in the past
- 10X15 Initiative

-8 initiatives were outlined

2009 Regional Conference Invitation, Illinois Delegation

-Rend Lake Resort

-Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday format

-June 23-25

Awards Results-

Ideas Unlimited Results were given-Mark Lemmon, winner

Lifetime Achievement Results-Jack Simmerman, Indiana

Outstanding Service and Cooperation-Missouri, Charles Kruse

Outstanding Postsecondary-Fox Valley Technical School, Wisconsin

Teacher Mentor-Ed Mueller South Dakota

Outstanding Young Member-Rick Hennifeld, Wisconsin

Region III Outstanding Program-Keith Gundlach, Randolph High School

Wisconsin

Grant Winner-South Dakota

Outstanding Teacher-Lisa Konkel, Wisconsin

The Kentucky Delegation was thanked, special thanks to Dr. David Coffey.

Door Prizes

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.