

Minutes
NAAE Board of Directors Conference Call
January 14, 2015

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a board conference call meeting on January 14, 2015. Board members in attendance included: Charlie Sappington (IL), President; Nick Nelson (OR), Region I Vice President; Glenda Crook (WI), Region III Vice President; Scott Stone (MO), Region IV Vice President; Jason Kemp (TN), Region V Vice President; and Krista Pontius (PA), Region VI Vice President; and Wm. Jay Jackman (KY), NAAE Executive Director. NAAE staff members Alissa Smith, Julie Fritsch, and Katie Wood were also present. Joining the first portion of the meeting were NAAE committee leaders: Kyle Hearn (FL), Strategic Planning; Melanie Bloom (IA), Professional Growth; Stanley Scurlock (FL), Policy and Bylaws; Deanna Thies (MO), Policy and Bylaws; Joshua Rusk (IN), Finance; and Troy Talford (WI), Member Services.

The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

1. **Call to Order**—President Charlie Sappington called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Discussion of New Committee Guidelines**—Jay Jackman led the group of board members and committee chairs through the new committee guidelines.

After the committee guidelines discussion, the committee leaders were excused from the meeting.

3. **Teachers Turn the Key Program Revision**—Krista Pontius moved, Scott Stone seconded, to allow state agricultural education associations one eligible Teachers Turn the Key recipient per state beginning in 2015; the motion carried. Rationale for this decision is based on the fact that 50 participants are too many for effective group dynamics in the cohort, not being able to accept every state's second applicant is frustrating for those not accepted, and the cost of having 50 participants exceeds the amount of funding provided by the program sponsor.
4. **2015 Awards Application and Evaluation Process**—Alissa Smith discussed the process for submitting awards applications and the process for evaluating those applications.
5. **2015 ACTE National Policy Seminar**—Jay Jackman announced that the hotel contract for the board meeting and extra rooms for the NAAE members who will attend the NPS has been finalized as of today. Katie Wood will be sending out final details regarding the agricultural education strand of the NPS very soon.
6. **Adjournment**—With no further official business to be transacted Charlie Sappington adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.