

Minutes
NAAE Board of Directors Conference Call
April 12, 2006

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a conference call on April 12, 2006. Members of the board who were present for the conference call included: Allan Sulser (UT), President; Lee James (MS), President Elect; Kevin Fochs (MT), Region I Vice President; Tom Hofmann (NE), Region III Vice President; Harold Eckler (MO), Region IV Vice President; Ray Nash (MS), Region V Vice President; Sally Shomo (VA), Region VI Vice President; and Dr. Wm. Jay Jackman (KY), NAAE Executive Director.

The minutes of the conference call are as follows:

- 1. Call to Order** – President Allan Sulser called the conference call to order at 3:15 p.m.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of February 1, 2, and 4, 2006** – After one correction was suggested, Lee James moved, Harold Eckler seconded, to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2, and 4, 2006 NAAE Board Meeting. The motion carried.
- 3. February 2006 Board Committee Reports** – Two corrections were suggested to the board committee reports from February 2006. The reports are now ready for distribution.
- 4. Approval of 2006-07 NAAE Budget** – Harold Eckler moved, Sally Shomo seconded, to adopt the 2006-07 NAAE Budget as presented. The motion carried.
- 5. NAAE Agricultural Educator Relief Fund Discussion** – Jay Jackman discussed a conversation he had with Felix Landry regarding the Relief Fund application. Jay Jackman distributed via e-mail a revised application and suggested that the newly revised application replace the original one. By consensus, the board agreed.
- 6. NAAE Website and HTML-based E-mail Discussion** – The board discussed the progress being made on the front page of the NAAE website and the addition of HTML-based e-mail messages being distributed to NAAE members. The board commended staff on these improvements.
- 7. NAAE Staffing Issues** – Jay Jackman reported that Samantha Alvis' last day with NAAE will be May 2, 2006. The position description for the associate executive director position has been distributed nationally via the U.S. Ag Ed Listserv and the AAEE Listserv. The newly hired part-time NAAE staff associate, Linda Berry, will begin on April 17, 2006.
- 8. NAAE Award Application Scoring Rubrics** – Ray Nash inquired as to the development of scoring rubrics for the NAAE awards applications. These rubrics will be ready for the 2006 NAAE regional conferences.
- 9. Adjournment** – With no further business to be transacted during this conference call, President Allan Sulser adjourned the call at 3:45 p.m.