

Minutes
NAAE Board of Directors Meeting
July 20, 21, and 22, 2006

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a board meeting on July 20, 21, and 22, 2006 at the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) office in Alexandria, Virginia. Members of the board and others who were present for the meeting included: Allan Sulser (UT), President; Lee James (MS), President Elect; Kevin Fochs (MT), Region I Vice President; Dr. Bill Hunter (KS), Region II 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; Dr. Wm. Jay Jackman (KY), NAAE Executive Director; Alissa Smith (KY), NAAE Associate Executive Director; Lindsay Pennington (KY), NAAE Summer Intern; Holly Schindler (AZ), NAAE Summer Intern; and Franklin Davis (SC), NAAE Summer Intern. Dr. Larry D. Case, U. S. Department of Education, and Keri Haars, ACTE Advocacy Manager, attended portions of the meeting. The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

Thursday, July 20, 2006

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome**—President Allan Sulser called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 20, 2006 and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Reflections and Pledge to the American Flag**—Lee James presented reflections and led the board in the Pledge to the American Flag.
- 3. Introductions**—Allan Sulser asked everyone to introduce themselves. Allan especially welcomed the new NAAE associate executive director and the NAAE summer interns.
- 4. Adjustments to and Approval of the Agenda**—Harold Eckler moved, Bill Hunter seconded, to approve the board meeting agenda with flexibility to change as necessary. The motion carried.
- 5. Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2006 Board Conference Call**—Harold Eckler moved, Lee James seconded, to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2006 Board Conference Call. The motion carried.
- 6. Board Reports**—Each board member presented a brief report of their NAAE-related activities since the February 2006 board meeting.
- 7. Executive Director Report**—Jay Jackman reported on recent activity with filling the NAAE communications/marketing coordinator position, communities of practice, possibilities for on-line professional development for NAAE members, the progress with the NAAE Agricultural Educators Relief Fund, and prepared the board members for their upcoming Capitol Hill visits.

8. **Associate Executive Director Report**—Alissa Smith presented a report to the board members regarding her first month as the NAAE associate executive director.

9. **Finance Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Finance Committee Meeting, with Harold Eckler as chair. Justin Kliewer from Oklahoma, the 2006 full committee chair, was not available to join by conference call. Jay Jackman presented a current NAAE financial report during the committee meeting. (Refer to the Finance Committee report for details of actions taken.)
10. **Public Policy Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Public Policy Committee Meeting, with Tom Hofmann as chair. Bill Waldrep from Georgia, the 2006 full committee chair, was not available to join the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Public Policy Committee report for details of actions taken.)

Allan Sulser recessed the board meeting for lunch and the Capitol Hills visits at 12:00 Noon.

Friday, July 21, 2006

1. **Call to Order and Welcome**—President Allan Sulser called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. on Friday, July 21, 2006.
2. **Marketing Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Marketing Committee Meeting, with Sally Shomo as chair. Andy Seibel from Virginia, the 2006 full committee chair, joined the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Marketing Committee report for details of actions taken.)
3. **Professional Growth Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Professional Growth Committee Meeting, with Kevin Fochs as chair. Micah Bristow from Missouri, the 2006 full committee chair, joined the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Professional Growth Committee report for details of actions taken.)
4. **Member Services Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Member Services Committee Meeting, with Ray Nash as chair. Kevin Kremer from Ohio, the 2006 full committee chair, was not available to join the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Member Services Committee report for details of actions taken.)
5. **Policy and Bylaws Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Policy and Bylaws Committee Meeting, with Bill Hunter as chair. Cherie Hoffman from Indiana, the 2006 full committee chair, was not available to join the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Policy and Bylaws Committee report for details of actions taken.)

Allan Sulser recessed the board meeting for lunch at 12:25 p.m. Allan reconvened the NAAE board meeting at 1:45 p.m.

6. **Comments from Dr. Larry Case**—Dr. Larry Case, U. S. Department of Education, joined the board and presented brief comments.
7. **Strategic Planning Committee Meeting**—The board as a whole conducted the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting, with Lee James as chair. Ann Ronning from Montana, the

2006 full committee chair, was unavailable to join the committee meeting by conference call. (Refer to the Strategic Planning Committee report for details of actions taken.)

8. **Board Appointments**—The board agreed to seek nominations for the National FFA Career Development Events Advisory Committee and the National FFA Board of Directors position from NAAE Region IV. Letters of interest and resumes are to be brought to the pre-convention NAAE board meeting in Atlanta. The NAAE board appointed Sally Shomo as NAAE’s representative to the NYFEA board for the term beginning in January 2006 and ending in December 2007.
9. **NAAE Summer Advocacy Intern Report**—The 2006 Advocacy Intern, Franklin Davis, presented a report on his activities in Washington, DC on behalf of NAAE.
10. **Upper Division Scholarship Approvals**—Lee James moved, Kevin Fochs seconded, to award upper division scholarships to the 15 applicants with the highest rankings from the board’s evaluation. The motion carried.
11. **Comments from ACTE Advocacy Manager**—Keri Haars presented an update on CTE advocacy, including the long anticipated reauthorization of the Perkins legislation.
12. **NAAE Convention Professional Development Workshops**—The NAAE board discussed the professional development workshop proposals that were submitted following our request for workshop presentation proposals. The board authorized staff to make all arrangements for the professional development workshops.
13. **National FFA Convention Discussion**—The board discussed plans for the 2006 National FFA Convention. Jay Jackman distributed reservation forms for the NAAE board hotel sleeping room block. NAAE representatives as national finals judges will be Sally Shomo, creed speaking, Ray Nash, prepared public speaking, and Kevin Fochs, extemporaneous public speaking.

Allan Sulser recessed the board meeting for the day at 4:15 p.m. to allow time for board members to prepare committee reports.

Saturday, July 22, 2006

1. **Call to Order and Welcome**—President Allan Sulser called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. on Saturday, July 22, 2006.
2. **Award Approvals**—Lee James moved, Sally Shomo seconded, to approve all eligible award recipients as presented and qualified additions as they arrive at the NAAE office. The motion carried.
3. **NAAE Convention Discussion**—The board discussed and approved the schedule for the upcoming 2006 NAAE Convention in Atlanta.

4. **Committee Reports—**

- a. **Finance Committee**—Harold Eckler presented the Finance committee report and then moved, Ray Nash seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - b. **Marketing Committee**— Sally Shomo presented the Marketing committee report and then moved, Kevin Fochs seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - c. **Member Services Committee**—Ray Nash presented the Member Services committee report and then moved, Tom Hofmann seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - d. **Policy and Bylaws Committee**—Bill Hunter presented the Policy and Bylaws committee report and then moved, Sally Shomo seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - e. **Professional Growth**—Kevin Fochs presented the Professional Growth committee report and then moved, Tom Hofmann seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - f. **Public Policy Committee**—Tom Hofmann presented the Public Policy committee report and then moved, Sally Shomo seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
 - g. **Strategic Planning Committee**—Lee James presented the Strategic Planning committee report and then moved, Harold Eckler seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried.
5. **Region I Teacher Recruitment Panel Discussion**—Kevin Fochs presented a report from the teacher recruitment panel session conducted at the Region I conference in April 2006.
 6. **Legislative Agenda Issues**—Bill Hunter presented a list of possible topics to be included in a legislative agenda for agricultural education.
 7. **Executive Session**—Ray Nash moved, Kevin Fochs seconded, for the board to enter executive session. The motion carried. The board entered an executive session at 11:48 a.m. Lee James moved, Ray Nash seconded, to end the executive session. The motion carried. The executive session ended at 12:15 p.m.
 8. **Adjournment**—With no further business to transact at this time, Allan Sulser declared the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.