

Minutes
NAAE Board of Directors Conference Call
April 9, 2009

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a conference call on April 9, 2009. Members of the board who were present for the conference call included: Sally Shomo (VA), President; Ray Nash (MS), President Elect; Hugh Mooney (CA), Region I Vice President; Kathy Conerly (LA), Region II Vice President; Craig McEnany (IA), Region III Vice President; Greg Curlin (IN), Region IV Vice President; Dr. Wm. Jay Jackman (KY), Executive Director; Alissa Smith (KY), Associate Executive Director; and Julie Fritsch (KY), Communications/Marketing Coordinator. The minutes of the conference call are as follows:

1. **Call to Order** – President Sally Shomo called the conference call board meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.
2. **Approval of 2009-10 NAAE Budget** – Jay Jackman presented the budget recommendation for 2009-10, including a personnel policy change regarding paid annual leave for full-time staff after they have completed two years of employment with NAAE.

Greg Curlin moved, Craig McEnany seconded, to change NAAE's personnel policy, effective July 1, 2009, such that full-time NAAE employees will get an increase in paid annual leave days from 12 days per year to 17 days per year after they have completed two years of employment with NAAE. The motion carried. If an employee's anniversary date occurs in the middle of a NAAE fiscal year, the additional paid annual leave days will be prorated accordingly.

Hugh Mooney moved, Kathy Conerly seconded, to adopt the revised 2009-10 NAAE budget as presented. The motion carried.

3. **FFA and FFA Foundation Report** – Sally Shomo, Ray Nash, and Jay Jackman presented a report related to the recent changes at the National FFA Organization and the National FFA Foundation. Bill Fleet is the interim COO of FFA and Dennis Sargent is the interim COO of the National FFA Foundation. The FFA Foundation and the FFA are now under separate management on an interim basis. The members of the FFA Foundation Board of Trustees are considering options to restructure the FFA Foundation on a permanent basis. The NAAE board agreed to seek input from NAAE members on a letter sent from Bill Fleet to the profession and to report the input gathered to Bill Fleet. Sally Shomo will communicate with Bill Fleet on behalf of NAAE. Jay Jackman will be meeting with Dennis Sargent and the National FFA Foundation staff on April 14, 2009 in Indianapolis.
4. **State Meeting Travel Plans and State Presidents' Packets** – Alissa Smith emphasized her need to get the state meeting travel plans from board members no later than April 15, 2009. Board members were reminded to be sure to present the Risk Management Education lesson plans at each and every opportunity. Alissa Smith also informed the board members that she will be sending them a copy of the packet of information that is

going out to all state association presidents so they will be fully informed as to what the NAAE office is providing to the state associations.

5. **News & Views** – Julie Fritsch discussed the deadline and topic for the May/June 2009 issue of *News & Views*. Jay Jackman stated that the reason for the delay in getting the March/April 2009 issue out was due to his attempt to gather information for a piece about how teachers can access stimulus plan dollars. The board members reiterated their desire to get the newsletter distributed in a more timely manner.
6. **NSTA Membership Discussion** – Jay Jackman reported on his discussions with staff of the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA). NSTA is interested in offering a discounted NSTA membership to NAAE members. The board gave their approval, by general consensus, to NAAE proceeding with establishing a membership relationship with NSTA.
7. **Adjournment** – With no further business to be transacted during this conference call, President Sally Shomo adjourned the call at 4:58 p.m.