

**Minutes**  
**NAAE Board of Directors Conference Call**  
**April 8, 2015**

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a board conference call meeting on April 8, 2015. Board members in attendance included: Charlie Sappington (IL), President; Nick Nelson (OR), Region I Vice President; James Cannon (AR), Region II Vice President; Glenda Crook (WI), Region III Vice President; Scott Stone (MO), Region IV Vice President; Jason Kemp (TN), Region V Vice President; Krista Pontius (PA), Region VI Vice President; and Wm. Jay Jackman (KY), NAAE Executive Director. NAAE staff members Julie Fritsch and Katie Wood were also present.

The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

1. **Call to Order**—President Charlie Sappington called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Approval of 2015-16 NAAE Budget**—Jay Jackman presented the proposed 2015-16 NAAE budget. Krista Pontius moved, Jason Kemp seconded, to approve the 2015-16 budget as presented. The motion carried.
3. **2015 Summer NAAE Board Meeting**—Given that few NAAE board members are available to participate in the National FFA Alumni conference in Raleigh in July and given the extra expense of board and staff members traveling to Raleigh in July, Terry Rieckman moved, James Cannon seconded, to move the 2015 summer NAAE board meeting to Lexington, Kentucky, rather than Raleigh, North Carolina, and to conduct the meeting on the same dates as previously approved. The motion carried.
4. **2016 NAAE Convention in Las Vegas Update**—Given that the Riviera Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas is being razed, Charlie Sappington requested that staff present an update at the summer board meeting on the hotel for the 2016 NAAE Convention.
5. **2015 NAAE Awards**—Charlie Sappington requested that board members communicate with their respective state leaders to encourage applications for the NAAE awards programs and to encourage volunteers to serve as evaluators for the awards programs.
6. **Staff Update**—Charlie Sappington requested that staff provide to him an update on NAAE activities and initiatives that he can share with board members no later than the end of April 2015.
7. **Condolences to Jay Jackman Upon the Death of His Father**—Charlie Sappington expressed the board's condolences upon the death of J. T. Jackman, Jay Jackman's father. Jay expressed his appreciation to the board and staff members for their support during his father's illness and death.
8. **2014-15 Membership Update**—The board requested that staff provide to them an updated 2014-15 membership report as soon as possible.
9. **Summer Board Meeting Travel Arrangements**—Katie Wood requested that board members communicate their summer board meeting travel plans to her no later than May 1, 2015.
10. **Adjournment**—With no further official business to be transacted, Scott Stone moved, Nick Nelson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. Charlie Sappington adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.