

SCACAA Board Meeting
January 20, 2017
Newberry Extension Office

Present: Alana West, Lee Van Vlake, Matt Burns, Millie Davenport, Jacob Stokes, Bryan Smith, Morris Warner, Terasa Lott, Cassie Wycoff, Brian Beer, Jeff Fellers

Call to order: President Jacob Stokes called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

Secretary's Report: Alana West, Secretary

- Minutes from the November 2016 board meeting were distributed via email prior to this meeting. Lee made a motion that the minutes be accepted. Bryan seconded the motion. No discussion. Minutes were approved.
- Membership Update: Membership drive started beginning of November. Currently 77 have registered, 5 are new and thus not paying dues. We are still waiting on dues from Jacob Stokes and a late fee from Laura Lee Rose. Morris, Life Members Chair, stated that we have 73 life members.

Treasurer's Report: Millie Davenport, Treasurer

- Wells Fargo not known due to technical difficulties
- Edward Jones \$12642.38
- Clemson Fund \$24915 - \$600 for travel to NACAA
- Millie will send update when she can access Wells Fargo.

Committee Reports:

- Administrative Skills-Charles Davis: No report.
- Ag Issues & Public Relations-Trish DeHond: No report.
- Early Career Development-Derrick Phinney: No report.
- Teaching & Educational Technologies-Guinn Wallover: No report.
- Ag Econ & Community Development-Brian Beer: No report.
- Agronomy & Pest Management-Jay Crouch: No report.
- Animal Science-Amber Starnes: No report.
- Hort & Turfgrass-Justin Ballew: No report.
- NR & Aquaculture-Ryan Bean is the new chair. No report.
- Sustainable Ag-Powell Smith: No report.
- 4-H & Youth-Patricia Whitener: No report
- Communications-Vicky Bertagnolli: No report.
- Professional Excellence-Amy Dabbs: Deadline to submit for NACAA AM/PIC Poster Session is March 15. Information can be found in the County Agent Magazine. Note that some changes have been made.
- Public Relations-Terasa Lott: No report.
- Recognition & Awards-Jeff Fellers: AA/DSA applications are completed, selected, and sent to Regional for approval. AA: Amy Dabbs and Cory Heaton. DSA: Andy Rollins and Brian Beer.
- Scholarship-Cassie Wycoff: No report.
- Search for Excellence-Bryan Smith: No report.
- Life Member-Morris Warner: 73 Life members. Clyde Strange is the only deceased this year: July 27, 2016. Carol Culbertson just left hospital after 3rd heart attack.
- NACAA Diversity-Grady Sampson: No report.
- Nominating-Matt Burns: No report.
- Association Policy-Matt Burns: Currently under revision by Cory Tanner. See New Business.
- AM/PIC-Lee Van Vlake

- Hotel
 - Hilton Garden Inn in Aiken: 40 rooms blocked for May 17-19, 24 double beds, 16 king beds, \$119/night by April 16
 - Hampton Inn overflow, ¾ mi away, also owned by Hilton, price currently unknown
 - No fine if we do not fill blocks if cancelled by certain date
 - Morris motions that we accept the hotel situation as presented. Brian seconds. No discussion. Motion passes.
- Meeting Space
 - Hilton Meeting Room will hold 80: 4-H on Wednesday, split on Friday
- Banquet
 - Thursday Banquet at Houndslake Country Club
 - Field Ops will cover cost of banquet
- Transportation
 - Will have 2 busses for tours and keep 1 for offsite banquet transportation
- Registration
 - \$100 registration fee. Morris motions to keep this price. Terasa seconds. Motion passes.

-Alana will send save the date to membership.

-Make sure that Chip Blalock with SunBelt is invited. Bryan will ask Jonathan Croft to do this when we ask for sponsorship money.

-Board decides not to host a separate Life Member Event but make sure Life Members are invited.

-AM/PIC Fundraising-Bryan Smith: David DeWitt, Beverly Connelly Brown, Bryan Smith, and Jacob Stokes will work together on Fundraising.

Old Business:

- Award Participation – Jeff is not sure how to increase participation.
- Donor Gifts – Bryan Smith. Still looking into this issue.

New Business:

- Policy Manual Changes
 - SCACAA Certificate of Merit Award: Members of the Recognition and Awards Committee are the only members not eligible to receive this award.
 - Consider removing this statement so that Jeff and whoever after him are eligible for these awards.
 - Board decides to leave the statement as is.
 - Regarding the Hall of Fame Award, our most recent winner was Frank Fitzsimmons. When the Board was approached about nominating him last year, it was decided that nomination would be open to the entire membership. As Awards Chair, Jeff would rather see the Executive Board decide who, if anyone, would be nominated.
 - If we really wanted to get membership involved maybe the Board could nominate and the membership could approve?
 - Matt motions that the Board nominates and approves Hall of Fame nominees. Lee seconds. Bryan would rather see the membership nominate and the Board approve. Matt amends his nomination to say membership nominates and Board approves Hall of Fame Entries. Lee seconds this motion. Jeff ask that we start this process earlier in the year than we start the AA/DSA process. Amended motion passes.
 - Alana recently updated all current and life members in the NACAA database. That resulted in a question... some of these life members are listed as having the magazine paid for life while

others had a deadline that has passed. Why is that? I thought that life members got the magazine for life. Are we supposed to pay something to make them NACAA life members? Croft says life members should pay a 1-time fee and when they were entered into the NACAA system you had to check that they were to get the magazine. I have heard some life members say that they are not getting it.

- Brian says it used to be that the state association pays \$100 for the magazine when they pay the \$50 life member dues. Morris will double check with Scott Hawbaker regarding this policy. If we need to change information on the Life Member application we can.
- Travel Reimbursement- Brian would like to see that members attending the National Meeting attend your respective awards ceremony, the annual banquet, and the regional meeting if you want to receive travel reimbursement funds. Terasa questions how to enforce this. Brian feels that there should be enough members in attendance to recognize this.
- Lee questions duties of VP and Pres Elect regarding attending national meetings such as PILD or JCEP. After double checking this it is not mentioned on the Policy, Bylaws, or Constitution. In general Pres Elect goes to PILD, Pres goes to JCEP. Board would like to add something about this to the Policy Manual. It has already been voted on and passed to add to Policy Manual via minutes from June 3, 2015. Board would like to add these statements to the Policy Manual.
 - Under officer duties add that we send president to JCEP and president elect to PILD. Association will pay for travel.

Future Meeting Dates:

- Monday, March 27 at 10 in Newberry

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Jeff. Seconded by Lee. With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:31 am.