

Indiana Extension Educators Association  
Professional Development Conference (PDC)  
Agriculture and Natural Resources Section  
October 17, 2006

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Easterday at 3:15 p.m.

Jim True moved and Dave Redman seconded, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held during Spring Conference. Motion passed.

Kelly introduced the new officers who will take over after this meeting:

David Trotter- President

Jon Neufelder- Vice-President

Nick Held- Secretary

Kelly then introduced and welcomed the new ANR Educators who have come on staff since Spring Conference and presented each with a framed copy of the NACAA Code of Ethics. The 3 new Educators are:

Jenise Platt- Brown County, 4-H/ANR

Jim Ade- Crawford County, ANR/4-H

Jerene Gilliam- Scott County, ANR/4-H

Kelly stated that Bill Horan has agreed to be the IEEA Secretary candidate from the ANR Section. She thanked Bill for agreeing to take on this responsibility.

Val Slack and Gary Horner served on an IEEA Committee to look into how the IEEA comes up with qualified IEEA Secretary Candidates. Val presented the changes recommended by this committee.

Val Slack stated that the ANR Section needs to appoint two members to the IEEA Committee that will be responsible for finding a qualified IEEA Secretary Candidate, regardless of the Section they represent.

Dave Osborne moved and Val Slack seconded that the representatives from ANR for this Committee be the immediate Past President and the immediate Past Past President. Motion passed. For the coming year, these representatives will be Kelly Easterday and Allen Ullom.

Tom Jordan gave the ANR Program Report. He reminded everyone that ANR training was quickly approaching (November 7<sup>th</sup>) and to reserve your room as soon as possible if you haven't already. He also reminded those who received requests from him to sit at their assigned tables with the Purdue Department Heads at this evening's awards banquet.

Cheri Janssen handed out a Private Applicators Recertification Program (PARP) report dated 10/17/06. If you did not receive this, contact Cheri for a copy at: [cjanssen@purdue.edu](mailto:cjanssen@purdue.edu).

Tom Jordan added that Bob Walsh is the new Indiana State Chemist.

Stacy Herr next presented a powerpoint presentation of pictures from the NACAA AM/PIC held in Cincinnati, OH this past July, to the tune of "County Agent Man". Kelly thanked Stacy and her Extension Staff for doing an outstanding job on this presentation! Kelly also thanked Nick Held for arranging the "State's Night Out" meal at the Haufbrau House during the NACAA AM/PIC.

Jim True gave a report on the Sunday evening meal served by the Indiana delegation at NACAA AM/PIC. Approximately 30 ANR Educators and their families helped prepare and serve the meal to over 1200 NACAA members and families at the meeting. Thanks for generous donations gathered by Jim and various Educators from across the State, Jim had \$208 left over from the meal. Kelly then presented framed "Kentucky Pictures" purchased at NACAA to Jim True for all the work he did organizing, arranging and hosting the Sunday Night meal at NACAA AM/PIC.

Jim True also commented that we need to try and make donations to the NACAA Auction from Indiana. He pointed out that the value of this donation plus any bid over the value will be credited to the individual's NACAA Scholarship contribution.

Stan Moore, North Central Region Director from Michigan gave an update from NACAA. He handed out a green sheet that listed the NACAA officers, directors, committees, future meeting dates, and Leadership Contacts information. He encouraged the members to become involved in our professional association and to attend the NACAA AM/PIC in Grand Rapids, Michigan to be held on July 15, 2007. Indiana will be helping sponsor a break on Sunday evening check-in. Stan also encouraged everyone to check out the NACAA website at: <http://www.nacaa.com/> and see if your information on this website is correct (click on "member database"). If you can't login, it's probably because your e-mail address has not been updated on the website. You can also read the "North Central Region Newsletter", as well as the "2006 Futuring Report" at this same website. He stated that the new officer team is in the process of acting on the recommendations from the Futuring Report. He also encouraged Indiana Committee Chairs to contact their National counterpart if they haven't heard from them. This information can be found on the website as well.

#### NACAA Committee Reports:

1. **Communications** – Stacy Clupper: Kelly Easterday was a State Winner. Stacy is resigning as chair of this committee. Michael Reetz and Adrienne Rich were nominated for this position. A hand vote was taken and Adrienne was voted as the new Communications Committee Chairperson.
2. **Extension Programs** – Mike Ferree: Gary Michel was a State Winner.
3. **4-H & Youth** – Gary Michel: Kelly Easterday was a State Winner.
4. **Professional Excellence** – Jon Neufelder: Kelly Easterday was a State Winner and displayed a poster at the NACAA meeting in July, where she placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kelly also attended the session at the NACAA meeting and received a CD that explains how to prepare a poster for this contest. Contact Kelly if you would like to see this CD.
5. **Public Relations** – Jim True: No report
6. **Recognition & Awards** (DSA, AA, Hall of Fame) – Mike Manning was not present, but Kelly stated that Stacy Clupper was the DSA winner, and David Trotter and Jerry Nelson were the AA winners. Tom Hampton was nominated from Indiana for the Hall of Fame, but did not with the National Award.
7. **Scholarship** – Bill Horan: Bill handed out a copy of the "NACAA Scholarship Application Form". In order to qualify for a Scholarship in 2007, you must have contributed at least \$40 to the NACAA Scholarship Fund by June 30, 2006. Applications are due by June 1, 2007. He also discussed the "Catch 22" where you can not have started or completed the program you are applying for financial

assistance before it has been approved by NACAA Scholarship Committee in July at AM/PIC. He suggested to Stan Moore that the NACAA Scholarship Committee needs to meet more than one time a year to consider applications. Bill will make our concerns known about this issue to the NACAA Scholarship Committee.

8. **Agronomy/Pest Management** – Jeff Phillips: No report
9. **Ag Econ** – Kimberly Moore: No report
10. **Animal Sciences** – Craig Williams: No report
11. **Forestry** – Amy Thompson: No report
12. **Horticulture** – Ken Salkeld: No report
13. **Aquaculture/Sea grant** – Allen Ullom: No report
14. **PR and Ag Issues** – Bob Yoder: He encouraged members to nominate farmers for the Young Outstanding Farmer Award. The nomination form can be found in the County Agent magazine.
15. **Early Career Development** – Stacy Herr: Stacy attended the meeting at the NACAA AM/PIC for the members with 5 years or less experience.
16. **Teaching & Educational Technologies** – Jerry Nelson: He was unable to be at the meeting, but he submitted an e-mail update from this committee. Contact Jerry at: [jnelson@purdue.edu](mailto:jnelson@purdue.edu) if you want to receive a copy of this committee update from Karen Vines.
17. **Admin. Skills Development** – Val Slack: No report.
18. **Life Members** – Tom Hampton: He would like any help you can give him on keeping the change in address updated for Life Members. Also, if you have any information about deceased Educators, please pass that along to him as well.

Kelly brought up the issue of the fact that, as a state, we don't do a very good job of applying for all the awards offered by NACAA. In most cases, State winners can receive a minimum of \$50 by just applying. She suggested that we form a committee with a representative from each area to meet via IP video to discuss potential candidates for each of the NACAA awards.

Kelly stated that NACAA 2007 meeting will be held in Grand Rapids, MI on July 15-19<sup>th</sup>. The 2008 meeting will be in Greensboro, NC on July 13-17<sup>th</sup>. The 2009 meeting will be in Portland, OR on September 20-24<sup>th</sup>. The 2010 meeting will be held in Tulsa, OK on July 11-15<sup>th</sup>.

Kelly stated that Galaxy III 2008 will be held in Indianapolis, IN from September 14-18<sup>th</sup>. Watch for an e-mail update on this from Peg Ellers.

Roger Scherer is resigning his position as Indiana 4-H Foundation representative. We need a new candidate from the ANR Section. Val Slack volunteered for this position. Steve Engelking moved, and Jennifer Chestnut seconded, that Val Slack be the ANR Section Representative. Motion was approved.

Seeing no other business, Mark Evans moved to adjourn the meeting. After receiving a second, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon R. Neufelder  
ANR Section Secretary