

Indiana Extension Educators Association  
Spring Conference  
Agriculture and Natural Resources Section  
April 24, 2006

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Easterday at 1:10 p.m.

A motion was made by Curt Emanuel and seconded, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held at Professional Development Conference. Motion passed.

Kelly requested everyone present introduce themselves.

Dave Trotter, Section Vice-President, discussed the need for “volunteers” or nominations for Secretary for the ANR Section, as well as, Secretary Candidate for IEEA. A motion was made by Dave Trotter and seconded, to nominate Nick Held for ANR Section Secretary. A motion was then made by Chris Parker and seconded, to close nominations. Motion passed. The motion to elect Nick Held for ANR Section Secretary passed.

Dave stated that we would continue to search for a candidate from the ANR Section to nominate for IEEA Secretary to be elected at Professional Development Conference this fall.

Tom Jordan was unable to attend Spring Conference, but did send a report to Kelly. Kelly discussed these items. A complete list of topics is available by contacting either Kelly or the Secretary.

Kelly reported on the JCEP Regional Meeting she attended in St. Louis earlier this year. She met with the Officers of our National Organization, NACAA. She stated that the “Young Farmer” applications are due by August 1<sup>st</sup>. If you know of someone to nominate, please contact her. Oklahoma was the only bid for the 2010 NACAA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC). Iowa is bidding for the 2011 date. The dates and location of the next 4 AM/PIC are as follows:

- July 23-27, 2006 at Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky
- July 15-19, 2007 at Grand Rapids, Michigan
- July 13-17, 2008 at Greensboro, North Carolina
- September 20-24, 2009 at Portland, Oregon

Deadline for “early registration” for this summer’s meeting is May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Jim True ([jtrue@purdue.edu](mailto:jtrue@purdue.edu)) gave a report on the progress of the Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> evening meal the Indiana delegation is sponsoring at the NACAA AM/PIC in Cincinnati in July. He has secured donations for most all of the food, but is still looking for donations of ice and drinks. If you know of a contact for either of these that would either donate or give us a discount on purchase, please contact Jim. Jim also noted that

we could use between 25 and 40 people to help with preparation and serving of the meal that evening. If you just want to come over for that day and help, he has secured approval for you to do this without registering for the Conference. However, he still needs to know if you will be helping ahead of time so that he can obtain a name badge for you to wear while you are there. Kelly thanked Jim and his committee for all the work they've done on this!

Kelly asked for NACAA Committee Reports. She has asked that if you have not heard from the National Committee Chair for your particular committee to please let her know.

- a. Communications – Stacy Clupper reported that she received 5 applications from Indiana for these awards and forwarded them on.
- b. Extension Programs – Mike Ferree reported that he received 1 application forwarded.
- c. 4-H & Youth – Gary Michel reported that he received 1 application forwarded.
- d. Professional Excellence – Jon Neufelder reported 1 application forwarded.
- e. Public Relations – Jim True reported no contact from NACAA, no report.
- f. Recognition & Awards (DSA, AA, Hall of Fame) – Mike Manning reported that the 2006 DSA winners from Indiana are: Jerry Nelson and David Trotter. The Indiana AA winner is Stacy Clupper. A new award, the Hall of Fame, we nominated Tom Hampton.
- g. Scholarship – Bill Horan not present. However, Kelly Easterday stated that if you want to take advantage of the Scholarship Program from NACAA, you need to have your one-time \$40 fee paid to be eligible for up to \$2,000 in Scholarships. For more information or to submit your payment, contact Bill Horan.
- h. Agronomy/Pest Management – Jeff Phillips no report.
- i. Ag Econ – Kimberly Moore not present, no report.
- j. Animal Sciences – Craig Williams not present, no report.
- k. Forestry – Amy Thompson no report.
- l. Horticulture – Ken Salkeld not present, no report.
- m. Aquaculture/Sea grant – Allen Ullom not present, no report.
- n. PR and Ag Issues – Bob Yoder no present, no report.
- o. Early Career Development – Stacy Herr not present, no report.
- p. Teaching & Educational Technologies – Jerry Nelson no report.
- q. Admin. Skills Development – Val Slack no report.
- r. Life Members – Tom Hampton stated that by paying Life Membership dues, you will receive The County Agent publication with the NACAA AM/PIC each year.

Next, Kelly discussed the current rotation for ANR officers to attend JCEP and PILD. Currently, the President is supposed to attend both of these. However, since PILD traditionally falls on our IEEA Spring Conference, it makes it hard for them to attend this and the Conference. After discussion, a motion was made by Val Slack and seconded,

that starting in 2007, the President and Secretary attend JCEP, while the Vice-President will attend PILD. Motion passed.

Kelly discussed the Galaxy III in 2008 that will be held in Indiana. Although NACAA has expressed support for this Conference, they will still hold their own Annual Meeting and Professional Development Conference.

Phil Sutton discussed the problem ANR is having with obtaining a Secretary candidate to run for IEEA Secretary at Professional Development Conference in the fall. Phil has agreed to chair a committee for IEEA to look at the officer succession process for IEEA officers. He requested two members of the ANR Section to serve on this committee. Michael Reetz and Val Slack have agreed to serve on this committee.

Dave Osborne discussed the need to have the Section or the Association pay for costs for officers to attend conferences like JCEP and PILD. Out of pocket costs to Educators to attend these conferences continues increase and can be significant. He suggested that we need to make a recommendation to IEEA leadership to help cover these costs more fully. Kelly said she would pass this message along.

Kelly Easterday gave the State Awards Committee report. She asked for everyone to email or call her with suggestions on how to encourage more educators to apply for awards – especially NACAA at the national level.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jon R. Neufelder  
ANR Section Secretary