

## **September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 - WAAE Conference Call**

Board Members Present: Bridgett Neu, Dave Kruse, Kim Houser, Jeff Hicken, Troy Talford, Shari Graffunder, Josh Rusk, Tracy Harper, Jeanna James, Lindsey Meissner, Joel Kuhnhold, Darren Swartz, Steve Schauf, Laura Hasselquist, Paul Zuelke, Kevin Hoffman, Nicole Reese

### **Fall Inservices**

Jeff Hicken will send out a final Fall In-service agenda to the board members for all to see. Please forward that on to the members of your section. VP's please remember to confirm your facility to make sure that everything is set to go, let members know what the plan for lunch is, develop an agenda regarding WAAE items. Each section has \$50 to spend on food at either the fall or spring in-service. Please keep your receipts and submit them to Bridgett for reimbursement. This can be done during the November board meeting if you have had your in-service by then.

### **PDC locations.**

It was a consensus that the PDC should be rotated (it was not determined if it would be a 2, 3 or 4 year rotation).

*Shari Graffunder moved that the Professional Development Conference to be held in Green Bay for 2013. It was seconded by Lindsey Meissner. There were no objections, the motion passed. The 2013 Professional Development Conference will be held in Green Bay.*

### **UW Collaboration Initiative**

Dave has sent a letter to UW-Madison, UW-Platteville and UW-River Falls inviting them to consider a 'testing out' process for agricultural majors within Plant or Animal Science classes. Dave would also like to strengthen the transition from high school to 4 year college. There will be a conference call on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 for all interested parties regarding improving the transition process.

### **Post-Secondary**

Tracy reported on Post-Secondary issues. The big 'push' now at the Post Secondary level, is the transition from high school to the technical college, as well as trying to come up with a way to have all high school students academically on the same page when they enter the technical college.

### **CDE Coordinator position.**

The CDE committee chairperson, LaVerne Georgson approved the description of the position. Dave informed the board that the position will go on the website and will go over the list serve. All interested parties should send a letter of interest to Bridgett by October 24<sup>th</sup> and then during the November board meeting (212/360 conference) the 3 P's hope to interview candidates. Dave also asked all sectional VP's to send an email to the teachers in their section regarding the position.

### **Carl Perkins**

Please continue to advocate for Carl Perkins and encourage your members to keep in contact their legislators regarding Perkins. We can make the difference!

### **Ag. Ed. Program Feedback.**

We have currently had 144 entries from agricultural educators across the state. We would like to have 100% response, please encourage your section to fill out the survey. If anyone is interested in receiving the information regarding changes of Agricultural Education Programs, please let Dave know and he will get you that information.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?hl=en\\_US&formkey=dFJqU2hva2RhZHBBbU5MSmVvTF9Ha1E6MQ](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?hl=en_US&formkey=dFJqU2hva2RhZHBBbU5MSmVvTF9Ha1E6MQ)

### **Grad Credits.**

If you would like to receive credits for serving on the WAAE board, please contact Rick Bockhop.

### **Volunteers.**

Dave is looking for volunteers for the finance and by-laws committee. If you are interested, please email Dave.

Next conference call is set for Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Agriculturally yours,

Kim Houser  
WAAE President-Elect