

WAAE Membership Annual Business Meeting
Professional Development Conference
June 29 – July 2, 2009

Meeting called to order by David Laatsch

Financial Report: Bridgett Neu

Investment report presented by TJ Hankerson of UBS Financial Services

Financial Report Wendell Strutz, Strutz Financial Services

Strutz Financial is the new accounting service for WAAE.

Explained the following concepts:

Loss in investments reflects change in net income

Change in fiscal year dates

Bridgett Neu, Executive Director, highlighted some of the differences in the proposed budget due to changes in recording practices in the transition between executive directors.

Recognition of New Members/teachers by Jeff Hicken

Dani Raether, Flambeau

Sonja Huebly, Gilman

Jake Craemer, Janesville

Michelle Kamm, Baldwin-Woodville

Committee Meeting expectations/needs: Jeff Zobeck

Recess until next scheduled business session.

Business meeting reconvened at 3:15 pm on Tuesday, June 30, 2009

Constitutional and Bylaws revision:

David Kruse highlighted proposed constitutional amendments.

Moved to accept constitutional amendments as proposed in the program handbook by David Kruse, 2nd by Ron VanGlahn

Amendment will be voted on Thursday

Motion passed.

Reports:

Wisconsin Agriculture Education and Workforce Development Council: Gary Olson

Update of 1st year progress

FFA LPS: Craig Fredrick

Updated progress on National FFA Chief Operating Officer selection process

National FFA Alumni Update

National FFA Scholarship: Increase in # of national applicants

Agri-entrepreneurship Award: Please consider encouraging student participation

Provided an update on numerous other upcoming changes for National FFA

WACTE: Terry Simmons

Offered greetings and comments on behalf of WACTE

Wisconsin FFA Foundation: George Koepf

Raffle: 2009 Wisconsin FFA Foundation netted over \$12,000.

Reminders about the FFA Foundation golf outings

The sponsors board has held a strategic planning session to solidify the direction of the Wisconsin FFA Foundation. George shared some of the ideas that the Foundation board is considering.

PAS Update: Paul Cutting

Paul shared a summary of activities of PAS and announced state officers of PAS.

FFA and FFA Center Update: Cheryl Zimmerman

Cheryl provided a brief summary of state convention highlights.

She also shared some of the changes to look for in the FFA this coming year.

FFA Alumni Update: Jeff Hicken on behalf of Ken Harter

Shared updates of Wisconsin FFA Alumni from National FFA Alumni convention as well as Wisconsin FFA Alumni convention

The new Wisconsin FFA Alumni handbook is finished.

Department of Public Instruction: Jeff Hicken

Tony Evers takes over July 7th as Superintendent

Shared the idea of the CASE model for agricultural education

Friday, August 14th, FFA chapters needed to volunteer for State Fair Camp for urban youth.

Grades 3 -5.

Farm Technology Days

Meeting called back to order Thursday, July 02, 2009 at 8:03 am

Reports from

Ferron Havens of the Wisconsin Agribusiness Council

Wisconsin Agribusiness Council's role is to promote Wisconsin agriculture

Send Ferron an email indicating you received the career booklets and also send him an example of "old farm" saying.

Contact him if you would like to

Kevin Whalen

AP Environmental Science Course

This course is an option for Agriculture programs to offer a class worth both a science credit and college credit provided students pass the AP test requirements. Investigate this course as an option to meet the needs of additional students within your high school program.

Kevin Raucholz

Post Secondary On-campus Committee Report:

Old Business:

Financial Report

A revised financial report was distributed to reflect accurate changes from the report published in the program handbook. Bridgett, addressed some of the questions that had been presented throughout the week.

Brent Iverson moved to accept the revised financial report as presented

Rick Bockup 2nd

Motion passed.

2010-2011 Budget

Moved to approve the 2010-2011 budget as presented by Paul Larsen

2nd by Ralph Johnson

Motion passed

Report from Cheryl Zimmerman on FFA activities

Committee Reports

Moved to accept all committee reports by Linda Sattler.

2nd by Marty Nowak

Motion passed.

Moved to adjourn by Kim Houser

2nd by Miah Fredrickson

Motion passed

Respectfully submitted

David Kruse