

PAAE Meeting March 10, 2013

Call to order: 12:10pm by President Seibert

Exec Sec./Treasurer Report:

- Financial
  - Refer to financial reports
  - Net Income: \$7,951.76
  - For packet at regional meetings: make a copy of all financial documents, and then post each financial document on the webpage after each board meeting. (budget comparison and ledger)
- Membership
  - 188 PAAE members, 200 NAAE members
    - Actually 110 teacher that are yearly paid members of PAAE
    - For regional meetings, want entire membership list
- Conference Incident
  - Did meet with Trooper in regards to the conference incident, and they wanted a shortened list.
  - Meeting went well
- Minutes
  - Motion to accept minutes by Carole Fay, Second: Mike Woods, Motion Passed
- President Report
  - Call from Chris Weller and Lee Burkett
    - Email from Weller about ch 4 being reauthorized.
    - Can an agricultural department supplement for the keystone biology exam, or can the nocti count for the keystone biology exam?
    - Create a one-page document about PAAE and their thoughts on this situation. In it state what Agriculture really is, and what our job is.
    - Discussed the situation with Dr. Burkett, and made her aware of how remediation courses could affect agricultural departments.
    - If the proposal goes into effect, it could become law.
    - Talk about how agriculture is providing the science piece, and please talk to PAAE when looking for a solution.
  - State Curriculum
    - Discussed a state curriculum and must be careful which we support: CASE or create our own.
    - We need to talk to PDE and ask for money for them fund it.
- Past-President-no report
- President-Elect: no report
- Legislative Advocate: Secretary Tomalis and Governor Corbett will be attending the SLLC breakfast

- Committee Reports
  - Member Services:
    - Everyone needs to send delegate reports to Deb if they received money for the NAAE Conference
  - Public Policy
    - Make 1 page statement available in packets that will be presented at the hearing in the coming week
  - Marketing
    - Potentially ask Bart Gill to discuss national AFNR curriculum at the summer conference
  - Strategic Planning
    - Workshop on Monday with Bill Fleet discussing on how to set-up a proper strategic plan
    - Follow-up to the strategic plan meeting, there will be a meeting to start the entire Ag-Ed Family initiative
  - Policy and Bylaws
    - Refer to policy manual and current changes
    - The policy manual will be emailed to the board for review and then given to the membership for review at the spring regional meeting and then final vote will take place at the summer conference
  - Finance-Refer to documents Mr. Brammer provided
  - Professional Growth
    - Please fill out awards
  - Standing Special Committees
    - 2014 Conference
      - Hosted out of Derry Area School District's Elementary School
      - Looking at having Banquet at the Hampton Inn
    - 2013 Conference
      - Registration will go live soon
      - For more questions, ask Holly Oberholtzer
      - On a side note PAAE is applying for sales tax exemption status
    - Advocacy-no report at this time
    - No other report from standing special
  - Advisory Board Representatives
    - PA Young Farmers:
      - Deb Zug retired as PA Young Farmers Association state Chair and Edith Rhoads has been elected to fill this position
      - Executive Director/Educational Secretary: Betsy Huber
    - PDE report: Chris Weller is very busy conducting visits for approved program status
    - FFA Facilitator
      - Look at proficiency application and Cliff and Kevin will go over state winner application
      - Val Fry is our CDE chairperson; chairman of state cde contest must fill out questionnaire and return as soon as possible. Dr.

Foster would like to provide CDE assistant with Collegiate FFA members.

- Collegiate FFA should not be used as judges for state competition
- PSU
  - Refer to calendar of events
  - Keep in mind that the grant given to PAAE must include all agricultural teachers. The workshops cannot exclude any teachers. It is acceptable to give a price reduction to dues paid members.
  - It was also stated that there were no obligations attached to this workshop; but the workshops were full and evaluations were submitted with positive comments.
  - Encourage to participate in the ag teacher chat on Community of Practice website
- Please find Honorary Keystone and Citation award winners
- Recommended to get input from members at regional meeting about legislative document that MeeCee is giving out.
- Lincoln Electric
  - Donated two MIG welders to the state. One of the MIG welders will go to the winner of the ag mechanics team and the second one will go to a program in need.
- FFA-Mike Brammer
  - New COO at FFA is Josh Bledsoe - currently doing a search for the director of the FFA Foundation
  - Deadline for Activities week is May 14<sup>th</sup>. They would like to limit the number of changes at registration to hardly anything. Will receive a new medical form and the PSU form. Must have emergency contact info from every teacher and chaperone.
- Foundation: July 25<sup>th</sup> is the golf tournament
- Motion: To pay Deb \$100 for digitizing the logo for PAAE. Motion: Tracy Marchini, Second: Carole Fay (Motion Passed)

Discussion: The money could come from the budgeted section of the Farm Show Booth.

Meeting adjourned at: 2:34 Carole (Motion) Sara Fulton (Second)