



Western Region American Association for Agricultural Education Business Meeting
Western Region Agricultural Education Conference
Park City, Utah

Minutes - Business Session I

Thursday, April 17

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Arrowhead I & II

- I. Call to Order – Jack Elliot, President, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.
 - a. Jack Elliot reported that Dr. Foster’s scrapbook for the Western Region had been found by Greg Thompson of Oregon State and was available for review.
 - b. Ed Franklin was recognized for his contributions as a sports announcer as reported on the front page of the Arizona Newspaper
 - c. Dr. Billye Foster was unable to attend the conference due to family.
 - d. Dr. Billye Foster was recognized for receiving the top teaching award from the University of Arizona.

- II. Introductions – Western Region AAAE members and guests
 - a. 30 members were present representing U of Arizona, Cal Poly State U, Chico State U, Colorado State U, U of Idaho, Montana State U, New Mexico State U, U of Nevada Reno, Oklahoma State U, Oklahoma Panhandle State U, Oregon State U, Tarleton State U, Texas Tech University, Utah State U, Washington State U, and U of Wyoming
 - b. Special guests in attendance were AAAE President Dr. Gary Moore from North Carolina State U. and Dr. Eddie Moore from Michigan State U
 - c. 12 graduates students from various Western Region universities were in attendance

- III. Approval of the Minutes of the 2007 Western Region Agricultural Education Conference was moved to Business Session II so members could review the minutes as posted on the website.

- IV. Conference agenda was reviewed with no changes being suggested or made

- V. Brian Warnick, Research Conference Coordinator from Utah State University voiced Thanks to everyone who submitted papers, reviewed papers or those who were assigned as chairs, judges, and facilitators.

- VI. Supply and Demand Report estimated that the Western Region would have 284 qualified graduates to teach high school agriculture with possibly 232 graduates entering the profession with a possible 362 to 412 job openings.
- VII. Each of the Western Region Standing Committees held meetings to discuss reports and member nominations.
- VIII. Nominations for Western Region Committees
 - a. Nominees for Communications Committee/Member Services were Heather Jepsen from Arizona and Shelly Sinton from Oklahoma for three year terms and Rudy Tarpley from Utah to fill the remaining year of the vacant position
 - b. Nominees for Program Improvement committee were Kevin Williams, Panhandle State Oklahoma; Kelly Enns, Colorado State; and Kyle McGregor, Tarleton. Nominated to finish the one year vacant term was Reynold Gardner of Oregon State.
 - c. Professional Development Committee nominees were Shannon Arnold of Montana State and Quent Molina of U of Arizona.
 - d. Research Committee nominees were Lori Moore of U of Idaho and David Doerfert of Texas Tech.
 - e. Nominee for Journal of Agricultural Education Editing – Managing Board was Lori Moore of the University of Idaho.
 - f. Nominees for Journal of Agricultural Education Editorial Review Board were Steve Rocca, Fresno State University and Mike Swann, Washington State University.
- IX. New Business

Kim Bellah of Tarleton State gave a short synopsis of the Delta Conference to be held in Stephenville, TX on June 22-27, 2008.

Lori Moore thanked members who had volunteered to judge the Outstanding Research Paper Presentations and also requested a replacement to volunteer to be a judge for Session D.
- X. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.



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Minutes - Business Session II

Friday, April 18

8:30 – 10:10 a.m.

Arrowhead I & II

- I. Jack Elliot, President called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
- II. First item of business was the approval of the Minutes from the 2007 Western Region AAAE Business Meetings held in Cody, Wyoming. Mike Swann made the motion to approve the minutes and Vern Luft seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the 2007 minutes.
- III. Committee Reports
 - a. Communications/Member Services: Kim Bellah gave the committee report. The highlight of the report was a discussion of membership and the relationship of the Western and Southern Regions and the affiliation of AAAE members in Oklahoma and Texas. It was clarified that members in those two states would make a professional decision as far as application for awards and in the serving on committees and as officers. Gary Moore, AAAE President reported that the National committee was reviewing the AAAE Constitution and Bylaws and a report would be forthcoming at the national conference. David Doerfert discussed the possibility of the membership form having a selection choice as to which of the regions a member was affiliated with. Shelly Sinton reported that there was no problem with dual participation in SASS and Western Region AAAE. Greg Thompson presented a resolution that membership should be by choice. Other items were a recommendation of faster and more convenient posting to website. It was also reported that Dr. Todd Brashears would take over the annual Teacher Supply and Demand Report. Jim Knight made the motion to accept the C/M S committee report and Greg Thompson made the second. Motion passed.
 - b. Program Improvement: Carl Igo gave the committee report starting with special recognition of the Poster Judges for 2008 which included: David Jones, Stacy Vincent, Curt Friedel, Kyle McGregor, Travis Park, and Jon Ulmer. It was recommended that Western follow AAAE rules for posters and abstracts and further recommended that reviewers be given a CD of

proceedings if out of the region. Mike Spiess moved to accept the report of the committee and David Doerfert seconded. Motion passed.

- c. Professional Development: Vern Luft gave the PD Committee report with Mike Swann moving to accept and Vern Luft seconding. Report was approved.
- d. Research Committee: Lori Moore gave the Research Committee report noting that it was the year for Western Region to provide judges for NAERC. Also brought out in the report was the use of Fast Track for submission of research papers for all future Regional and National Conferences. Of note was the idea of development of Research Impact Abstracts. Also recommended was the use of the National Research Agenda for classification of research papers and not SIGs. David Doerfert moved to accept the RC report and Carl Igo seconded. Motion passed. A resolution is to be crafted to follow the National Research Agenda for submission at NAERC.
- e. Journal of Agricultural Education Editing - Managing Board: David Doerfert gave the report JAE Editing – Managing Board. Doerfert reported on the progress of JAE becoming an electronic on-line journal. Jim Knight pointed to the need to wait one year to release on-line and Mike Swann discussed the idea of a 3 year period before release. Lori Moore noted it would be password protected for current members. Mike Swann suggested the need to redo the website for access. Cindy Akers moved to accept the report with Mike Swann offering a second. Report was unanimously accepted.
- f. Journal of Agricultural Education Editorial Review Board: No report was given. It was announced that Wendy Warner would replace Brian Warnick on the Board.
- g. Consultant to FFA Board of Directors and FFA Foundation Board of Trustees: Carl Igo, Western Region FFA Board Consultant gave the report of the National FFA. Mike Spiess moved to accept the report and James Knight seconded. Motion passed.

IV. Jack Elliot requested if there were any additional nominations from the floor for the following AAAE Committees:

- a. Communications/Member Services Committee
- b. Program Improvement Committee
Reynold Gardner was nominated for the Program Improvement Committee.
- c. Professional Development Committee
- d. Research Committee
- e. Journal of Agricultural Education Editing-Managing Board

- f. Journal of Agricultural Education Editorial Review
- g. Consultant to FFA Board of Directors
- h. FFA Foundation Board of Trustees

It was noted that the Consultant to the FFA Board of Directors and FFA Foundation Board of Trustees is a three year term and there would be no election for a replacement until 2009.

V. New Business:

The first item of new business was the discussion of the rotation of the host state for the Western Region Conference. The discussion centered on staying with the NAAE Region rotation noting the New Mexico was not included in the NAAE rotation. Most of the discussants agreed that meeting with the teachers from NAAE was a positive aspect of the conference. Mike Swann moved that Western AAAE continue to follow and meet with Region 1 of NAAE. Kim Bellah seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Vern Luft gave an update of the National Conference meeting in Reno in May. He also reported on the 2009 Western Region Conference which would be April 22-25 on the South Shore of Lake Tahoe and that a contract had been made for hotel rooms at a rate of \$72 per night. There would also be a second call for papers issued if Fast Track was selected as the submission form.

Other new business was a call for proposals from states in the Western Region interested in hosting the 2011 National AAAE Conference. Proposals would be presented at the 2009 Western meeting in Lake Tahoe.

VI. Awards: Carl Igo recognized Mike Spiess as the Poster Chair and the following awards were presented:

Innovative Posters

2nd Runner-up

The Common Teaching Unit: Improving Agricultural Technology Management Laboratory Instruction During Student Teacher Preservice Training

*Edward Franklin, Glen Miller
University of Arizona*

1st Runner-up

The "CASE" for Rigorous and Relevant Curriculum in Agricultural Education

*Daniel J. Jansen, Brad J. Schloesser, and Robert W. Clark
Oregon State University, South Central College, and NCAE*

Winner

Enhancing the Rigor and Relevance in Lessons

*Daniel J. Jansen and Gregory W. Thompson
Oregon State University*

Research Posters

2nd Runner-up

Teacher Perceptions of Agricultural Mechanics Teacher Preparation

Justin Pickard and Michael Spiess

California State University, Chico

1st Runner-up

FFA Diversity - Establishing Benchmarks and Tracking Developing Trends

Michael Spiess

California State University, Chico

Winner

An Exploratory Analysis of the Growing Ruralpolitan Population

Morgan Newsom, David L. Doerfert, Jessica Carr, Scott Burris, Matt Baker

Texas Tech University

Individual Member awards were presented by Jack Elliot and the four past presidents. Awards presented were:

Mike Swann presented the 2008 Outstanding Young Member to:

Lori Moore, Idaho

Vern Luft presented the 2008 Distinguished Service Award to:

Mike Spiess, Chico State

Greg Thompson presented the 2008 Distinguished Research Award to:

Brenda SeEVERS, New Mexico State

Jack Elliot presented the 2008 International Award to:

Kim Dooley, Texas A&M

And Marty Frick presented the 2008 Distinguished Teaching Award to:

Greg Thompson, Oregon State

- VII. Jack Elliot made the call for resolutions for the Saturday morning business meeting.
- VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 and is noted in the minutes that this was 2 minutes ahead of schedule.



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Minutes - Business Session III

Saturday, April 19
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Arrowhead I & II

- I. Jack Elliot, President, called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.
- II. Committee elections were held.
 - Elected to serve a three term for the Communications/Member Services Committee were: Heather Jepsen and Shelly Sinton
 - Elected to the Program Improvement Committee were Kevin Williams and Kyle McGregor with Reynold Gardner elected to fill the vacancy with one year remaining.
 - Elected to serve on the Professional Development Committee were Shannon Arnold and Quintin Molina
 - Both Lori Moore and David Doerfert were reelected to terms on the Research Committee
 - Elected to the Journal of Agricultural Education Editing-Managing Board was Lori Moore
 - Mike Swann and Steve Rocca were elected to serve on the Journal of Agricultural Education Editorial Review Board.

The meeting in 2009 will include the election of secretary and National FFA Board Consultant.

- III. Outstanding Research Award – Lori Moore & David Doerfert, Research Committee recognized the Outstanding Research Presentation Awards:

2nd Runner-up

Perceptions of Outside Stakeholders: How Important Are Leadership Skills?

Lori L. Moore, University of Idaho

Kimberly A. Gardner, Del Monte Foods

1st Runner-up

Pacific Northwest Agricultural Educators' Perceived Teacher Efficacy toward Enhancing Mathematics

Daniel J. Jansen & Gregory W. Thompson, Oregon State University

Winner

iPod Technology in Graduate Agricultural Education and Communications Courses:
A Comparison of Adopters and Non-Adopters

Karin Fritz, Todd Brashears, Cindy Akers, Scott Burris, & Christine Alvarado, Texas Tech University

IV. A resolution to the National AAAE on regional membership of Texas and Oklahoma (see attachment) was presented by Jim Knight. Rudy Tarpley led a discussion and moved the acceptance of the resolution. Vern Luft seconded. Motion passed.

Brian Warnick was recognized for his service as 2008 Research and Conference Chair. Steve Frazee offered the following two resolutions in appreciation to Brian and others from the state of Utah for service to AAAE:

Resolution #1

Western Region Appreciation Resolution

Authors: Western Region Association for Agricultural Educators

WHEREAS, the 2008 Western Region Agricultural Education Conference was held April 16-19, 2008 in Park City, Utah.

WHEREAS, outstanding planning and implementing went into the 2008 Conference

WHEREAS, Western Region participants were treated to exceptional Utah hospitality

Therefore be in Resolved, that the AAAE express our sincere appreciation to Utah State University, the Department of Agricultural Education and Agricultural Systems Management, the Utah Department of Education and the Utah Association of Agricultural Educators.

Resolution #2

Western Region Appreciation Resolution

Authors: Western Region Association for Agricultural Educators

WHEREAS, the 2008 Western Region Agricultural Education Research Conference was held April 16-19, 2008 in Park City, Utah.

WHEREAS, the research conference requires detailed planning, communication,

WHEREAS, the research conference is an important component of faculty scholarly activity

Therefore be in Resolved, that the AAAE express our sincere appreciation to Research Chair Brian Warnick for a professional, scholarly research conference.

Steve Frazee moved for the acceptance of both resolutions and Jim Knight seconded. Motion passed.

- V. Western Region Conference Rotation and dates for 2009 were decided to be April 22 thru April 25 in Lake Tahoe, Nevada.
- VI. Rudy Tarpley accepted the Western Region scrapbook and all responsibilities associated with it.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 11:25