AAEA Summer Business and Professional Improvement Meeting
August 14th, 2006, 10:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Santa Rita Experimental Range, Green Valley, AZ

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by past president, Jack Kelly

Approval of Minutes of Summer Meeting of April 7, 2006 (Rob Grumbles/Eric Norton, M/S/C)

AAEA Election Results (Tom DeGomez/Linda Masters, MSC)
- Northern Region - Rob Grumbles
- Southwest Region - Pat Clay
- Campus - Ed Martin
- Southeast Region - Kim McReynolds
- President - Jeff Schalau
- President Elect - Eric Norton
- Vice President – Kai Umeda
- Secretary - Mike Crimmins
- Treasurer - Randy Norton

Old Business

No Treasurer's Report – tabled (Rick Gibson campaign costs incurred; ~$1700)
- Dues need to be in by January, will collect by Winter meeting

NACAA meeting in Cincinnati
- 8 AZ members attended
- Rick Gibson was elected VP of NACAA (see attached report); amount of inputs fairly minimal; hospitality was family oriented; 2:1 majority in election; J. Schalau provided music in suite

Constitutional amendments
- Get amended version posted on website
- proposal to change constitution to make directors 2-year terms (staggered between regions)
- responsibilities of directors: recruitment, communications from regions, dealing with policy issues
- Rob Grumbles is chair of constitution committee and will amend to constitution

Chihuahua Trip Report by C. Jones
- AZ participation Lee Clark, Chris Jones, Rob Call, Darcy Dixon, NM extension, TX, CA, UT, NM, OR participants.

Committee Reports
- Ag/pest management: Eric Norton, no report
- Ag Economic: Trent Teegerstrom is chair, N/A
- Animal Science: Jim Sprinkle, range livestock working group meeting at CALS annual conference; range livestock nutrition schools planning for winter
- Forestry: Tom DeGomez, climate-natural resources fact sheets (2 approved, series of 6); send links of final PDFs to AAEA membership.
- Horticulture/Turf: Jack Kelly, no working group meeting at CALS annual conference, new bulletins: cactus-insect problems, CD on selecting, planting, staking of trees in English/Spanish, pruning CD developed by Jack Kelly also in development. September 22 Pecan Growers Conference in Tucson, Palo Verde Holiday Inn
- Communications: Rob Call, not in attendance
- Extension Programs: Jeff Schalau judged posters at NACAA with J. Sprinkle;
- Professional Excellence: Mary Olsen, not attending
- 4-H: Dean Fish, proposed initiative 204 information provided
- Public relations: K. McReynolds, no report
- Recognition and Awards: Achievement award from Jeff Schalau, Rob Call distinguished service awards (awards on website: AZ AAEA 3rd place award in increase in membership
- Scholarship: R. Grumbles, no report

**New Business**

**Winter meeting**
- first/second week of December
- cost of meeting incorporates dues to get University of Arizona to cover AAEA membership (check box on registration form to join AAEA; increases membership).
- 41 members to gain another voting delegate at NACAA;
- December 8th, 2006 at MAC that will cover 3-4 topics on professional development; concurrent sessions in (weed science, IPM, water).
- J. Sprinkle: expand water topic to broader natural resource topics, will entrain more participants. Suggest potential topics to planning committee headed by J. Schalau.

**Rick Gibson expenses**
- J. Sprinkle, use 2006 auction income and recent balance of around $1000 to cover $1700 in expenditures. Use CDs to reimburse?
- R. Grumbles: CD originally intended to help other western states for national meetings, Rick’s costs are appropriate under use of CDs. CD matured on July 2nd.
- Jim motioned to table discussion until after auction, tally auction funds, and check with Randy Norton. Linda Masters seconded.
- Discussion: ad hoc meeting after auction (T DeGomez)? Need to have quorum at auction to make decision?
- D. Fish suggests paying set amount of $1200 dollars to reimburse.
• L. Masters: pay as much as possible after auction?
• motion called and voted down: D. Fish motions that $1200 of costs are reimbursed to Rick after auction, seconded Mike Kilby;
• Eric Norton, how much does Rick expect in support?
• T. DeGomez; we should use funds in accounts/CDs to cover all costs.
• L. Masters, we should cover all costs.
• J. Schalau, Rick will need funds to cover upcoming hospitalities at meetings for his candidacy, should be figured in.
• Eric, amends Dean’s motion to cover all costs, Dean agrees. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm by Jeff Schalau