



PAAE Spring Western Regional Meeting

4-20-23

Minutes



CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE - The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM. Those in attendance include: Julie Schmidt, Nicolette Cuate, Laura Palmer, Dylan Clark, Joanna McKelvey, Jodie Hoover, Renee Cambuzzi, Karlie Wright, Matt Holt, Jon Seamen, Stephon Fitzpatrick, Mike Brammer, Brain Campbell, Amber Robalino and Nick Isenberg.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS & STANDING COMMITTEES

Melanie Berndtson, President - Attended the NAAE Conference, sponsored the PA Preferred Reception, continuing conversations with PDE concerning Chapter 339, attending the Ag Education Commission meetings, Attending the FFA Association and FFA Foundation meetings, attending summer conference meetings, appreciate Sherisa's committee work on the committee restructure, NAAE Early Bird registration will close July 15, NAAE Region 6 Conference will be held at the beginning of August.

Sherisa Nailor, President-Elect - Will discuss in the committee reports.

David Steinfelt, Past President - No report

Nick Isenberg, Executive Secretary - Report posted in the meeting folder.

Brian Campbell, Treasurer - Report filed in the meeting folder.

The Pennsylvania State University – Ag & Extension Education, Dr. John Ewing - Report filed in the meeting folder.

Pennsylvania FFA Association, Mr. Mike Brammer - ACES attendance was 1940, SLLC attendance was 614. Not sure what to do with ACES next year, state officer selection policy changed to if there are 25 or more candidates, rounds 1 and 2 will be virtual, state convention June 13-15, look for a few changes from the past.

PA FFA Alumni, Mrs. Sherisa Nailor - Report filed in the meeting folder.

PA FFA Foundation, Mrs. Sarah Sparks - No report

PA Ag Ed Commission for Excellence, Mr. Stephon Fitzpatrick - Provided an update on the activities of the commission, specifically supporting the Small Gas Engines BriefCASE at the PAAE Summer Conference.

PA Dept of Education, Mr. Chris Davis - No report

SAE Specialist, Mrs. Carole Fay - Report filed in the meeting folder.

Member Services Committee

Professional Improvement, Recruitment and Retention and Membership

Officer Representative: Krista Pontius - Run Across PA in April and May has begun, Kelly Bier is coordinating the PA Ag Ed Repository, Facebook group, PAAE Filling Your Cup.

Marketing Committee

Public Relations and Commercial Relations

Officer Representative: John Hines - Completed the apparel sale in the fall, Sarabeth Alderfer coordinated the goodie bags at ACES.

Strategic Planning Committee

Mission and Goals, Visions for PA Ag Ed

Officer Representative: Kayla Pohle - No report

Public Policy

Legislative Action Team and Lobbyist

Officer Representative: Laura Palmer - No report

Policies and By-laws Committee

Constitution and By-laws, Resolutions

Officer Representative: Lyndsay Wilcox - No report

Finance Committee

Budgeting and Auditing

Officer Representative: Adam Serfass - Review the 2023-2024 proposed budget.

Professional Growth Committee

Nominating, Past Presidents, Retired Ag Educators and Awards

Officer Representative: Stephen Geib - No report

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Officer Representative: Sarabeth Alderfer

2023 Summer Conference: South Central Region

Dates: July 10-13, 2023, Cumberland Valley High School

Officer Representative: Sherisa Nailor

Committee Chairperson: Darla Romberger

- Register by May 26th
- Briefcase July 13-15th - Small Gas Engines

Scholarship: Doug Brown - Pre-service teacher application due May 15th

Sunshine: Sarabeth Alderfer - Still spreading sunshine, with the assistance of Kaitlin Liszka, Krista Moser, Mary Wurzbach, and Kayla Pohle.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Structure Change - Proposal filed in the meeting folder.
Dylan Clark has agreed to fill the regional VP position vacated by Laura Palmer.
Ideas unlimited (student teachers free registration)
Virtual Update Spring Meeting, May 2, from 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WPLC is July 24 - 25 at Splash Lagoon in Erie. Regional Public Speaking is June 26th.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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