

SCACAA Executive Board Meeting
August 29, 2017
Livestock & Poultry Health, Columbia SC

Present: Alana West, Patricia Whitener, Bryan Smith, Amber Starnes, Justin Ballew, Brian Beer, Lee Van Vlake, Ryan Bean, Amy Dabbs, Lindsay Craig, Travis Mitchell, Terasa Lott, Morris Warner

Call to order: President Lee Van Vlake called the meeting to order at 10:07am.

Secretary's Report: Alana West, Secretary

- Minutes from the June 2017 board meeting were distributed via email prior to this meeting. Amy Dabbs made a motion that the minutes be accepted. Ryan Bean seconded the motion. No discussion. Minutes were approved.
- Membership Update: 85 active, 73 life

Treasurer's Report: Millie Davenport, Treasurer

- Millie could not be in attendance so she emailed her report ahead of time.
- Checking account balance: \$29862.51
- Paid from Clemson Fund for travel to NACAA in Salt Lake City:
 - Lee Van Vlake \$500
 - Amy Dabbs \$500
 - Bryan Smith \$500
- Mille could get a balance from the Clemson Fund Account from Melissa Kelly.
- The Edward Jones account has not yet been moved.
- We have not yet received refund from Field Ops for the SCACAA Banquet in Aiken in May.

Committee Reports:

- Administrative Skills-Charles Davis, no report
- Ag Issues & Public Relations-Trish DeHond, no report
- Early Career Development-Derrick Phinney, no report
- Teaching & Educational Technologies-Guinn Wallover, no report
- Ag Econ & Community Development-Brian Beer, no report
- Agronomy & Pest Management-Jay Crouch, no report
- Animal Science-Amber Starnes, no report
- Hort & Turfgrass-Justin Ballew, no report
- NR & Aquaculture-Ryan Bean, no report
- Sustainable Ag-Powell Smith, no report
- 4-H & Youth-Patricia Whitener
 - State Calendar included - *Thank you* in advance to all those agents who will be assisting 4-H agents with county, regional, and state livestock shows and fair activities. State Calendar included - www.clemson.edu/extension/4h/calendar.pdf
 - Job Openings: SC4-H is actively seeking to fill 4-H agent positions in York, Allendale, Marlboro, and Orangeburg counties. Allendale and Marlboro job descriptions list dual 4-H/Ag responsibilities.
 - Due to the efforts of Dr. Ashley Burns, Assistant Director of 4-H, the state program received a grant from Google for a Google First CS –youth in computer science program. This grant provides funds, training, and resources totaling \$50,000.
 - Director of development for CAFLS, Kim Arp, addressed the 4-H & Youth Development state program team meeting on August 16, 2017. Foundations giving can now be designated specifically for 4-H and also earmarked by county.

- On November 12-17th SC4-H state staff and agents from Beaufort, Greenville, Jasper, Pickens, and Sumter counties will be attending and presenting at the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) in Indianapolis.
- Communications-Vicky Bertagnolli, no report. Lee asked that we have more entries in the future. We need to make sure that we add ArborOne to the certificates in addition to AgSouth.
- Professional Excellence-Amy Dabbs, brings up that there were no posters from SC for judging at NACAA in Salt Lake. Amy would like to see a poster session at our state meeting. Amy challenges each team to have at least one poster for our SCACAA AM/PIC. We need to consider judges and awards. Lee Van Vlake motions that Amy puts a plan of action together for bringing this to our state meeting and have that plan presented at our next board meeting. Justin Ballew seconds the motion. No discussion. Motion passes.
- Public Relations-Terasa Lott, no report
- Recognition & Awards-Jeff Fellers, no report
- Scholarship-Cassie Wycoff, no report
- Search for Excellence-Morris Warner, no report
- Life Member-Cory Tanner, no report
- NACAA Diversity-
- Nominating-Jacob Stokes, no report
- Association Policy-Jacob Stokes
- AM/PIC-Bryan Smith, see below.
- AM/PIC Fundraising-Morris Warner, Bryan Smith sent a list of former sponsors.

Old Business:

- Award Winner Travel and Attendance at National Meeting
 - Attendees eligible for travel refunds: Lee Van Vlake, Bryan Smith, Brian Beer, Amy Dabbs, Andy Rollins, Amy Scaroni, Kim Counts Morganello
 - Reimbursed thus far: Lee Van Vlake, Amy Dabbs, Bryan Smith
- Foundation Giving Gifts
 - Lee updates new board members on how the foundation donors were given gifts for their sponsorships in the past. This faded away as we prepared for the 2012 NACAA in Charleston. Lee tells the board how they can go about donating to the SCACAA Foundation. Bryan has window decals, knives, coasters, hats, and shirts on hand now. The breakdown for gifts per donor level is in the Policy Manual. Amy ask that we remind members of how to donate.

New Business:

- NACAA did away with their first time attendee waiver and replaced it with a \$250 registration cap for first time attendees who attend within their first 10 years of employment.
- Jr. Beef Roundup Scholarship Request – The Jr Beef Round Up Committee requested sponsorship money back in early June for the SCACAA Scholarship that was given in August. Jr Beef Round Up Board has been asked to send that request by early May so that we can entertain that request at the board meeting prior to the Jr. Beef Round Up. Morris Warner motions that we donate \$500. Amy Dabbs seconds. No discussion. Motion passes.
- SCACAA Annual Meeting 2018 – Bryan Smith
 - The meeting agenda is already drafted. Will be held May 16-18 in Newberry. Flagship hotel will be the Hampton Inn in downtown Newberry. We will utilize Piedmont Tech as our meeting space. We have opted for 5 tours with 2 stops each. We will not use busses, but will carpool to the tour you want. We will utilize online registration. Online registration needs to include 1st and 2nd choice tour stops. We will tour PTCs mechatronics and vet tech programs. We are entertaining the idea of having specialist updates Thursday afternoon. Banquet will be Thursday night. We will have district director updates

Friday morning in hopes of keeping attendance up. We will consider a poster session and a retirement session. Lee states that we consider adding time for program teams to meet together.

- **Specialist Involvement – Lee Van Vlake**
Field Ops wishes for us to have more specialist participation. We have invited specialist each year, but we need to look at ways to improve this. Amy Dabbs suggests that we send a request for proposals to specialist and incentivize it by offering to pay the way of five or so. Amy amends her suggestion to say that if no Clemson specialist apply by a certain date then we open it up to extension specialist from other universities.
- **Mid-Year Meeting – Lee Van Vlake**
Lee is frustrated that out board works all year for a two day state meeting. He would like to consider a mid-year meeting/in service training/professional development/networking and social/member appreciation. Patricia Whitener would like us to consider mini-field trips/tours throughout the year. Justin Ballew seconds Patricia's idea and adds that we may could do a spotlight on a program team at each meeting. We would consider finding local sponsors for these meetings. Lee suggests rotating around to each REC for on site tours, giving time at each stop for specialists to present. The committee decides to try one per year. Lee will reach out to Trish DeHond as Chair of the Ag Issues and Public Relations to work on this. Board decides on January for this mid-year meeting. Bryan Smith motions that we move forward with this mid-year meeting letting Trish DeHond plan the meeting logistics regarding location and time. Patricia Whitener seconds the motion. No discussion. Motion passes.
- **New Agent Involvement – Lee Van Vlake**
Lee would like to focus on recruiting new agents as they are hired. Should we highlight these agents at our annual meeting? Amy Dabbs suggest some designation on their conference nametag. Patricia Whitener suggests some type of new agent scavenger hunt. Amy suggest using the time before the banquet as a meet the new agent social hour. Amy will give Bryan some resources for name tags for this purpose.
- **Replace Powell Smith as Sustainable Ag Chair – The board suggests Joey Williamson. We will approach Joey with this opportunity.**

Future Meeting Dates:

- It has been requested that we set meeting dates for the entire year so that board members can get those on their calendars and schedule around them.
 - Monday, November 27 at 10 at Newberry Extension Office
 - Wednesday, February 28 at 10 at LPH
 - Wednesday, May 16 at 10 at the Newberry Extension Office
 - Tuesday, June 19 at 10 at LPH
 - Wednesday, August 29 at 10 at LPH

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Ryan Bean. Seconded by Patricia Whitener. With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 am.