



SCACAA Board Meeting

Virtual via Zoom February 17th at 10am

Members Present – Justin Ballew, Ryan Bean, Matt Burns, Nicole Correa, Lindsay Craig, Jonathan Croft, Amy Dabbs, David Dewitt, Charley Greenthaler, Parker Johnson, Kerrie Roach, TJ Savereno, Sarah Scott, Zack Snipes, Chris Talley, Stephanie Turner, Alana West and Patricia Whitener.

Call to Order – Zack Snipes 10am

Secretary's Report – Kerrie Roach

- Justin Ballew made a motion to accept the minutes as posted to the Clemson SCACAA website, David DeWitt 2nd the motion and the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report – Justin Ballew

- Checking 40,749.33
- Ed Jones 13, 052.29
- New Debit Card... because of fraud attempt, bank stopped.
 - Alana West made a motion to accept the report as read, Ryan Bean 2nd the motion and the motion was carried.

Committee Reports

Leadership and Administrative Skills

Stephanie Turner

- 2 events – Round Table April 20th / June AIR Annual Conference
 - https://calendar.clemson.edu/event/womens_roundtable_pre-summit#.Yg5gXujMluU
 - https://calendar.clemson.edu/event/air_forum_annual_conference#.Yg5g2OjMluU

Agricultural Issues & Public Relations

Nicole Correa

- Fertilizer prices are HIGH
- Round Up shortage/ Herbicide Shortage
- Cattlemen's Assn working with processing facility issues/ shortage... LPH has list of facilities

Early Career Development

Samuel Quinney

- No Report

Teaching & Educational Technologies

Parker Johnson

- Past Topics– Social Media/Awards/Posters
- Ask membership for new ideas for 2022 – Survey
- Seasoned Agents/Mentors Sharing Ideas

Agricultural Economics & Community Dev

Brian Beer

- No Report

Agronomy & Pest Management

William Hardee

- Currently 2 open positions in the state.
- Production Mtgs and Pesticide Mtgs are in full swing.
- Annual Forestry Meeting - June 1st Leesville

Animal Science

Amber Starnes

- No Report

Horticulture & Turfgrass

Jordan Franklin

- No Report

Natural Resources & Aquaculture

TJ Savereno

- Master Tree Farmer in Process
- Women Owning Woodlands Begins Feb 22nd
- Forest Health – Sandhills, March 10th 9am - Dr. David Coyle
- SE Wildlife Expo – Brittle Bank Park – Quail Village – 2/18-2/20

Sustainable Agriculture

Adam Gore

- New book available from SARE titled “Manage Weeds on Your Farm” which focus on ecological weed control. <https://www.sare.org/resources/manage-weeds-on-your-farm/>
- If any agent is, or works with a graduate student, that is researching topics related to sustainable ag, SARE has a grant deadline of May 6, 2022: <https://southern.sare.org/grants/apply-for-a-grant/graduate-student-grants/>
- Carolina Farm Stewardship has a few webinar opportunities:
 - **Organic Growers School Holistic Crop Management Workshop Series:**
Organic Growers School is excited to bring this training opportunity to Southern Appalachia in partnership with Certified Naturally Grown. Holistic Crop Management aka CNG’s Bootcamp South, is a six-part webinar series led by local farmers and agricultural resource specialists. Growers will gain the tools to manage soil health, weeds, pests and diseases for whole-farm success. <https://www.carolinafarmstewards.org/event/holistic-crop-management-workshop-series/2022-02-15/>
 - **Navigating the GAP Audit Training**
If you plan to get GAP certified under the USDA Harmonized GAP Standard in 2022, this **FREE training series** is for you! We will take each section of the GAP audit in 1.5-hour chunks and break down, step-by-step, what you need to do to get GAP certified in this year. We will cover all the changes that became effective last May, and what we learned from helping farms get GAP certified throughout 2021. We love discussion and welcome farmers to come to the webinars with questions. <https://www.carolinafarmstewards.org/event/navigating-the-gap-audit-training-part-1-2022/>

4-H & Youth

Patricia Whitener

- See Attached Report

Communications

Sarah Scott

- Awards Deadline is March 15th
- Reminder will be sent next week
- Take time to get to know the new website
- New Regional Chair, so follow up on all applications
- Save all applications in Word first
- Scoring Rubric is Old Version

Professional Excellence

Amy Dabbs

- No Report

Public Relations

Charly McConnell

- Ag Awareness & Appreciation Award Deadline is March 15, no applications yet.

Recognition & Awards

Jeff Fellers

- Friend of Extension, Certificate of Merit & Media Award, March 15th, please submit

Scholarship

Lindsay Craig

- No Report

Search for Excellence

Ryan Bean

- Deadline March 15th

AM/PIC

David DeWitt

- Will report under ‘New Business’.

Policy and Resolutions

Alana West

- All updates have been made and are live online.

Life Member

Matthew Burns

- Nothing New, maintaining list.
- Any members who pass, please share information to Matt.

Nominating

Alana West

- Starting process for nominations of appointments that are rolling off.
- Will be sending a call for nominations out to membership before the annual meeting.

State Meeting Fund Raising

Ryan Bean

- Looking good so far, have had quite a few bites for sponsorships
- Dobbins will support joint banquet again

Old Business

- Policy Manual Updates – See Attachment
 - Updates have been made and are online
- Awards List Document – See Attachment
 - List is online
- Auditing Committee of Treasurers Books – 10/5 in Lexington
 - Took place on 10/5 and everything checked out correctly.

- SCACAA AM/PIC 2022- David DeWitt
 - See 'New Business'
- Membership Update & Drive Announcement
 - 105 Members
 - 2 New Life Members

New Business

- Professional Development Series and Awards Updates - Parker Johnson
 - In Committee Reports
- JCEP Meeting Update (Brian)
 - Florida is ready to go, and attendance is expected to be high
 - Next year Daivid
- PILD Meeting
 - Arlington VA... David is going
- NACAA AM/PIC Update
 - Hyatt & Hotel Florence (across street from each other)
 - Reminder was sent last month – Save the Date
 - Registration - \$125 / Rooms \$114
 - Deadline by April 1st
 - Wednesday – Banquet (115)
 - Thursday – Communications Awards at Lunch (Sandhills Rec), Florence Little Theatre, Taco Truck & Comedian
 - Friday – Breakfast w/ Farm Bureau, Administration Address, Business Mtg w/ Break Outs
- Salary issues/letter to Extension Senate from SCACAA (Zack)
 - Approached by various people
 - Consistency on Cost of Living, Inflation, Compression Issues
 - Zack drafted a letter
 - Discussion about current state of Extension Senate letter, support of a letter,
 - ASK other associations for support
 - Matt Burns – one-time funds have a surplus for grant funds that are non-recurring dollars/ there has been correspondence about a 'soft' hiring freeze/ worth following up with Extension Senate
 - David DeWitt moved that we form a committee charged to address member concerns over salary compression, cost of living adjustments, and inflation to move forward with Extension Senate as one voice. Jonathan Croft 2nd the motion and the motion was carried unopposed.
 - Volunteers on the Committee - Chris Talley, Ryan Bean, Lindsay, Jonathan & David DeWitt

2022 Meeting Dates

- ~~April 5, 10 AM~~ (will be moving date) – Lexington with Lunch
 - As of typing up minutes, the meeting was officially moved to **April 7th at 10am** in Lexington.

Adjourn

- David DeWitt made a motion to adjourn, Jonathan Croft 2nd the motion and the motion was carried.



February 17, 2022

4-H Youth Development committee report

SCACAA Board Members,

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, comments, concerns, schemes, zany ideas, and opportunities for shenanigans (all in the name of serving our great state through Extension programs & activities). Please take note of the following 4-H announcements:

- Welcome New 4-H Agents: Colin Crippen, Spartanburg; Deandra Cooper, Williamsburg & Freddricka who moved to the Florence position.
- School garden deliveries are going out across the state and Community & School Garden coordinator, Amy Dabbs, has been making extra efforts to include and connect 4-H with schools who have been awarded gardens through the SC Farm to School grant. Thank you, Amy!
- The search for the 4-H Program Team director was extended and is now closed. The interview process will begin. A total of 25 applications was received.

4-H programming coming up this Spring:

4-H CALENDAR **Spring 2022**

February 19 4-H Pinckney Leadership Roundup Florence, SC

February 26 4-H/SCTP Skeet Qualifier - MCGC, Clemson, Partridge Creek, PSC
Multiple locations

February TBD SC 4-H Forestry Clinic TBA

March 4-6 SCTP Border Skirmish NWTf's Palmetto Shooting Complex

March 4-6 SC 4-H Junior Weekend Camp Long, Aiken, SC

March 5 SC 4-H Junior Presentation Contest Camp Long, Aiken, SC

March 8 SC 4-H Legislative Day Columbia, SC - register through 4hOnline

March 12-13 SC 4-H Hippology and Horse Bowl Clemson, SC

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March 17 4-H Pinckney Leadership Conference (High School) Applications Due Online
March 19 4-H/SCTP Sporting Clays Moree's, Society Hill, SC
March 20-24 National 4-H Conference Washington DC
March 24 4-H Pinckney Leadership Camp (Middle School) Applications Due Online
April 1 SC 4-H Small Garden Project - Registration Deadline Online
April 2 Healthy Habits Summit - Tentative TBD
April 4 \$4 for 4-H Day Online
April 8 4-H Engineering Challenge SC State Fairgrounds; Columbia, SC
April 8-10 SCTP Southeast Regional TBA
April 15 Portfolios Due State Office
April 17-23 National Volunteers Week
April 23 4-H/SCTP State Skeet TBA
April 30 WHEP State Contest Nemours Wildlife Foundation, Yemassee, SC
May 6 Spirit of 4-H Award Nominations Due Online
May 6 Glen Krohn Volunteer Award Nominations Due Online
May 14 State Sporting Clays and Combined/Cumulative HOA Awards TBD
May 23 SC 4-H Horse Show - Registration Deadline Online

In Service,

Patricia Whitener

4-H Youth Development

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