

NCACAA Board Meeting
August 17, 2020
Zoom meeting
10:00am

Call to Order: Dalton Dockery called the meeting to order. 42 attended the meeting.

Secretary's Report/Minutes: The minutes from the April 17, 2020 meeting were emailed to the Board by Amanda Hatcher prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Paul McKenzie and seconded by Andy Burlingham to approve the minutes as presented; the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Joanna Radford provided a report of the treasurer accounts prior to the board meeting (attached). Joanna added that a pending registration reimbursement is expected of \$205.

Trust Fund Report: Lenny Rogers provided a report of the trust fund accounts prior to the board meeting (attached). Lenny introduced Les Stewart with Southeast Retirement Planners. Lenny worked with Les on the trust funds. Les reported an expectation of 3-4% return with possibly 5% rate later. Les also shared how events affect the stock market. Overall, the trust funds are in a good position. Since Lenny is retiring, Seth Nagy will take over as Trust Fund Chair. Lenny added that there is approximately \$3,928 to go towards awards needs for this year. Seth's goal is to help the trust accounts to continue to do well.

2020 State Meeting: Thanks were given to everyone who helped make the state meeting a success, with hopes to return to the West District at a later time.

2020 Sponsorship Report: Paul McKenzie provided a report prior to the board meeting (attached). Paul added that he will confirm funds received with Joanna. Sunbelt and NC Beekeepers had to withdraw as sponsors this year due to revenue losses. Stacey Jones thanked Paul for his diligence.

2020 President Update: Dalton reported that the Southern Regional Director will be with us on Thursday. Voting delegates for the national meeting will be: Molly Sandfoss (President Elect), Paul McKenzie (Vice-President), Tom Hroza (Southeast District), Mart Bumgarner (North Central District), Eli Snyder (West Central District), Kelsey Lichtenwalner (Northeast District), Colby Lambert (South Central District), Steve Pettis (West District). Dalton will be in touch with the delegates prior to the national meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Ag Economics & Community Development – no report
- Agronomy & Pest Management – no report
- Animal Science – no report
- Horticulture & Turf Grass – no report
- Natural Resources/Aquaculture – no report
- Sustainable Ag – no report
- Leadership/Administrative Skills – Paul Westfall – Paul submitted a report prior to the meeting (attached). Paul commended everyone for their adaptability. Paul plans to retire effective November 1 and will be stepping down as state chair. Dalton will defer an appointment to Molly since she will be President then.

- Ag Issues & Public Relations – Paul McKenzie – Paul reminded the Board about the National Outstanding Young Farmer award with an October 5 deadline for entries. The link to the award is <http://otafraternity.org> and added there have been discussions about moving toward a state level for this award as a component of our awards program. He plans to step down as he moves into new leadership roles.
- Early Career Development – Danny Lauderdale – Danny has put together a video that is posted on the NCACAA website and YouTube, also has been sent to new agents. (See attached report) Danny will be moving into national chair position and is planning to step down as state chair but is willing to stay on if Molly cannot find a replacement.
- Teaching & Edu. Tech. – no report
- 4-H & Youth – no report
- Communications – no report
- Professional Excellence – no report
- Public Relations – Tyrone Fisher – Tyrone is moving into a national chair position which he will start immediately because the former chair is retiring prior to the national meeting.
- Recognition & Awards – Nelson Brownlee – DSA, AA, and Young Agent winners will be recognized at the state meeting.
- Scholarship – no report; however, Dalton reported that Stanley has retired and we will need a new chair for this committee.
- Search for Excellence – Leslie Rose – sent report prior. Thank you to Amy-Lynn Albertson and Allison Brown for their help with awards.
- Life Member – Stacey Jones – Stacey will add Stanley Holloway and Taylor Williams. She has note of five life members who have passed, and will pass these names onto Joanna. She has passed along information of our virtual meeting to the life members, along with the invitation for our virtual social hour.
- Benevolence – Joanna Radford – sent report prior. Joanna will remind members on Wednesday to let her know of benevolence needs.
- Constitution & ByLaws – Becky Spearman – Let her know if any updates need to be made as policy is reviewed.
- Internal Communications – Will Strader – 150 are registered for the virtual state meeting as of this morning. Will told the Board that John Dorner will no longer be helping our association with registration for free. This is our first year of using G Suite, and it is working well for registration. The consensus was to keep using G Suite moving forward.
- Membership Services – no report
- Trust Fund – nothing further
- Youth Scholarship – Tiffanee Conrad – There are 4 youth scholarship winners this year but they cannot join us for the meeting as they are in school.
- Nominating Committee – Randy Wood – previously sent in. Officers will be elected at business meeting and the installation will follow.

2021 state meeting: Tyrone Fisher and Paul Westfall are meeting co-chairs. The theme will be “Together Again” and take place in Durham County. Softball will come by and plans are to play at the old Durham Bulls stadium. The YouTube link for the meeting can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eUaEx972i6U>

2020 national meeting: Lenny reported that the national meeting will begin Monday, September 28 at 10am with regional meetings with a voting delegate session that afternoon. Opening session is planned for Tuesday with the majority of meeting planned to include presentations from members. A general closing

will take place Thursday. There is no registration cost this year. Lenny added he plans to retire effective October 1 but will plan to handle NACAA treasurer responsibilities through the end of the year.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20am.