NCACAA Board Meeting
May 19, 2016
Collaborate Session
10:00am

Call To Order: Paul Westfall called the meeting to order at 10:04am. Fifteen agents signed on to join the session; Paul Westfall, Will Strader, Allison Brown, Amanda Taylor, Amy-Lynn Albertson, Cyndi Lauderdale, Daniel Shires, Danny Lauderdale, Erin Eure, Jamie Warner, Kathryn Holmes, Mark Danieley, Matt Stevens, Silas Brown, Travis Birdsell.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the February 19th Collaborate Board Meeting were emailed to the group ahead of time. The only correction needed was to fix the spelling of Dr. Bonanno's name. It was moved by Amanda Taylor and seconded by Allison Brown that the corrected minutes be accepted. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mark Danieley reported that as of May 2, 2016 there was $21,637.35 in the checking account; $12,071.46 in the money market and $30.47 in the shares. He also stated that there will be some additional JCEP expenses that have not come through yet. It was moved Silas Brown and seconded by Daniel Shires to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. The motion carried.

Trust Fund Report: Lenny Rogers was unable to join the session. There was no Trust Fund Report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Red Jacket: Tyrone Fisher emailed an update on the Red Jackets. All 12 have been paid for and have arrived. He will bring them to the State Board Meeting in June for everyone to try on. He is working with a taylor to embroider them between the State Board Meeting and the State Meeting Banquet so that they may be presented during the Red Jacket Ceremony at the banquet. If the taylor is unable to do this, they will still be presented at the banquet, then recollected so Tyrone can get them embroidered and get them back to everyone before the National Meeting in July. The Board was asked to decide how the jackets should be embroidered on the left chest pocket. It was moved by Amanda Taylor and seconded by Travis Birdsell to embroider the jackets with the name on top, followed by the position and year. Example:
John Doe
NCACAA President '97
The motion passed.

AM/PIC Proposed Use of CES Funds for AM/PIC: Shawn Banks was unable to join the session; however, he has been working with some other agents to put together a proposal to Dr. Melton on how best to use $5,000 to help agents interested in presenting at AM/PICs get to those meetings. The proposal will be ready to be presented at the June State Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

NCCEAPA Funding Request: It was moved by Travis Birdsell and seconded by Allison Brown to sponsor the 2016 NCCEAPA State Meeting in the amount of $1,000. The motion passed. Mark Danieley will send the check.

By-Laws and Constitution Change: Will Strader stated that there had been a discrepancy in the wording of our current constitution and by-laws that made it harder to change our by-laws than our constitution. In order to fix this, the Constitution and By-Law Committee made a few suggested changes to the wording of the two documents. In the matter of our By-Laws, Will Strader made a motion which

was seconded by Cyndi Lauderdale to propose the following changes to our by-laws at the June 21st State Board Meeting in Nags Head:

NCACAA By-Laws Article VII – Amendments

Proposed change:
SECTION 1. These Bylaws may be amended, revised or repealed at any Annual ***or Special*** Meeting of the North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents by an affirmative vote of the ***majority*** of the members present, provided an exact copy of the proposed change or changes has been mailed or electronically mailed by the Secretary of the Association not less than thirty (30) days prior to the opening date of said Annual ***or Special*** Meeting, to each member of the Association.

SECTION 2. All amendments or revisions so made shall go into effect immediately ***unless other timeline is set in the motion***. All members shall be notified promptly by the North
Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents' Secretary of the action taken at the Annual Meeting.

Current wording:
SECTION 1. These Bylaws may be amended, revised or repealed in any Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided an exact copy of the proposed change or changes has been mailed or electronically mailed by the Secretary of the Association not less than thirty (30) days prior to the opening date of said Annual Meeting, to each member of the Association.

SECTION 2. All amendments or revisions so made shall go into effect immediately. All members shall be notified promptly by the North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents' Secretary of the action taken at the Annual Meeting.

The motion passed. Notice will be given in the minutes 30 days prior to the June 21st State Board Meeting.

In the matter of our Constitution, Will Strader made a motion that was seconded by Amanda Taylor to propose the following changes to our Constitution at the June 21st State Board Meeting in Nags Head:

NCACAA Constitution Article X - Amendments

Proposed change:
SECTION 1. This Constitution ~~**and Bylaws**~~ which ~~**are**~~ ***is*** now adopted or may hereafter be adopted, may be amended, revised or repealed at any Annual or Special Meeting of this Association by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting provided that a proper and sufficient notice of that proposed changes, revisions or repeals has been mailed or electronically mailed by the North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents Secretary to the members not less than thirty (30) days prior to the opening date of said Annual or Special Meeting.

SECTION 2. All amendments or revisions so made shall go into effect immediately.

Current wording:
SECTION 1. This Constitution and Bylaws which are now adopted or may hereafter be adopted, may be amended, revised or repealed at any Annual or Special Meeting of this Association by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting provided that a proper and sufficient notice of that proposed changes, revisions or repeals has been mailed or electronically mailed by the North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents Secretary to the members not less than thirty (30) days prior to the opening date of said Annual or Special Meeting.

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The motion passed and notice will be given in the minutes 30 days prior to the June 21st State Board Meeting.

Support for JCEP and PILD: Paul Westfall stated that as long as the budget allows for it, support can be provided to two JCEP delegates and two PILD delegates each year. Usually, 2 male state officers or 2 female state officers are given priority. If state officers are unable to go, then it is opened to other board members.

Delegates to Am/PIC: North Carolina needs 7 voting delegates for the Little Rock AM/PIC. Paul will serve as one and will check with the Vice Directors in each district. Shawn Banks can serve as a voting delegate if needed.

State's Night Out: Matt Stevens will check with Scott Hawbaker to see how many agents from NC have registered for AM/PIC. He is still checking out a few things for the group to do. There may be the possibility of attending a baseball game.

Awards Programs:
Search for Excellence – Winners were emailed to the membership.

Communications – Winners were emailed to the membership.

Youth Scholarship – Tiffanee Conrad emailed her report and Will Strader read her report to the group. In her report she stated that 7 youth applied for the college scholarship this year. The four winners are Justin Scott-Banks, Abigayle Fogarty, Lawson Pollard, and Elizabeth Thornton. Justin and Lawson will attend the State Meeting banquet. Tiffanee also asked the board to provide input on all the time that is wasted emailing, phoning and texting youth and agents to make sure that they follow up with her and answer correspondence after finding out that they have won the scholarship. She has struggled to get some to answer and suggested that if they do not answer within 2 weeks, then the scholarship will be forfeited and given to the next person in line as far as points go. It is the hope that this will motivate quick responses that are sometimes needed for her to meet deadlines. It was moved by Will Strader and seconded by Daniel Shires that if youth scholarship winners do not provide answers to the scholarship chair's correspondence within two weeks, then their scholarship will be forfeited and given to the next person in line based on points. After some discussion and since there were a few question for Tiffanee, it was moved by Cyndi Lauderdale and seconded by Travis Birdsell to table the vote on the first motion until the June 21st State Board Meeting. That motion passed and this will be discussed further in June.

Young Farmers and Ranchers – If you can think of any young farmers or ranchers that are deserving of this award, please nominate them. More information about this award can be found on the NACAA website.

2016 State Meeting Update: Matt Stevens gave a brief update on the 2016 State Meeting in Nags Head. 85 agents have already registered and a total of 115 people have registered which includes life members, children and spouses. If you haven't registered, please do so by June 1st for the early bird rates. Make your reservations directly through the hotel and talk to Jamie or Audri in the sales department, they have helped several agents. You have until May 22nd to lock in the lower price with our block of rooms.

State Committee Reports:
Horticulture and Turf: Cyndi Lauderdale announced that the Lewis Howe Award is online so please consider applying for it. You can find the information on the NACAA Website. She also thanked everyone for their support and said that she would be the new South Eastern Vice Director for Horticulture on the National Level. Congratulations to Cyndi!

Life Members: Still vacant. Please talk to some of the Life Members that you know and let Paul know if they would be interested in serving in this Chair position.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Brief district reports were given. For more information on what is going on in a particular district, visit their webpage or contact a member.

Future Meeting Dates:

June 21, 2016 – State Board Meeting in Nags Head, Ramada Inn at 7:00pm
June 21-23, 2016 – NCACAA State Meeting, Nags Head
July 24-28, 2016 – NACAA National Meeting, Little Rock, AK

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amy-Lynn Albertson stated that Federation is proposing that we have our 2016 Forum and Federation Meeting during annual conference, either right before or right after.

With no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Will Strader and seconded by Travis Birdsell. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jamie D. Warner