

VAAE Zoom Meeting Agenda 4/29/2020

I. Roll Call by Secretary Tiffany Anderson

- Amanda Ashton
- Andy Seibel x
- Casey Davis
- Christy Huffman-Kerr x
- Cindy Green x
- Dan Swafford x
- Dani Gauden Hodges x
- Jonathan Grimes x
- Jonathan Wood x
- Kate Hawkins
- Kendall Rogers x
- Mandy Curry x
- Mindy McCroskey
- Sarah Jo Jones x
- Susan Hilleary x
- Tiffany Anderson
- Alison Jones x
- Brandon Strosnider x
- Teresa Lindberg x
- LaVeta Nutter x
- Jessica Jones x

II. Adoption of the agenda

- Motion:
- 2nd:
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III. Minutes of the last meeting/quorum/notes-Tiffany

- Motion to move and approve -
- 2nd:
- **Will be send as a group to approve and then post on website

Goals for this Zoom Meeting:

1. Summer Conference

Do we officially cancel the conference? I have had a couple of people who were scheduled to be presenters but have cancelled due to the coronavirus. I was waiting to reply until I got confirmation on exactly what we are going to do.

Cindy Green - Her area (Central) was very vocal. Majority said cancel over the summer, face to face. Would like to see some type of virtual conference for certification or recertification categories. Other topics included Social Media to really give your Ag Program PR by Mark Moran (glad to run it). Spotsylvania would like to see a Flipped classroom professional development. Hold on any elections for now until next year.

Dani Hodges - Virtual conference. Her county is requiring some type of PD and documentation so something specific to Ag would be beneficial.

Teresa- National is putting out a lot of virtual PD. When the link is shared she will pass along to the listserve.

LaVeta - Sending out the Monday Morning Monitor and it includes PD information links within that email. She thinks it's Tuesdays around 1pm. Sent a list of resources, Tuesday April 28, for Ag teachers across the State especially for Plant Science Pathway. There are some for teaching virtually, etc. Should we not go back to school we need as much PD to get ready for that possibility to be prepared then not to be. Check that sight.

Dan - Are we allowed to host PD? Thought we were not after leaving the last meeting....
LaVeta: VDOE will not provide any funding over the summer for PD.... Teresa: If the hotel doesn't let us out of the contract we are stuck with the rooms that we booked....
Sarah: Sounds like we have to cancel the physical conference whether they let us out of contract or not.... So what are the costs, how do we recuperate loss?

Suggested to negotiate with hotel to hold Winter or next years... what we owe right now: contracted for 64 rooms at 94 per night x 3 and to spend 9,000 on banquet.... We have offered to move it to 2021... Hotel is not legally responsible to let us out of contract due to after June 10 restriction.... We have paid them almost 3,000 so far.

Andy was told to cancel the contract previously so a motion is not needed for it to carry.

Teresa is going to tell conference presenters it has been cancelled and looking to be in Suffolk next year.

2. Nominations for NAAE/VAAE awards.

Remember VP's you need to have the nominees by tomorrow's meeting. I have the nomination letter, once you send me the nominations I can send you the letter.

Some people have already sent in. Please try to get nominations by tomorrow, Thursday.

Christy - push recognition to next conference and just announce both during that time

Susan - yes, bumping a year seems to make sense at this point

It Stands for now! ... Maybe get a picture and post on a webpage.

3. Discuss the possibility of sponsorship.

Is it a good idea to pursue?

Asking for different levels of membership.... What do they get if they donate?

Tiered levels to show how much and what? Maybe work with Jennifer.

VAAE is not a 501C, we are a 501C5 which means we can engage in Political lobbying. Moving toward the foundation so that the companies that sponsor us can get a tax deduction letter.

Motion: Sarah Jo Jones

2ND: Susan Hillerary

Motion Passed!

4. Moving forward nominations/elections for officers.

Each VP is to bring forth their nominations from their areas to the meeting tomorrow.

President elect?

State Secretary?

VACTE rep?

VAAE Area VP?

VAAE Area Sec?

Cindy: Suggested to keep slate right now..... Sarah Jo: Area has not met yet..... Dani: Area has none and with no communication we should wait to when people are together.... Right now we are only taking nominations.....

The only officer that the majority elects is President Elect (Blue Ridge must nominate... at this time they have not met; should be in a few weeks).....the rest are area elections/nominations

Had people say they thought they may be interested in current positions but nothing set in stone.... Andy suggested we need to hold off until later; summer.

Send out on listserv about Areas will be seeking nominations... potential to get more input and more people aware.

5. Other concerns?

NONE!

Andy offered to set up Area Meetings for everyone.

Speaking events will be held using virtual platform... will be week of or week before Convention

Sarah Jo did speak to Germinate from Ag Teacher How To's.... We could potentially do that later in the Fall or whenever later.

NEXT MEETING: MAY 18 AT 8:30AM..... AWARD APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 15.....

Teresa to look at and then send out and just get it done....