

1. **Call to Order.** \_\_\_\_\_ Brian Fisher \_\_\_\_\_ called to order the VAAE Executive Committee meeting on **19th, September, 2014** at **Church of the Brethren in Staunton, VA**, at **12:30 PM**. The following members were present:

Brian Fisher

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Sarah Scyphers

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Ron Byrd

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Elizabeth Duncan

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Howard Hill

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Katie Reames

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Clint Jones

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Anne Rowe

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2. **Officer/Executive Director Reports.**

VACTE REP -Katie Reames reported that the VACTE Board meeting was August 12<sup>th</sup> The Region II conference is 25-26<sup>th</sup> of September. All teacher associations were asked for a \$1000 donation and gift baskets to help fund their budget and help with advocacy. Decision for VAAE to contribute was tabled.

President elect- Katie Reames provided brief update on The Annual Conference to be held in Fredericksburg or Culpeper. There will be further details provided later, and the spring VAAE meeting will be used to plan the Summer Conference.

President- Brian Fisher reported on the organizational needs assessment sent out on 9/18 to help decide what can be done to help provide teachers with new resources and professional development workshops. The workshop will be based on the results of the needs assesment. There will be a VSU

Meeting, Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of looking at potential possibilities for professional development..

Appalachian Area Vice President Sarah Scyphers reported the Area has not held their Area, is set for October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and will be held in conjunction with the Area Contests.

Southside Area Vice President Elizabeth Duncan reported the Area had their COLT and Area meeting and the attendance was around 100 students and teachers.

Eastern Area Vice President reported the Area meeting will be October 8<sup>th</sup>, their Leadership Conference will be held with VSU, but there will be no contests held. The majority of the chapters will participate in the State Fair.

Central Area reported that their Area Meeting and Colt was held at Powhatan High School and over 100 students attended.

### **3. Unfinished Business.**

Discussion was held about promoting VAAE membership. Ron Byrd reminded everyone to let other know about the insurance policy, regarding the umbrella of coverage provided, to help with promoting VAAE membership. The new teachers need to be informed of what the purpose of the organization, and its purpose.

Anne Rowe provided up date with the teaching teams for the curriculum teams and revamping. , needing help to rework the entire curriculum, Katie Reames moved to assign each Area Vice President one of the classes that was in need of review by as follows: Central Area---Forestry, Northern-----Intro to Ag, Appalachian---Biological, Eastern---Special Abilities, Southside---Outdoor Recreation. Sarah Scyphers Seconded. Motion Carried.

### **4. New Business.**

Donna Rudd gave update and discussed tentative schedule for the Winter Conference. The Conference has been a success in the past. Friday night will be the awards night. The conference will be at the Holiday Inn on 225 in Staunton, December 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. Three main topics will be Vet Science, Greenhouse Production, and Mechanics. Will try to end at 4 on Saturday. Open dialogue forums. Goal will be to build relationships between entry level teachers and the more experienced teachers. Winter In-service registration and cost of membership- Check with Debbie Price. Donna Westfell-Rudd will email prices out at later time. Registration for the conference will be through Virginia Tech.

The Spring Meeting was tentatively set for April 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> at the Staunton Church of the Bretheran.

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**5. Adjournment.**

There being no further business, \_\_\_\_\_ Katie Reames \_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ Sarah Scyphers \_\_\_\_\_ seconded to adjourn the VAAE Executive Committee meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ 230 \_\_\_\_\_ PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Clint Jones \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ VAAE State Secretary \_\_\_\_\_.

Reviewed and approved by \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.