

IVATA Executive Committee and Committee Chair Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2006
College of Southern Idaho, Sub 247

Members present: Allison Touchstone, President; Brian Wolf, President-Elect; Amy Nichols, Secretary; Erica Whitmore, Secretary-Elect; Alan Heikkila, Executive Treasurer; Robert Hale, Dr. Lou Riesenber, Dr. Ledington, Sam Condie, Stacey Winn, Steve Braun, Ron Corbett, Tom Clifton, Kyle Stapleton, Jason Nettleton, Nathan Lowe.

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by president Allison Touchstone.

Allison reviewed National Ag Ed In-Service meeting goals with members.

Reviewed upcoming summer conference planning grid:

- Brian Wolf handed out committee assignments
- Alan Heikkila handed out membership forms
- District Directors will be in charge of accepting nomination for president-elect, secretary-elect and CTEI representative.
- Lunch on Tuesday there will be a presentation by the Mule Deer Foundation.
- Had discussion about IVATA Social Dinner and the costs associated. Steve Braun moved and Sam Condie seconded that was charge \$5 per person.
- CTEI report was given by Robert Hale. Breakfast Thursday morning \$2/plate. Orientation and leadership training on Sept. 12 in Gooding.
- Erica Whitmore suggested that we have district meetings Wednesday after committee reports.
- Vendor fair will be Wednesday from 8-4. We will shorten session 5 so that we have time to visit the booths.
- Shawn Dygert gave his legislative report and PTE committee report.

Allison adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

IVATA SUMMER CONFERENCE 2006

Session One, Herrett Center, CSI Campus

Officer Present: Allison Touchstone, President; Amy Nichols, Secretary; Alan Heikkila, Executive Treasurer; Brian Wolf, President-Elect; Erica Whitmore, Secretary-Elect.

10:05 a.m. Allison Touchstone, President opened and welcome. Introduced Dr. Mike Rush, Director of State Division of Professional Technical Education; brought greetings, introduced Allison as new Program Director of Agricultural Education and Glen Orthel Director of Certification and Professional Development, addressed the importance and success of agricultural education programs.

Allison introduced IVATA Officers and reviewed the schedule grid for the week and changes, session 5 will run from one to two and then the break will be from two to three to enable members to attend the vendor displays.

Allison introduced Jim Summers, herdbook chairman, for seating of the neophytes. Herdbook committee members: Mr. Braun, Mr. Hance, Mrs. Hopkins, and Tom McHargue. Neophyte seating of all new incoming teachers: Melissa Coles, Jake Zollinger, Tom Jacobsen, Cody Park, Erin Anglen, Weston Cain, Brandon Hoxie, Tyson Smith, Melissa Asay, Charlie Finlan, Randy Brown, Cody Porath, Will Zollman, Amanda Moore-Kriwox, Mark Garner, Pat Dixon. Mr. Summers proceeded with a herdbook report.

Allison introduced Dr. Ledington for meal counts. Ten year luncheon: 33, awards breakfast. Tom Clifton explained the IVATA Social and costs of \$5 per person, count of 97.

CALS Welcome -- Dr. Lou Riesenberg, Department Head of Agriculture and Extension Education. Lou handed out directory information to district directors to be completed and handed in. Addressed summer in-service conference and count is needed to how many will be participating. Dr. Lori Moore addressed issue of hiring more department faculty; hopefully one will be hired and ready for fall employment. Amanda Moore-Kriwox, talked about in-service in Filer.

On welcomed and introduced Dr. Foltz, Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs from the U or I. Visited about scholarships and world hunger program service program. He introduced Kim Nelson, Director of Student Recruitment, she wanted feedback on activities that were scheduled for students at State CDE's, would like us to complete information sheet for Ag Ambassadors, and addressed Ag Days. Dr. Foltz readdressed U of I housing with the State CDE's and he is still working on details with the university.

Dr. Mel Dewsnup, BYU-Idaho talked to members about existing program and that it will continue to grow.

Terry Patterson, Department Head of Agriculture, College of Southern Idaho. Talked about dual credit between some ag science classes and CSI.

Robert Hale, CTEI Report. Benefits: teaching development grants for \$500 each, and leadership training. We need a new CTEI representative.

Alan Heikkila, Executive Treasurer. Discussed membership and dues.

Shawn Dygert, Legislative Liaison for IVATA and PTE Committee for High School Reform.

Dr. Ledington, presented Program Manager Report.

Brian Wolf went over committee assignment and handed out packets to committee chairpersons.

Door prizes were given out and we adjourned for lunch at noon.

Wednesday, June 28, 2006

Session Five

All officers present.

Allison opened the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Jack Blattner, Career Development Events committee chairperson, discussed revision updates. All updates and those working on corrections need to get them into Lou, asap. Discussion was held about existing rules that all participants that will be on campus, must pay the college insurance, what should be done in the event that judges forget to show up to judge preliminary contests such as creed, should we accept the new rule that students can not in agricultural mechanics and forestry CDE's at state contests. Motion was passed that we will not put in a new general rule into the CDE's that students may not participate in both agricultural mechanics and forestry.

Joe Blackstock talked about parliamentary procedure revisions and how to work out the scoring. We will remove rule 10 that states we will throw out the high and low judges score. Braun moved that the judge's scorecards be made available for the advisors, seconded and passed unanimously.

Jim Summers discussed agricultural mechanics revisions. Motion passed to add ten minutes to each rotation.

Joe Blackstock moved that we drop the points for plants disorders from ten to five. Passed unanimously.

Blattner opened the floor for discussion on the livestock CDE. Motion passed that we keep the rule stating that there would be three swine judging class and instead of questions, there will be reasons, rotating through the species.

Motion was made by Sue Poland that we demote the scrapbook contest to only a display. Motioned failed. Steve Braun made the motion that we postpone the motion until Friday morning for further debate. Motion carried.

We recessed at 2:00 p.m.

RECESS

Allison reconvened at 3:00 p.m. Door prizes then Larin Crossley took nominations for officers-elect. Richard Dozier for president-elect, Lori Harrison secretary-elect, Jana Volkers for secretary-elect.

Jim Summers proceeded with a herdbook report.

Committee Reports:

- Audit and Budget-Kyle Stapleton. Report was accepted as read.
- Curriculum Committee-Erica Whitmore. Report was accepted as read.
- FFA Relations-Joe Blackstock. Report was accepted as read.
- Professional Improvement and Exchange –Nathan Lowe. Report was accepted as read.
- CDE Committee report was accepted as presented.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

IVATA AWARDS BREAKFAST

Friday, June 30, 2006

8:00 a.m. SUB Building , CSI

All officers present.

Allison Touchstone, President, called the meeting to order and breakfast was served.

Steve Braun presented herdbook report.

Allison introduced Larry Booth, Boise Norco and Wade Rasp, Twin Falls Norco. They presented the Norco Inspirational Teacher Award to Jim Roland, Bonners Ferry.

Erica presented door prizes.

Amy Nichols presented year pins awards, 30-minute club and progeny awards. Allison presented IVATA awards, new young member Mr. Justin Patten and outstanding ag ed teacher, Allison Touchstone. Allison reinforced the importance of submitting IVATA award applications for NAAE.

Dr. Riesenbergs and Dr. Moore presented cooperating teachers with their student teacher name plates.

Allison welcomed Mr. Summers, herdbook chair for more herdbook report and screw up of the year. Herdbook committee nominated Shane Stockham as president-elect.

Allison recessed for ten minutes at 9:25 a.m.

RECESS

Allison reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

Wade Rasp introduced Wade Pickett and Brad Wilamut from Lincoln presented more of their curriculum that they have developed. The information is on-line through the National FFA Organization. Another website with educational materials is jflf.org.

Committee Reports:

- FFA Public Relations and Legislative Committee-Sam Condie. Report was accepted as read.
- CDE Committee-Heather Hopkins represented information on the scrapbook. Changes were accepted as read.

Allison thanked and presented Dr. Ledington for his service as program manager of agricultural education.

Larin Crossley accepted more nominations for IVATA officers. Nominations are president-elect: Shawn Dygert and Shane Stockham. Secretary-elect: Jana Volkers and Lori Harrison. CTEI Rep: Holly Church Shane Stockham declined his nomination. Votes were taken. 2006-2007 officers-elect: Shawn Dygert, president elect; Jana Shopbell, secretary-elect.

Alan Heikkila led discussion. Motion was made to leave the advisors directory on-line. Motion passed.

Allison passed the gavel to Brian Wolf 2006-2007 IVATA President. Brian thanked Allison for her year of service as president.

Amanda Moore-Kriwox talked about in-service in July.

Brian adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

IVATA Public Relations & Legislative Action Committee
2006

Sam Condie, Chair

Minutes from committee meeting

Members in attendance at the meeting:

Sam Condie	Janna Volkers	Blaine Campbell
Bruce Koon	Kevin Wells	Buck Wright
Rick Hance	Shawn Dygert	Vince Wray
Tom Walker	Stuart Nesbitt	Jon Hogge
Heather Hopkins	Bill Dean	Jason Tindall
Cami Schumann		

1. Review and make a recommendation regarding involvement with Food Producers of Idaho membership and who will be representing IVATA at the meetings.
 - a. Motion made by Janna Volkers to continue to be a Food Producers member.
 - b. Rick Hance second
 - c. Discussion- Kevin Wells- "What does it do for us as Ag teachers?"
Shawn Dygert- "They give us huge support as a PR tool, sponsorship, legislative lobbying, and our PTE budget usually goes through without a hitch with their help."
 - d. Amendment made by Bruce Koon that Allison attends meetings as available.
 - e. Vote- amended motion passes
 - f. Vote- main motion passes

2. Review and make recommendation regarding the Bright Spots program (Rick Waitley was in charge last year).
 - a. Should we continue? Feedback?
 - b. Motion made by Rick Hance to continue, with follow up and getting feedback from the legislative end.
 - c. Motion made for Sam Condie to be in charge of follow up
 - d. Vote- motion #1 passes
 - e. Vote- motion #2 passes

3. Agenda item number 3 was eliminated from the list.

4. Review and recommend any pending or upcoming legislation.
 - a. School reform issues- Supporting Dr. Rush
 - b. Discussion- overview of reform policy by Shawn Dygert.
PTE being on the front running of working with legislators to solve problems.
 - c. Motion made by Vince Wray to refer to professional development committee regarding science and other endorsements. Finding opportunities and encouragement for those without to receive it.

- d. Motion second by Bruce Koon.
 - e. Discussion by Dr. Riesenberg regarding Biology endorsement requirements.
 - f. Motion made by Shawn Dygert to continue focus on PTE document of school reform. Committee will support IVATA in those efforts.
 - g. Vote- motion passes.
5. Review and recommend action of press releases for FFA Events (State Office was responsible last year).
 - a. Agreed by committee to continue as is.
6. Recommend any public relations actions that should be taken by IVATA.
 - a. Thank you's to sponsors, fish and game, meals, North and South Magic Valley Districts and any one else involved in meals and arrangements, CSI, Door prizes, and trap shoot. Get them to Erica Whitmore by Friday.
 - b. Recommended that the skeet shoot be an annual event wherever conference is held.
7. Recommend chapter action and involvement in Bright Spots.
 - a. Recommended to combine this with item number 2.
8. Review work form last year.
 - a. Discussion- Community chapter involvement- ex. Do chapter birthdays, etc. Include these things in POAs.
9. Thank you to Food Producers and Rick Waitley.
 - a. Discussion- both of these get good "mileage" out of us and vice versa. Thank you sent by Erica Whitmore to Waitley and associates.
10. Will Idaho FFA budget the monies for the Hall of State Booth at the 2007 National FFA Convention in 2007. (Roger Wells)
 - a. Recommended to send to executive committee for action.
11. Select Chair for 2007.
 - a. Nomination for Jon Hogge
 - b. Second
 - c. Passed

IVATA

Professional Improvement and Ideas Unlimited Committee

Committee Members Present

Nathan Low (Chair)	Devin Hafer	Pat Dixon
Alan Schoen	Cody Porath	Joe Burrie
Randy Hillman	Pat Kolbet	Lee Hollingsworth
Tyson Smith		

1. Recommend areas of interest for Oct. 2006 In-service.

The committee recommends that the Oct. in-service days be dedicated to an exchange of Ideas for the CAERT curriculum, to include hands on use of the software and lesson planning. The feeling of the committee is that some advisors will be much better at the use and implementation of the CAERT information and could share those ideas with the whole.

2. Recommend tours and areas of interest for Summer conference 2007 in Lewiston.

The committee felt that a committee of local advisors in the Lewiston area would be better suited for this area. Devin Hafer nominated Steve Brawn to chair this committee it was unanimously approved.

3. Recommend in-service areas for July 2007.

Recommended areas for July 2007 in-service are the following:

- Metal ID
- Forestry workshop
- Training for Oral Reasons
- Hydraulics
- Fountain Construction
- Electricity- to include Exchange of Ideas

4. Rank and Place Applicants for Ideas Unlimited.

June Playfair 1st place
Justin Patten 2nd place

5. Submit recommendations for exchange of Ideas.

The committee recommends that all teachers submit Ideas. The more the better. We would like to remind the old and new teachers that there is a cash prize of \$50

for the winning applicant. In agreement with the Curriculum committee the Exchange of Ideas committee recommends that the IVATA set aside one hour of time for an Ideas unlimited Expo. This expo should include both the new applicants as well as old ideas implemented by other teachers. Each exhibitor would provide hand outs and or pictures and be available for discussion during that time.

6. The 2007 Committee chair will be Erika Cowman.

IVATA Curriculum Committee-2006

Attendees: Erica Whitmore, Kendrick, Chair

Will Zollman, Clearwater Valley

Mike Tesnohlidek, Fruitland

Shane Stockham, Buhl

Gordon Gillman, Marsh Valley

Marvin Heimgartner, U of I

Jack Garrett, Midvale

Galen Colter, Fairfield

Ron Corbett, Shelley

Lou Riesenberg, U of I

Carl Jones,

The committee discussed potential projects for the upcoming year. All the money available at this time is being put towards CAERT Curriculum project for all of our programs. The committee brainstormed ideas for courses to be developed if funds become available for curriculum, lab science lessons, and in-service projects.

Review:

- **Aquaculture???** Put on hold until the whole CAERT project has been completed.
- **All the State Division and University of Idaho funds** are being put towards CAERT to lower the cost for each of our programs.

Recommendations:

- **A program that was used in college** was inquired about, called Fish Farm. There is interest to see if that can be found and brought back so you could utilize it in your classroom for (wildlife, Ag Business, Aquaculture).
- **Metal Identification:** have the U of I create it

CAERT Curriculum:

- 1) **Are programs participating?** We felt they were and approximately 85%-90% of the programs are involved with it.
- 2) **Reminder for teachers to put money back in** for next years CAERT projects.

In-Service recommendation for 2007:

- 1) **Evaluating CAERT and how it is working in your program**
- 2) **Coordinating labs to fit in with CAERT**
- 3) **Put together round-table workshop/presentation (like a few years ago)**
- 4) **Curriculum Exchange in a more professional manner, with full presentations**
- 5) **Have districts present a workshop or a presentation about an teaching area**
- 6) **Follow through and support from the state division and U of I on the CAERT program**
- 7) **Metal Identification (CTEI grant option) to off set costs for the presentation**

DuPont Ag Science Ambassador- Allison Touchstone

- **On-going**
- **Teaching a workshop at PTE conference (6-29-2006) on DNA Extraction**

Ideas Unlimited: Would like to work with the Professional Improvement/Exchange Ideas Committee, to market the Ideas Unlimited project better. Also we could like to have it available in a presentation format where people can come and look at your display, have copies available of the idea, and be able to interact with the presenter. There was agreement with the other committee.

New Chair

2007: Will Zollman

2008: Jack Garrett

Allison said she would be stepping down from the NASA program and they would like a replacement from each state, so interested people please talk with her.

Audit and Budget Committee

June 27, 2006

Committee Chair: Kyle Stapleton

Committee Members: June Playfair, Dave Ross, Jeff Gerard, Jesse Miller, Robert Hale, Allison Touchstone, Charlie Fenelon, Melissa Coles, Natalie Ogden, and Richard Dozier.

1. Financial records were reviewed and found to be in order.
Ran a \$1,225.53 deficit last year.
2. Budget for 2006-07—Shows a \$490.00 deficit.

Major Changes

- Recommend that U of I use the Royalty income from record book sales to print the Idaho Ag Teacher Directory.
- We ask that people attending the dinner this evening to donate any extra change or money for the dinner above the \$5.00 to offset our deficit.
- When paying your dues, please plan ahead and pay with a check or cash because it takes ACTE so long to get us the money.
- Alan Heikkila moved and Allison Touchstone seconded to set \$50.00 for decorations for State Leadership IVATA Dinner.
- June Playfair moved and Roger Wells seconded that in lieu of flowers that the money donated for memorials should go to the families chosen charity or to the immediate family to be in the amount of \$25.00.
- The audit and budget committee challenges each advisor to donate, raise, solicit, or come up with \$10.00 to go to the IVATA to help offset the deficit.
- The CD is being looked at to see if we can find a bank that will not mess with Alan and make him feel like a human instead of number.
- Recommend that Alan send a letter to all agricultural education instructors not present at summer conference to remind them to pay their dues.
- Natalie Ogden will be the committee chairman for 2007-08 year.
- Jesse Miller will be the committee chair elect for the 2008-09 year.

FFA Relations Committee Report

Twin Falls, June 30, 2006

The committee read the previous years minutes and approved them.

The committee then recommended the following:

Kevin Barker moved that the state FFA Convention registration remain at \$12 following the raise for last years 75th convention of \$14. Passed unanimously.

Kevin Barker moved that we have one quality speaker for the convention and if the cost is too high that a sponsor be secured so as to leave the registration unchanged. Passed unanimously.

Kevin Barker moved that the star award interviews, national chapter interviews, and proficiency interviews be traditional interviews with NO props or presentations. Passed Unanimously.

Joe Blackstock moved that we encourage all agriculture teachers to locate former students who attended the U of I and have them e-mail the president of the university explaining the impact that staying on campus had on them choosing the university as their college. Passed Unanimously.

Mark Beitia has agreed to serve as the Public relations chair for the 2007 summer conference.

Submitted by

Joe Blackstock
Public relations chair