



**Idaho Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association
IVATA Midwinter Meeting, January 6-7,, 2006, Boise, ID**

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

- Allison Touchstone, IVATA President
- Brian Wolf, IVATA President-elect
- Heather Hopkins, Kimberly
- Alan Heikkila, IVATA Treasurer
- Tom Clifton, IVATA Past President
- Robert Hale, CTEI Representative
- Dick Ledington, IDPTE AST Program Manager
- John Mundt, U of I
- Shawn Dygert, IVATA Legislative Liaison
- Victor Gunter, NMVD Director
- Larin Crossley, SEID Director
- Nathan Low, WID Director
- Jason Nettleton, BVD Director
- Steve Braun, NID Director
- Ron Corbett, SUSRD Director
- Joe Burrie, NUSRD Director
- Sam Condie, EMVD District director

Absent

- Amy Neal, IVATA Secretary
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Meeting was called to order by President Allison Touchstone at 1:20 p.m. in room 162 at the University of Idaho, Boise Center.

Welcome and Introductions – Allison Touchstone, IVATA President

1. The tentative agenda was overviewed and approved by the committee.

Food Producers of Idaho Report – Rick Waitley, Executive Director, Idaho FFA Foundation

1. Passed out Food Producers Executive director Report – 2005. Also provided list of the FPI Ag All Stars for 2006 and recommended this list be used to consider for Honorary FFA Degrees. Also provided a Legislative Update with a list of bills and issues for the legislative session.
2. Cenarrusa Day on the Hill schedule for Tuesday, February 21, 2006
 - Start at 7:30 am; 30 minutes later than last year
 - Breakfast will be buffet with items that are youth friendly
 - Tours are eliminated; Will stay at hotel for entire program with five (5) 30 minute workshops. After a break a repeat of workshops finishing at 10:30 am.
3. Bright Spots Articles needed. Name, contact info, and brief sketch.
4. State Leadership Conference – 75th Anniversary
 - IVATA dinner at SLC and 75th alumni dinner as separate dinner functions. Corbett moved, Burrie second, passed with one dissenting vote.
 - 2 X 4 Challenge – possibly use other materials, i.e. metal, plastic, etc. Auction top 20 items, 1 prize for wood project, 1 prize for metal.
 - Conference Banner Project – talked about the success of the banner project and how to increase the number of banners sold and displayed.

Review of Minutes and Committee Reports

- Minutes from 2005 Mid-Winter and Summer Conference were presented in packet. Motions to approve by Brian Wolf, second by Sam Condie. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Allison Touchstone ordered a 15 minute break.

University of Idaho Ag & Extension Education (Teleconference) – Dr. Lou Riesenberg,

1. Student Teachers
 - See brochure on AEE website; going out at the start of 2nd semester
 - Cooperating teacher workshop in February
2. June In-service
 - Liked the 2-day workshop format, back to back for a four-day total
 - Brian Wolf reviewed suggestions from the 2005 summer conference minutes
 - Week of July 10-14, 2006 was suggested. May conflict with FFA District Officer Training camp
3. October In-service – Contest Revision
 - Open workshop, credit for anyone who wishes to participate
 - To be held at CSI October 5-6
4. Department status – Dr. Riesenberg has submitted a request for a new AEE faculty position. He is hopeful that it will be approved.

IVATA Membership Report – Alan Heikkila

1. Membership
 - a. IVATA Active – 70
 - b. IVATA Life – 10
 - c. NAAE Active – 52
 - d. NAAE Life – 34
 - e. CTEI – 57
 - f. ACTE - 23
2. Checking account \$12,844.45

IVATA Legislative Action Report – Shawn Dygert, IVATA Legislative Liaison

- Overview of Food Producers of Idaho by Fred Faulks, IVATA Representative to Food Producers of Idaho; weekly meetings during legislative session; how legislation is chosen for review and support/non-support. A scorecard was kept for each legislator. Ag All-Stars are determined from scorecard and recognized.
- Report on legislative issues, including Food Producers of Idaho membership and Carl Perkins funding.

State FFA Update – Lisa Shively, Idaho FFA Coordinator

1. Review of Calendar of Activities for the previous year.
2. Discussed a discipline procedure for state FFA officers who are not fulfilling the requirements of the office. No action was taken but it was debated vigorously.
3. The state officers have been on some outstanding business and industry tours. The tours have been organized around other state events to help save expenses and time out of school. If you have recommendation for other business and industry tour sites, please make these recommendations to Lisa Shively.
4. Concerns: State officers not being in official dress at FFA functions (Steve Braun). Delegate business session at SLC; concerned about the information being given to the

committee members ahead of time. Send an e-mail to advisors with the delegate committee information.

Break at 5:00 pm for dinner

Reconvene at 7:00 pm

NAAE Report – Allison Touchstone, IVATA President

- National Conference was moved to Kansas City this year due to Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans
- NAAE Life membership still available; added active and inactive life membership status to be used when calculating voting; increased organizational dues to \$750
- NAAE Budget Overview by Nate Low; NAAE Agriculture Teacher Relief Fund established for those teachers impacted by Hurricane Katrina
- NAAE is printing new NAAE recruitment brochures for recruiting students into the ag teaching profession.
- NAAE supported the 10,000 agriculture programs goal by the National Council of Agricultural Education.
- Encouraged the Idaho ag instructors to attend the Region 1 Ag Education Conference in Boise on April 19-22.
- NAAE Service Award Nominations: Maynard Fosberg (applications available on the website)

AST Program Manager Report – Dick Ledington, AST Program Manager, IDPTE

1. Dick responded to questions about extended contracts. Dick also indicated that calls from administrators this year were primarily about days out of school.
2. Instructors were encouraged to nominate persons for the three adult voting member on the FFA nominating committee.
3. Schools that have contacted the State Division about possible new Agriculture Science & Technology programs are: Kamiah, Grangeville, Salmon River (Riggins), and Horseshoe Bend.
4. Summer Conference for 2006 is in Twin Falls on June 27-30. The 2007 summer conference will be in North Idaho, possibly Lewiston, although a site has not been selected as of this date.
5. CAERT Curriculum project is progressing nicely. Instructors were reminded that this is a subscription service and only those that subscribe will receive the product. The two curriculum libraries to be distributed at summer conference are: Animal and Plant Science, and Ag Mechanics Technology.
6. Certification issues with the Natural Science and Consumer Economics endorsements were debated by the Professional Standards Commission this year. Although changes were made to both, it was felt by Dr. Ledington and Dr. Riesenberg that the changes were reasonable and could be incorporated into existing class schedule for agricultural education undergraduates.

IVATA Nominations for FFA Recognition – Allison Touchstone, IVATA President

1. Honorary American Degree (other)
 - Larry Church
 - Marilyn Crumley
 - Dave Daniel
 - Jim Wilson
 - Dick Ledington

(Volunteer to write the application)

2. Honorary American (teacher)

- Alan Heikkila
- Jim Roland (reserve in case #1 candidate is not able to apply)

3. FFA VIP Citation

- Lou Riesenber

4. Honorary State Degree

- Ron & Mary Stockham (Heather Hopkins)
- Bill VanderMeer Heather Hopkins)
- Mark VanSkiver (Allison touchstone)
- ~~○ Connie Windsor (Heather Hopkins)~~
- Rex Larsen (Crossley)
- Mike Chesley (Sam Condie)
- Richard Dozier
- Norma Rose (Sue Poland)
- Brian Wolf
- ~~○ Janet O'Brien (Ron Corbett)~~
- Brett Nelson (Ron Corbett)
- Wes Dent (Ron Corbett)
- ~~○ Jason Tindall (FFA)~~
- ~~○ Dr. Ron Bolinger, American Falls~~
- Tom Limbaugh, Fruitland
- ~~○ Frank Howery (Notus)~~
- Dr. Scott Higer (Meridian)
- ~~○ Art Butler (Gooding)~~

5. Distinguished Service

- Butte Irrigation (Sam Condie)
- Bill McDade (Ron Corbett)
- ~~○ Fred Faulks~~
- ~~○ Dave Daniel~~
- ~~○ Jodie Mink~~
- Rangeland Resource Commission (Dygert)
- Boston Beef House (Fruitland FFA)
- Alexander Clark Printing (Meridian FFA)

NAAE Awards

- NAAE Service – Fred Faulks

PTE Summer Conference Planning – Allison Touchstone, IVATA President

2006 Workshop Ideas (strike through removed from workshops to be considered)

1. NASA training (Allison Touchstone)

- DNA Isolation and Extraction
- Genetics using Corn Crosses
- DNA Molecular Structure
- Identifying bT corn

2. **National FFA** – Mike Honeycutt, LPS Specialist
 - REV It Up!
 - 2006 National FFA Convention, October 25-28, 2006, Indianapolis, Indiana
3. **Curriculum Exchange** – Dick Ledington and Allison Touchstone
4. **CAERT Curriculum Libraries (subscribers only)** – Joel Webel, CAERT Training
 - Animal, Plant and Soil Science
 - Ag Mechanics and Technology
- ~~5. Integrating Academic Achievement Standards~~
- ~~6. Metal Manufacturing Technology, particularly toward trailers~~
7. **Ag Related Electronics** – (concurrent session) The electronics department at ISU has done a lot of agricultural related work lately. Over the past few months the department chair and two instructors have discussed with me the fact that electronics have become so pervasive in modern agricultural technology that there is a need for more electronics education at the high school level. They would like to develop an online course for high school Ag. teachers that will give them some basic info on electronics related to electronic motor controls, GPS and wireless technology in the Ag. industry, electronic Diesel engine controls, etc. As a result of this I have suggested that they contact you and perhaps make a presentation at summer conference. If this is something you would consider, I will have them get in touch with you. What do you think? Fred Ball
8. **Aquaculture for Teachers – Tools and Techniques to Enhance Applied Science Education in the Classroom** - David L. Smith, Ph.D., S.P. Cramer and Associates, University of Idaho, Aquaculture Research Institute (JR Morrow, Genesee)
9. **State FFA Degree Application and Directions** – Shawn Dygert & Allison Touchstone
- ~~10. Carl Perkins Funding – Kevin Barker and/or Josie Chancey~~
- ~~11. CareerSafe? The CareerSafe Online OSHA 10-Hour Course is the first of its kind. It is an interactive, Y2Y (Youth Teaching Youth) online program that addresses the high-priority safety training needs of young workers. The goal of this program is to decrease the disturbingly high numbers of injuries and fatalities among young workers. Throughout the program, students explore a wide range of topics including laws, guidelines, behaviors, and equipment, all intended to help them Start Safe and Stay Safe. Since we believe in the importance of safety training for every student, we are committed to delivering the CareerSafe program at a reasonable cost to students, educators, and schools. The cost for the CareerSafe online course is \$12 per student. Andrea Foster, Program Manager, CareerSafe Online, afoster@k2share.com , 979-260-0030~~
12. CDE's – The new changes
13. Floral Design
14. GPS Training – Agrowknowledge.

Recessed for the evening at approximately 9:00 pm.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2006

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Report from FFA Board of Directors by State FFA President, Bradley Hale, Rigby

- Recommendation to move the Floriculture CDE from Twin Falls to Moscow.
- Recommendation to increase SLC registration from \$12 to \$14
- Provided list of nominees for the Honorary State FFA Degree

Report by Dr. John Mundt, University of Idaho, Dept of Ag & Extension Education

- Recommend tour Idaho Water Center at next midwinter meeting.
- Greetings from Dr. Lori Moore, who would have been at meeting except she is attending meeting as the superintendent of the National FFA Food Science & Technology CDE. Retaining quality faculty in agricultural teacher education was discussed by the group.
- Because of budget reductions, the AEE Department is losing its department status and moving to Academic Programs under the administration of Dr. John Foltz. Steve Braun recommended a letter writing campaign of support to Dr. John Hammel, Dean of CALS.
- Dick Ledington moved Allison Touchstone write a letter on behalf of IVATA Board of Directors to UI CALS in support of the AEE mission; amend by Sam Condie to encourage additional letters. Amendment passed unanimously. Amended main motion passed.

State FFA Recommendations

- Floriculture CDE – FFA Board recommendation discussed. Dygert moved to start at 6:00 pm for 2006. Corbett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Increase SLC registration from \$12 to \$14. A detailed budget report was not available. Moved by Heather Hopkins not to have an overflow room with remote audio and video at the FFA State Leadership Conference. Second by Joe Burrie. Vote passed unanimously. Braun moved that registration fees increase from \$12 to \$14 for 2006 convention only; reverting to \$12 for 2007. Heikkila second. Debated vigorously. Passed unanimously.
- Dick Ledington was directed to bring a detailed FFA Budget Report to summer conference. Also a report on the annual cost of being a state FFA officer.

Finalize Honorary State FFA Degrees and Distinguished Service Nominees

- Incorporated into previous minutes (names that are struck through were not approved for 2006)

2006 Summer Conference Schedule

- See attached sheet with summer conference schedule

Membership Report – Alan Heikkila

- Clifton moved that IVATA pay half of refreshments at \$22.46. Corbett second. Passed unanimously
- Braun moved to allocate \$40 to decorations at the IVATA meeting at SLC. Low second. Passed unanimously.

It was moved by Larin Crossley and seconded by Steve Braun to adjourn. Motion Passes.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Ledington". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Richard Ledington
Substitute IVATA Secretary

2006 PTE Summer Conference

Twin Falls, Idaho, June 27-30, 2006

Agricultural Science & Technology Program

(Draft 1/7/06)

Conference Theme: Idaho's Career Clusters - Toward Quality "Hire" Education

For Information & to Register: www.pte.idaho.gov/sumconf/sumconf.htm

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:00 am		Travel Time	Travel Time	Travel Time	Travel Time
8:00 - 8:15 am		<p>PTE Opening Session 8:00-9:00 am</p> <p>Opening Session, CTEI and Keynote Speaker</p> <p>Break- 9:00-9:30am</p> <p>Ag Session 1 9:30 a-11:00 noon</p> <p>Neophyte seating Agenda Review-Meal Cnts CALs Welcome CTEI Report NAAE Report & Awards IVATA Dues Committee Assignments University of Idaho Report</p> <p>Lunch Provided 11:00-1:00 pm Includes Vendor Exhibits</p> <p>Ag Session 2 1:00 am-2:45 pm</p> <p>IVATA Committee Work</p> <p>Break- 2:45-3:00 pm</p> <p>Ag Session 3 3:00-5:00 pm</p> <p>CAERT Rev It Up (2 computer labs, concurrent workshops)</p> <p>Break- 4:30-5:00pm</p> <p>PTE Sponsored Evening Social - 6:00-8:00</p>	<p>Ag Session 4 8:00-11:30 am</p> <p>Industry Tours: Heather Hopkins, Victor Gunter, Tom Clifton, Brian Wolf</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Independent Meat 2. Clear Springs Fish Hatchery 3. Jayco Trailers <p>Other Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fish Breeders of Idaho • Dairy <p>Water and refreshments for tours (Sam Condie)</p> <p>IVATA 10-Year Club Luncheon (Heather Hopkins and Sue Poland in charge)</p> <p>Ag Session 5 1:30-2:50pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - GPS 2 - DNA Extraction 3 - FFA Record Books <p>Ag Session 6 3:00-4:30pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - GPS 2 - Food Safety 3 - FFA Applications <p>CTEI Sponsored Reception 4:30-5:30pm</p> <p>IVATA Social - 6:00-8:00 Centennial Park-BoatTour, Catered BBQ, \$25, Tom Clifton</p>	<p>CTEI Sponsored Breakfast, 8:00-9:00 am</p> <p>Concurrent Session #1 9:00-10:30 am</p> <p>CDE Revisions Committee Reports</p> <p>Break- 10:30-11:00am</p> <p>Concurrent Session #2 11:00 am-12:30 noon</p> <p>IVATA New Teacher Luncheon(Location?)</p> <p>Concurrent Session #3 1:30-2:45 pm</p> <p>Ag Electronics</p> <p>PTE Closing Session 3:00-4:00 pm</p> <p>Evening on Your Own Bus to Jackpot (early bus and late bus)</p>	<p>Ag Session 7 8:00-9:50 am</p> <p>IVATA Awards Breakfast</p> <p>Break- 9:50-10:00 am</p> <p>Ag Session 8 10:00-11:50 am</p> <p>IVATA Business Meeting</p> <p>Break- 11:50-12:00</p> <p>12:00-2:00 pm Univ of Idaho AEE Advisory Committee</p> <p>Please plan on attending the 2007 Idaho PTE Summer Conference in North Idaho on June 18-21</p>
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