

**IVATA Minutes for Mid-Winter  
Jan. 11, 2008**

Attendees:

- Shawn Dygert, IVATA President and IVATA Legislative Liaison
- Justin Patten, IVATA President-Elect
- Brian Wolf, IVATA Past President
- Janna Volkers, IVATA Secretary
- Kyle Stapleton, IVATA Secretary-Elect
- Amy Nichols, IVATA CTEI Representative
- Alan Heikkila, IVATA Executive Treasurer
- Steve Braun, NID Director
- Nathan Low, WID Director
- Jack Blattner, BVD Director
- Stacey Winn, SMVD Director
- Sam Condie, EMVD Director
- Val Johnson, NUSRD Director
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- Larin Crossley, SEID Director
- Allison Touchstone, ANR Program Manager
- Lou Riesenber, UI Ag and Extension Education
- Mike Womochil, National FFA LPS Specialist

Called to order at 12:03 at the U of I Boise Center by President Shawn Dygert.

Introductions—

Alan would like to move down the agenda! After or before first break.

Midwinter minutes from last year.

Correction: Should say 07 on minutes

No minutes from Summer Conference: Lost on a thumb drive that is non functional.

Validation of appeals and re-cap.

Jack Blattner moved to accept the minutes from Midwinter 2007, Nathan Lowe seconded.

Passed

Steve Braun moved to accept the minutes from IVATA Leadership Conference minutes,  
Allison Touchstone seconded: Passed

Fred Faulks: Food Producers

26 Senators—Ag All-Stars: Food Producers work with Legislatures on bills and legislation. If a senator votes no on more than one bill, they are not nominated for special recognition. Changed location of meetings: Idaho Grain and Ag Center at 9:00 A.M. Every Week!

Timeline for issues to Food Producers on positions on Legislation.

Producers looked at 49 different issues in 07! Work with Ag issues!

Food producers are interested in the Vocational aspect dealing with Ag.

Brian moved and Larin seconded that Fred Faulks continue to be our Food Producers representative and continue our Food Producers

Steve moved to reimburse Fred Faulks for his All-Stars banquet and strolling dinner. Passed.

### **NAAE Report:**

Convention report:

Erica region I Secretary:

NAAE Service and Honorary Life Membership Nominations

Marylin Crumley—Steve nominated

Changed to Life time achievement: Outstanding Service Achievement

Also, Outstanding Cooperation—Marylin

ACTE Update—

Robert Hale did a good job representing us.

Relationship with ACTE and NAAE, Sponsor with ACTE. Only division doing this.

### **CTEI Report**

Get dues in the month after summer conference

Resend Bright spot to Val Johnson and Allison Touchstone.

Are bright spots getting to the desk!!! Rick Waitley

Mike Womochil

Update on Nationals: 10 X 15 working on bringing the 8 committees back together:

- \* Teacher recruitment 3 main goals: 1. develop clear and concise message.
- 2. National Program where graduates will have a loan forgiveness program.
- \* Task force on defining Ag Ed.
- \*Task force on data collection
- \*Alternative delivery: Case model—curriculum
- \*FFA Website: Educators tab-Educators work room

Do not wait until the second week of February to fill out applications—READ INSTRUCTIONS—Do Not Hit Return!

1 page needs to be mailed in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of February.

\*Concerns: Correct email address, verification email comes in a .net format which may go to junk mail so if you don't get it that day, check junk mail.

\*In-service—Idaho should come home with a plan of action. Compile a one page document on what we are doing on recruitment development and retention.

\*Applications on degrees—Make sure you download the application on the website to get the most recent application.

\*Will work with us in any way we can. Alumni may be covered by insurance through National Alumni

\*Need a teacher from Idaho to spend a week at the Dupont Institute to become an Agriscience Ambassador. All expenses paid in July for a week. Will have to do workshops at IVATA or NAAE.

\*Making a difference magazine—We will no longer receive it. It is now online.

\*MAD magazine should be coming out next week. Can go online and subscribe.

\*If you order anything out of the catalog, get the name of the person you are talking to.

\*If you have a problem and it isn't fixed, call Mike Womochil.

\*Life Knowledge problem, email Christine White.

\*Curtis Cave will be great help with any problem.

\*4 cities being considered after 2012: Louisville, Kansa City, Minneapolis, and Indianapolis

\*Recommend each LPS region find two states to pilot a program for National Standards.

\*Mike is asking Idaho and Nevada to do this. The state would pick two schools to do this in. Teachers have a year to focus on two areas that do not meet the standards. They are proposing a Delta like conference to identify what is critical to a quality program which will help teachers meet the standards that they are found deficient.

\*Shawn would like to have Allyson add this to the Newsletter for 5 teachers to ask administrators to see if they can be the pilot.

\*Lou said he may be able to give credit at \$88 for the conference.

\*Idaho needs a strategic plan!!!

## **U of I Report**

Peggy Benson: Different job

Dr. Moore Leaving in May

Sr. Instructor working at U of I Boise: Housed in Magic or Treasure Valley

Hope to have both filled by summer

Jennifer Kline is part time: Human resource background

Plant mounts for Agronomy CDE—

CAERT curriculum—1<sup>st</sup> installment has been paid

2<sup>nd</sup> Installment is ready

Workshops on how to use curriculum and fit it to standards.

Would IVATA be willing to pay money to teachers to do this.

Student teachers—Jessica Smith—Meridian

Josh Sanders-Kuna-Erica

Will Schumacher--Steve, Tyler Wegner-Buddy Carter, Palouse

Swans Survey—Professional Development Needs Survey results

Summer Conference fees

Range curriculum—Thursday and Friday of Summer Conference.

Awards Dinner move to Wednesday Night and open Thursday for In-service.

In-Service—Miller Welding In-Service will cost \$250/Instructor

## **Dual Credit:**

High School curriculum will work for College Credit if you teach units out of 3 different Ag Ed curriculum.

AG 660 will allow students to take the CDE Exam for Ag Econ 101 credit

You would have to be an approved Instructor.

You would have to spend a week in June working with the different departments.

Start in February and meet for a couple of days and work through details.

Recruitment: We really need to work on this!!

## **IVATA Membership:**

110 total teachers including natural resources

3 accounts

Business checking \$245.36 non interest

CD \$7,000—\$123.77 since June

Money Market interest \$87.43 since June

Money Market \$4,842.61

Credit Card—What is reasonable?

Should we only use it for several people etc?

Debit card use?

**PTE Summer Conference Planning:**

Foundation Meeting: Full Board Meeting-Mountain View High School  
Perkins requirement—Technical assessments implemented by Perkins 4  
Ledington will do some things on technical assessment.

Sunday 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Foundation and Executive Board

Monday: 8-10:00 a.m.

Neophyte seating, Dues, Committee assignments, CTEI report, Door Prizes,  
Introductions, Meal Counts, general business, U of I report, CAERT distribution

Monday 1-3:00 p.m.

Committee meetings, State Program report, NAAE update/report, CAERT Layout  
Monday Evening Activity—Barbecue Amy Nichols and softball at MK Nature Center

Tuesday: June 17, 2008 9:15-10:30 a.m.

Technical Assessment requirements-options,

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Teacher recruitment/retention overview NAEI info roundtable discussion.

12:00-1:00 p.m.

New Teacher Lunch

1:00-2:00 p.m.

Committee Reports, Legislative report Q and A: Istars, other issues.

2:00-4:00 p.m.

NAIS training/ premises registration Committee meetings as needed

Wednesday June 18, 2008

8:00—12:00 a.m.

Tours

12:00-1:00 p.m.

Ten Year Lunch

1:00-3:45 p.m.

Round Table Topics  
CEV Presentation

4:00 p.m.

Committee Reports:

6:00 p.m.

IVATA Social/Dinner/Awards

**State Officer reports:**

Business and Industry tours. Attended Idaho Ag-All Stars dinner.  
Lisa Shively is stepping down in April.

Rick Waitley announced his resignation as of Jan. 31, 2008.

Ask Pat Tagasaki to come in and help us with setting up a new Foundation Board.  
Larry Brannan may be interested to help us.

**Appeals Process:**

Do we need one?

\*Steve moves we construct an appeals process. Justin Patten seconded. Passed

Allison volunteered to prepare a validation sheet for the CDE's.

Proposal: A grievance needs to be in writing submitted to the State Advisor within 24 hours along with a \$50 fee within 5 business days which will be refunded if the appeal is correct, if not, the \$50 will be forfeited to the IVATA. The decision will be made within timely manner. Committee decision is final.

- See Committee Recommendations Requiring IVATA Action:
- CDE Committee

**Saturday Jan. 12, 2008**

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Absent:

- Janna Volkens, IVATA Secretary
- Lou Riesenberg, UI Ag and Extension Education
- Amy Nichols, IVATA CTEI Representative

Shawn brought up dropping DOT.

Jack Blattner moves to eliminate DOT, VerNon Roche seconded, passed

Justin moved to put DOT money into State Officer funds for travel, Stacey Winn seconded, passed.

### **Nominations for Honorary American Degree**

Teacher:

Gordon Gillman

Other:

Larry Church

Galen Smyer

### **Honorary State Degree**

Jeffery Pettingill

Jan Barber

Ken Fox

Hank Hafliger (don't order – we have from last year)

Frank and Leslie Teunissen

Dave and Sue Williams

John Isaacson  
Lori Moore  
Amin  
John Foltz, Hammel and Nelson in Moscow  
Angie Golightley  
Tiffany Jensen  
Doug Sayer  
Marty Mundt  
Terry Patterson

**Distinguished Service**

Marge Foster  
A Plus Awards  
Air Gas Burley  
John Miller  
Norco Twin Falls

**HO Sargeant**

Connie Tewalt

**VIP**

Marilyn Crumley

**Teachers: Honorary State Degree**

Lex Godfrey  
Kyle Stapleton  
Kevin Wells  
Randy Hillman  
Trish Stokes

**DOH Feb 4, 2008**

Sue Thilo, SBOE  
Ken Andrus, Rep  
Dean Cameron, Sen.  
Wendy Jacquet, Rep

Jack Blattner moved to accept the Honorary Award list. Val Johnson seconded. Passed

**Program Manager Report**

Added a program at Hanson  
Bob Morgan—Kamiah  
Megan Haslim—Salmon River  
Travis Henderson—Blackfoot  
Adding a program at Valley



Rocky Mountain and two at Meridian  
FFA Membership—Doing very well, may break 3,900  
One time grant—Don't know yet, maybe next month

**Foundation Report**

Cash Flow/Budget  
Investor Receipts  
State Conference Financial Report  
Financial report of July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007  
Rick recommends that the two positions be together—  
Plan to have a smooth transition

**ICC/FFA Cenarussa Day on the Hill**

Breakfast report:  
Do not visit the Capital Building  
Make sure you write the invitations to Legislatures

**Foundation Board**

Rick Waitley gave the Foundation Report.

Rick Waitley submitted his resignation effective 1/30/08. The resignation was accepted unanimously by the Board of Directors.

Jack Blattner moved and Steve Braun seconded that Larry Church, Galen Smyer, Laura Wilder, John Mundt, and Milt Osgood serve as the search committee for the vacated position of Rick Waitley. Motion passed unanimously.

Alan recommends video conferencing for your next meeting.

Jack moved that Shawn Dygert as IVATA president have the Foundation accounts transferred to his name until such time as a new executive director is hired. Nathan Low seconded. Sam Condie moved to add Steve Wilder and/or Jack Blattner to the list so there are at least two signatories on the accounts. Seconded by Larin Crossley. Amendment passes unanimously. Main motion as amended passes unanimously.

Larin Crossley moved to adjourn the meeting. Nathan Low seconded. Passed

Submitted by:

Janna Shopbell-Volkers  
IVATA Secretary  
-and-  
Kyle Stapleton  
IVATA Secretary-Elect