

**IVATA Legislative/ Public Relations Committee
2016
Chair: Brian Wolf**

Members Present: Brian Wolf, Chairman, Brandi Milliron, Janna Volkers, Shawn Dygert, Steve Wilder, Heidi Salvesen, Daniel Knapp, Jake Landon, Logan Bingham,
Guest: Mark Pratt

Old Business

- IQPS: \$325,000 available; this is now a line item in CTE budget so it is a fixed amount. 33 applications, 30 grants available. The new IQPS application was made available much later than the previous year; the application lacked proper training in application completion.

New Business

- Last year's reflection of recommendations and revise
 - Recommendation from the committee to have a workshop for IQPS during October In-Services and another during 212/360 Conference in January. This will help teachers in compiling information and where to begin with IQPS process.
 - Food Producers: Jake Landon moved to continue membership to Food Producers, motion passed
- Questions from Dwight Johnson at Division of CTE
 - Strengthening Ag Teacher pipeline and what role the State CTE Division has in supporting this: Committee recommended that the State CTE advocate for increased funding for CTE teachers and define a clearer path for Limited Occupational Specialist Degree - motion passed.
 - IQPS Incentive Grant process streamlined and improved: Committee recommended to stay with the 7 standards, timeframe, continue to keep deadline at June 15,
 - Engaging teachers that have not participated in IQPS: Committee recommended to have a workshop for IQPS during October In-Services and another during 212/360 Conference in January.
 - Better assess or measure positive results of IQPS: Committee recommended those people that have received the IQPS grant report how the money has impacted them. IVATA Secretary will send out a survey to instructors that received the grant to report how IQPS has impacted the program - this would be easy and time-efficient for instructors.
- Mark Pratt addressed the committee and requested hosting roundtable discussion forums, rotating between two regions each year. Motion was made to have the IVATA support the Idaho FFA Alumni with these roundtable discussions - motion passed.
- Elected 2017 Chair: Steve Wilder