

**IVATA Professional Improvement Committee
2016**

Chair: Kya Vines

Monday, June 20

Sarah Helmick, Kya Vines, Stephanie Whipple, Julie Smith, Chelsie Fugate, Lindsey Stephens, Hannah Mammer, Nate Low, Katie Cronquist, Kirsten Cardenas, Jaysa Fillmore, Carly Gerwig, Tom Clifton, Kylie Shaul, Karl Dahle, Jaysa Fillmore

Kya read minutes from last year. Nate Low moved to accept the minutes. Lindsey Stephens seconded. Motion approved.

The group reviewed the recommendations from last year:

- Mentoring program
- Improve committee structure
- Ag Teacher Toolbox
- Ideas Unlimited
- Inservice

Mentoring program- is in place for this year.

Improve committee structure- were invited to MidWinter and the Leadership meetings at Inservice. Nate Low suggested that the current year committee chair be invited to MidWinter and then the new committee chair come to the leadership meeting at the beginning of Inservice. Recommendation was made for the secretary to invite the committee chairs to MidWinter and the both outgoing and new committee chair (if different) to the leadership meeting at Inservice.

The Ag Teacher Toolbox was created and posted on the website last year.

Josette represented Idaho with Ideas Unlimited at Region 1.

Inservice happened at Madison this year as recommended.

New Business

Future of Inservice- Shane Stevenson moved, Nate Low seconded to have a separate Inservice 1 week between CDE's and Inservice and keep moving it around the state. Open to suggestions on host school/ program- central or northern Idaho.

The group edited the Ag Teacher Toolbox and was given homework to think about October Inservice Days topics.

Tuesday, June 21

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The group reviewed Idaho Ag Ed Mentoring Program monthly discussion topics and made suggestions on paper. Jaysa will edit the document.

We listed suggestions for October Inservice Days:

- Aquaculture- Trent Van Leuven
- Meats- Troy Bird
- CDE Revision
- Curriculum Development
- Fishing Rod Building Class
- Food Science

Several questions were submitted by the Division that the committee discussed:

1. Thoughts and suggestions on how to strengthen Ag Teacher Pipelines:

Recruitment:

Low pay- hard to promote traditional route and industry route

Teach Ag workshops- juniors/ seniors

Who is Teach Ag coordinator?

2. Role of the division

Classes required for certification from industry are busy work

Helping pay for credits- goal is no cost

3. Thoughts on improvement of IQPS

Streamlined for multi teacher program

Collaborative documents

Easier and better to manage from last year to this year- upload documents you need

4. Engage teachers that have not yet participated in IQPS

Time, time, time, time

Merit based and needs based

Good will get better, worst will stay where they're at

Programs have to show improvement before they get it again

Go through process to show baseline data

Professional Development credit

IVATA Website was discussed. Comments included:

Nice to have

Online registration

Post CDE rules and Curriculum Guides

The suggestion of creating a new IVATA Officer- Membership Development Officer was discussed. Responsibilities would include website, inservice, and mentoring program. Alan Willmore moved to have Membership Development Officer. The motion was seconded and passed.

2017 Chair- Alan Willmore