

IVATA Dinner Minutes
FFA State Leadership Conference
Turf Club - Twin Falls, Idaho
Friday, April 7, 2017

1. Call to order.....Robert Hale, IVATA President
 - a. 5:55 p.m.
2. Welcome.....Robert Hale, IVATA President
3. Introduction of GuestsSue Poland, IVATA President-Elect
4. Dinner
5. State PTE Report.....Jerry Severe, ANR Program Manager
 - a. U of I is going to work with the state office to develop an Ag Leadership & Communications pathway
 - b. The provost has approved for Utah State to offer welding and ag mechanics credits to Idaho ag students. Development will start June 22.
 - c. Jerry has a goal to work harder to initiate new programs around the state by promoting ag education to school boards.
6. IQPS Report Amy Lorenzo, Idaho CTE Planning & Policy Coordinator
 - a. Conducted three focus groups this week
 - b. Changes we are considering
 - i. Changing eligibility requirements to get younger teachers to apply.
 - ii. Lowering the amount of the grant award to spread it to more programs that apply.
 - c. We will discuss these things in detail at summer in-service in June.
7. National FFA Update Ben Meyer, Western Region FFA LPS
 - a. Ben couldn't be here but he sent a handout that was distributed to the group.
8. University of Idaho ReportDr. Matt Doumat, CALS Associate Dean
 - a. College hired a new dean last year – Dr. Michael Pirella

- b. Plant, Soil & Entomological sciences splitting – dept. of plant science, dept. of soil and water quality, and dept. of plant health.
 - c. CALS currently has the largest ambassador corp. ever. Programs should contact them if they would like recruitment visits.
 - d. The Café – a center for agriculture, food, and the environment. It will be located in Southern Idaho and much of it will be focused around the dairy industry. It will serve the University of Idaho as well as several other institutions. The project has been approved and the college has to raise their portion of the funds from industry.
 - e. Feasibility study was conducted to consider building a new meats facility. The project is currently on hold to allow for building a new arena, but it is something the dean wants to do in the future.
 - f. Dual Credit – Dual credit courses being taught right now are:
 - i. Plant Science 101 – currently being offered.
 - ii. AgEd 258 – Experiential Learning and SAE Projects will be offered this year.
 - iii. Food Science 110 – currently being offered.
 - iv. AVS 110 will hopefully be offered in the future.
 - g. FAFSA deadline is currently Dec. 1.
 - h. Ag Days will be held October 6-8, 2017.
9. U of I Agriculture and Extension Education Update..... Dr. Jim Connors, AEE Dept. Chair
- a. Professional development credit will be available this summer for summer in-service and summer conference.
 - b. Dr. Faulk received tenure and the mid-career award this year
 - c. Dr. Smith is working to write and revise curriculum units for courses in ag education
 - d. Jerry Severe is working on Ag Science Communication and Leadership pathway.
 - e. Clara-Leigh Evans is working with Dr. Wolf and Dr. Smith to conduct a go-on survey with Idaho high school ag education students in an effort to increase the go-on rate.
 - f. Registration materials will be out soon for state CDEs. Due date will be Friday, May 12. After that date, there will be an additional fee. Registration will be on judgingcard.com

this year. Team member information will be required by June 2. Student cards will not be scored unless their information is entered into judgingcard.com.

- i. Registration is increasing by \$5. The group photo will be free digitally and will be sent electronically to each chapter. The dance cost will also be included in registration. There will continue to be a Thursday night teacher appreciation dinner. Both orientation and the awards ceremony will be held in the Kibbie Dome. The goal is to have 1,000 students at state CDEs.

10. College of Southern Idaho Report..... Dr. Barry Pate, Dept. Chair

- a. Food Science is a new dual credit offering through CSI this year.
- b. CSI appreciates the opportunity to host FFA State Leadership Conference and hopes they can continue to accommodate the FFA to keep the conference here.

11. Idaho FFA Alumni ReportMark Pratt, Idaho FFA Alumni President

- a. National FFA and Alumni are working to build the Ag Explorer virtual field trip program to provide more opportunities for students to explore agricultural careers and educate career counselors about agricultural career opportunities.

12. Idaho FFA Foundation Report Laura Wilder, Foundation Executive Director

- a. The board is working hard to identify and address needs of the Idaho FFA Association.
- b. The board approved to hire a part-time fundraiser.
- c. The board decided to move the chapter challenge auction to the Friends of Idaho FFA fundraiser dinner. The dinner this year had 25 industry sponsored tables with over 200 supporters from the Magic Valley.

13. IVATA Business

a. Summer In-service..... Jaysa Fillmore

- i. There will be an email coming out in a couple weeks to ask for workshop interests
- ii. Week of June 19 in Fruitland
- iii. \$125 registration per member, \$90 for U of I ag ed students

b. Summer Range Workshop.....Sue Poland, IVATA President-Elect

- i. July 10-15

- ii. 1-2 credits available
 - iii. Either a stipend to attend or complimentary registration
 - iv. 29 people indicated interest in the workshop
- c. IVATA AwardsRobert Hale, IVATA President
- i. Have applications for outstanding program, teacher
 - ii. Still need applications for teacher mentor, outstanding young member
 - iii. Still need an applicant for ideas unlimited to attend Region 1 Conference at the end of April.
 - iv. At summer conference we need to showcase ideas unlimited. Bring your ideas to summer conference. We will vote for a state winner to send to Region I Conference.
- d. Other new business.....Robert Hale, IVATA President
- i. IQPS application is open; deadline has been extended to the end of June. Going through the process improves programs.
 - ii. Jaysa moved to change the name of IVATA to IATA. Motion was seconded and passed.
 - iii. Alan Heikkila moved to add Travis Edwards as a signer on the association checking account. Motion was seconded and passed.
 - iv. Sam moved to add a professional development coordinator to our list of officers. Seconded.
 - 1. Pat Dixon moved to postpone the motion to the summer in-service in June. Seconded and passed.
14. Herdbook Report.....Kyle Stapleton, Herdbook Committee
- a. Shawn Dygert moved that all proceeds from tonight's herd book report be given to Jodie Mink to be passed on to the Dawn Holmes family. Seconded and passed unanimously.
15. Adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by Travis Edwards, IVATA Secretary