

IATA Professional Improvement Committee
August 3, 2020

Members present: Renee Peugh, Joe Blackstock, Molly Sparrow, Shane Wetzel, Tom Clifton, Erica Woods, Amber Bucknell, Kya Vines, Alan Willmore, Jaysa Fillmore, Casey Sanders (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 10:33 am.

Minutes from the 2019 meet were reviewed.

Jaysa moved and Erica 2nd to approve the previous meetings minutes. PASSED

Item #1:

Recommendations for in-service hosts

2021 – Eastern Idaho -- Blackfoot

2022 – Western Idaho – maybe Meridian

2023 – North Idaho

2024 – South Idaho

Item #3/ #9:

Renee reviewed audit and budget minutes from last year. There was confusion about our budget. 130 planned people. Need about a \$4000 income from in-service for travel for officers to NAAE and Region 1. No income this year, so leave a cushion. Proposed Budget:

\$5,000 for workshop supplies and tours

\$10,000 for food (\$90/person for 8 meals)

\$3850 IATA travel

\$650 for presenter gifts

Recommendation to raise registration for IATA in-service to \$150.

Justification: It is hard to do a good meal cheaply, and registration rates haven't increased since we started in-service. Districts hosting instead of individual chapters make it easier to plan and find sponsors to keep food costs low. Raising registration would bring in \$19,500 and allow workshop presenters to give more resources to increase the quality of our workshops.

Item #5:

The best thing this committee can do is to offer suggestions. This committee will keep a list of workshop topics and years so we can make valuable suggestions.

Item #6:

Jaysa moved that an IATA in-service host guide be created by past hosts so interested parties have an idea of what to expect. Casey will work with past hosts to create the guide.

Item #7:

We are behind on inducting new teachers; more time needs to be dedicated to that. 3-day schedule doesn't allow for "this is how you teach a kid to do this" type training. Ag Ed Academy. CSI wants to partner with IATA to make it happen. New teachers on the committee are willing to pay out of pocket for that opportunity. Present the idea at the breakfast tomorrow morning. Joe will work on creating a survey.

Item # 10:

Joe moved that Renee continue as committee chair. Casey 2nd. PASSED by unanimous consent.

REACH/IATA Workshop Topic ideas:

The following list was brainstormed as potential REACH, in-service, or Ag Ed Academy topics.

- Ag business basics
- Parliamentary procedure
- Content areas not required for a degree
- Ag mechanics – electricity, welding, small engines, teaching all of it, maintenance, safety/liability (especially for trailers), fabrication, purchasing, budgeting tools/consumables
- What to buy with IQPS
- How to coach livestock judging
- How to store engines/tools
- Precision ag
- Plant id
- Understanding your school district

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 am.