WAAE Business Minutes
Madison Marriott
6-27 & 29-06

I. The meeting was called to order by Keith Gundlach at 3:12 p.m.
II. Invocation was given by Jerry Wendt.
III. Two men from Southwest Tech gave away golf clubs as a result of a special drawing; also a chance to play in a foursome of golf at Sturgeon Bay, WI. Winners were Darrell Hines and Jason Hovell. Southwest Tech briefly promoted their two year associate degree program in golf course management.
IV. Review of Packet of Materials by Keith Gundlach. There were no questions by the members.
V. Paul Larson moved to approve the agenda with flexibility, seconded by Cal Geiger, motion passed.
VI. Jeff Hicken introduced the new members in the secondary system. They are as follows: Michelle Arbuckle, Lisa Barta, Melissa Leonard, Dennis McGraw, Michelle Meier, Nathan Papendorf, Jamie Pearson, Kory Stalsberg, Troy Talford, Lindsay Meissner, Jessica Anderson. David Laatsch presented the new members with the Agricultural Educators Creed and the Owl Advisor pin.
VII. Approval of 2005 WAAE Minutes. Dick Aide asked members to look at last summer's minutes in their conference book. Bret Iverson moved to approve the minutes as printed in the book, seconded by Mark Zuber. Motion passed.
VIII. Financial Report - Dick Aide
    A. Dick announced that the group will discuss the budget as printed in their conference book on page 25 and following.
    B. Dick discussed the printed budget with the members and then asked for questions and discussion.
    C. He informed the members of the new CDE account that is being taken over by the WAAE organization. Formerly the FFA Foundation handled this account.
    D. Dick pointed out the amount that the investments have made. The WAAE organization is in good financial shape at this time.
    E. Dick pointed out some mistakes in the report and had the members make the appropriate corrections in the book under the financial report. This is due to the increase in the past of the NAAE dues.
    F. The budget being presented is for the 2007-08 school year. WAAE is presently operating under the 2006-2007 year. WAAE completed the past year with 328 members.
    G. Dick announced that final approval of the 2007-2008 year will be voted on at the Thursday business meeting (6-29-06).
IX. Announcements - Dick Aide
    A. Dick asked the members to be more careful about filling in their registration forms as to how many are attending the Monday night social. Food ran short at the 2006 social.
    B. Dick also informed the members that he will be retiring as the Executive Director the summer of 2008. He informed the members as to how this

will take place.

X. Association Reports

A. NAAE Report - Paul Larson

1. Paul informed the members about changes taking place at the NAAE office regarding the marketing position, etc.
2. Paul also discussed what is happening with the Carl Perkins funding at the national level.
3. NAAE National Convention, Atlanta, GA. Dates: Nov. 28-Dec. 2
4. Paul announced that he will run for President-Elect of NAAE

B. FFA Center - Cheryl Zimmerman

1. Cheryl reported on what is happening at the FFA Center.
2. It was an exciting year with Jackie Mundt as President of the National FFA.
3. Mike Strands is now running for a national office for FFA.
4. Cheryl thanked everyone for making the State FFA Convention a big success. Next year more convention managers will be needed and she asked the members to think about this and volunteer. June 11-14, 2007 is next year's convention.
5. National Convention is moving to Indianapolis. Cheryl discussed what some of the differences will be at the convention in Indy.

C. Wisconsin FFA Alumni Association - Joyce Gust

1. Joyce gave a greeting from the FFA Alumni Assn. to the members.
2. Joyce announced some of the events that are coming up that are being sponsored by the FFA Alumni Association.
3. State Convention: Tomah in February - encouraged attendance.

D. Wisconsin FFA Foundation - Mary Gagnon

1. Mary thanked WAAE for inviting her to the conference.
2. Mary reported on the Foundation Board and what has been accomplished this past year. $277,000 has been raised this past year and this has exceeded the goal.
3. Mary reported on the Blue and Gold Society and how the dividends are used to benefit state FFA members. She also explained the Endowment Fund.
4. Total contributions of the Blue and Gold Society amount to 1.4 million dollars.
5. Mary also invited the members to attend either the north or south golf outings being planned in July. All proceeds benefit the Foundation's support of FFA members.
6. New Program: Organic Agriculture SAE Program
7. Problem with not all scholarship money being used due to restrictions put on by sponsors. She encouraged FFA Advisors to nominate appropriate students to use this scholarship money.

E. DPI - Jeff Hicken

1. Jeff reported on Forum to be held in Menasha in August on education. Burmaster will be there. Jeff wants some FFA State

Degree students to showcase their projects at this forum. He wants to see agriculture education promoted. October 13 there will be a forum at UW Platteville.

2. Ag for Science: How to offer ag classes for science credit? Talk to UW professors to see how to get science certification to do this. Work is being done on crossing of curriculums.
3. Ag Teacher and Science Teacher summit meeting this fall so these two areas can compare curriculums. They want 12 teachers in each area to study this issue. Talk with Jeff Hicken about being one of the 12 ag teachers on this project.
4. CAERT curriculum. Jeff pointed out the order form that was in each teacher's packet. Jeff will be available to show this curriculum in the LaCrosse room during the conference. He explained how this curriculum works to match curriculum with standards according to your state.

XI. The meeting adjourned to be continued on June 29, 2006.

XII. Keith Gundlach called the meeting back to order at 8:30 a.m. on 6-29-06.

XIII. New Members - Wisconsin Technical College System

A. Jim Gibson introduced the new instructors in the WTCS.
B. Jason Fischer from LTC, Kevin Esser from SWTC, Jeremy Hansen from FVTC, Chris Wellington from BTC and Keith Jerome from GTC.

XIV. Association Reports (continued) - Ferron Havens - WAC

A. Ferron Havens was introduced and brought greetings and information from the Wisconsin Agri-Business Council.
B. Ferron stressed the importance of keeping our legislators informed of the work of ag education and to encourage them to promote ag education.
C. Ferron also reminded that the WAC is always available for information and help for the Wisconsin Ag Educators.

XV. FFA Calendar - Cheryl Zimmerman

A. Cheryl passed out a calendar of events for upcoming events for the FFA members and advisers.
B. Sectional leadership workshops were stressed. Changes in usual dates were emphasized.

XVI. Financial Report. Linda Burton moved to approve the budget as presented, seconded by Warren Pickar, motion passed.

XVII. Committee Reports. The following committees presented reports on accomplishments, goals, and recommendations.

A. Curriculum - presented by Brad Sirianni
B. Public Relations and Promotions - presented by Linda Burton.
C. Farm Business and Production Management - presented by Jerry Wendt.
D. Safety committee report presented by Lori Berget.
E. Fund Raising committee report presented by Kim Houser.

F. CDE Committee report presented by Gordon Gasch.
G. Past Presidents report presented by Jenifer Bos.
H. SAE committee report presented by Jared Schaffner.
I. Soil Conservation committee report presented by Gary Beastrom.
J. Section I - Technology/Communications report presented by Arlaina Meyer.
K. Section II - FFA Alumni Support presented by Jerry Wendt.
L. Section III - Social report presented by Steve Schauf.
M. Section IV - Teaching Materials report presented by Shari Graffunder.
N. Section V - Resources (AV, etc. for summer conference) report presented by Jerry Wendt.
O. Section VI - no report at this time; Jerry Wendt reported that they are working on a new direction for their committee.
P. Section VII - Forestry report presented by Dave Glinieki.
Q. Section VIII - Ideas Unlimited report presented by Lori Rowe.
R. Section IX - Special Workshops emphasis has been eliminated. This committee is now focusing on Diversity.
S. Section X - Banquet report presented by Gretchen Brewer.
T. All committee reports were properly moved, seconded, and approved and applause was given to all for their hard work.

XVIII. Award Presentations

A. Awards were given for Ideas Unlimited. Award winners were Lori Rowe, Lisa Konkel, Brad Markhardt, Diane Fischl, Beth Kolodzinski, Gretchen Brewer, Dave Rizzardi, and Jay Kennedy (top winner).
B. Awards were given for Teaching Materials. Award winners were Jay Kennedy, Adam Wehling, Rebecca Wirkus, DeWayne Fossum, Cal Geiger, Roger King, Beth Kolodzinski, Shari Graffunder, Diane Fischl, and Lisa Konkel (top winner).
C. Diane Runde presented the awards for the theme participation "Ag Education - Your Trump Card". The Coke Team and The Micky Mouse Team were the winners (Kyle Igou, Arica Schlough, Gwen Dolph, Andrea Hanson).
D. The winners of the print raffles: Warren Pickar and Keith Gundlach.
E. Door prizes were then distributed. The grand prize winner of a weekend at the Marriott hotel was Tim Pedersen.

XIX. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.