

Post PDC Meeting – June 28th, 2013 @ 1:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Shari Graffunder at 1:06 pm.

Motion to approve the agenda with flexibility made by Kim Houser, seconded by Josh Rusk. Motion passed.

WAAE Board introductions were given as well as the State FFA Officer introductions. Cheryl Zimmerman thanked the WAAE board for allowing the officers to attend the meeting and WAAE Professional Development Conference.

Professional Development Review – Board members discussed different opinions of PDC.

- Liked the shuttle out to Bay Beach for pork chop picnic.
- Liked the efficiency of the banquet.
- Food was an issue – ran out of pork chops (was a weighting issue).
- New teacher meeting was too long and overwhelming.
- Positive comments about handing out the awards during the luncheon.
- Members would like more diversity of workshops.
- Shorten Thursday workshops and end at noon.
- Like social after banquet (better attended than in past years). Idea brought up to bring back casino night for 2014 (talk to DeForest – Dan Kvalheim).
- Ask Culvers to bring their custard trailer to the picnic and have frozen custard.
- Keep business session on Thursday in the morning with breakfast.
- Check on mentor/mentee relationships.
- Ask Craig Culver to be a keynote speaker for the 2014 PDC.
- Kevin Hoffman and Dan Ziegler have offered to find a new golf course for 2014.
- Bring back the photo directory!

PDC Tour Possibilities for 2014: Camp Randall, UW-Madison campus & new dairy facility (Steve Shank), EPIC, Mini Tube (Kevin Hoffman), Bio Medical Research facility (Troy Talford), Oscar Meyer, PADE Nelson (Linda Sattler).

Region III Tours for 2014: Wollersheim Winery, Dairy Facility (on Highway 12), Culvers for lunch, Carr Valley Cheese, Arlington Research Farm

Old Business:

Report given on the upcoming NAAE Conference – Will be held in Las Vegas from Dec. 4-7. If you are interested in attending, need to be there by the morning session on December 4th and need to stay until Saturday, December 7th after 2:00 pm. If you are interested in attending you MUST let Bridgett know on Monday, July 8th by 9:00 a.m.

New Business:

DPI Report – Jeff Hicken

Fall Inservices – Section 5 and 4 are going combine at EPIC in Verona. All sections have selected their date and time. Thank you to Bridgett for working with the board members to have this in place! Topics to be covered will include educator effectiveness and standards

Anyone interested in going to Farm Technology Days, should contact Jeff Hicken directly for more information for passes, however, they will need to pay for parking. The WAAE “outstanding” banners will be revealed and on display for the duration of the week.

Question about State Standards – There are teachers that are concerned they need to have all of the standards met during one, single class. This isn’t true – they would be met over their years in high school. Jeff will cover this during the upcoming Fall Inservices.

FFA Report – Cheryl Zimmerman

- Band/Chorus Applications – going well.
- National Judging – Craig Kohn, Sandy Cordes and Tim Heeg will be going to judge the Agri-Science, National Chapter and Proficiency Awards in Indianapolis at the end of July.

Thank You’s – Bridgett will be emailing you a list of thank you notes (2-3 people will be asked to write each note). Please make sure that you send you thank you notes.

Sectional Award Nominees – please get your information to Bridgett as soon as your section has made a decision. Josh emailed a Google form to his section for the Sectional Award Nominations. He will be emailing that to all board members and suggested that VP’s use it, as it helps with more of an anonymous nomination process.

Iowa Conference Packet – Since all of the CD’s and Farming Game disappeared it is assumed that members like the idea. If you haven’t given Jeanna comments from your section, please get that to her and we can come up with an idea.

If you send Shari Graffunder an email, and it bounces back, please call/text her so that she can “unblock” your email address.

WAAE Summer Work day will be held on August 14th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Portage County Library in Stevens Point. Board will be working on committee work as well as PDC review. All board members (Vice Presidents and alternate vice presidents) are encouraged to attend.

Troy Talford moved to adjourn the meeting, Kirk Kramp seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Houser, WAAE Past President 2013-2014