

WAAE Section \_8\_ Meeting Minutes  
\_October 9\_\_\_\_, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Section \_8\_\_\_\_ Vice President Rene Lehman @ \_\_\_\_\_1:05\_\_\_\_\_

- I. WAAE Executive Director Update
  - a. We welcome Leslie Svacina (Sa-chee-na) to the position.
  - b. Her contact information is on the WAAE website
  
- II. NAAE Conference Update  
Attendees from Section \_\_\_\_: Paul Larson  
**Remind members to let Leslie know if they are attending. Also they should have received an email about updating a google doc with their flight and hotel information**
  
- III. Comments from Dave Rizzardi on behalf of CEV (*unless he has presented already in the day*)
  
- IV. PDC Conference
  - a. Heading to Paper Valley in Appleton
  - b. June 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>
  - c. The WAAE Board of Directors is exploring the possibility of some of the training sessions will be held off-sight at the Fox Valley Technical College Campus
  
- V. Committee Nominations
  - a. **Use this as a time to make nominations to fill committee vacancies that you were informed of this summer. If there are questions, please reach out to Kevin Hoffman.**
  - b. **If anyone in your section is a committee chair and would like to have a room for a committee meeting at the 212 / 360 Conference, please have them contact Kevin Hoffman by October 23<sup>rd</sup>. If your inservice is after that date, please disregard this item.**
  
- VI. WAAE PDC Session Ideas needed
  - a. If interested in presenting a training session, please submit request online....do not just email Leslie
  - b. Directions for submitting proposals can be found at [www.waae.com/events](http://www.waae.com/events) under the "sessions" tab.
  - c. If you have ideas, please note that there is the capability to partner with post-secondary instructors on the Fox Valley Technical College campus. FVTC also has several lab spaces, equipment, tools, etc that can be utilized on their campus.
  - d. **Please create a list of ideas from your section to assist the WAAE Board in putting together a schedule.**  
Growing Greens, Forestry, Vet Science Tools, Bonzi, Turf tour – Timber Rattlers or GreenBay Packers, Canning and Processing
  
- VII. Region 3 Conference
  - a. Minnesota – June 21-23, 2016
  - b. North Dakota – June 2017
  - c. Region III Scholarships - \$1,000 is available for the group of members to attend; funds are split among attendees.
  
- VIII. Membership Update -
  - a. WACTE membership – 50
  - b. WAAE membership – 298
  - c. ACTE members/not WACTE members – 13
  
- IX. Workforce Development Council (WAEWDC)
  - a. Be watching for grant opportunities in the spring.

- X. The DuPont National Agriscience Teacher Ambassador Academy provides teachers the opportunity to learn how to incorporate more science into their curriculum, to make learning fun and challenging for students. More specific information can be found with this link - <http://www.naae.org/profdevelopment/nataa.cfm>
- XI. Sectional Committee Worktime:
- a. ***Discuss what is pertinent to your sectional committee for WAAE if applicable.***
- XII. WAAE Award Nominations:
- a. Applications MUST arrive to Leslie by December 18<sup>th</sup> and not postmarked by the 18<sup>th</sup>.
- b. You cannot bring your applications with to Halftime Conference as these will be scored online prior to the Halftime Conference!
- c. If you email your application in, it is preferred to be in a single PDF file (not multiple files). Most word document programs allow you to save the document as a PDF under the “save as” tab.
- d. Contact Leslie for a list of past award recipients if you need a list.
- e. **Outstanding Ag Program:**
- 1) **2015-16 Section \_\_8\_\_ Candidate: Lena**
- f. **Outstanding Ag Educators:**
- 1) **2015-16 Section \_8\_\_ Candidate: Missy Braun**
- g. **Outstanding Young Member:**
- 1) Definition of Outstanding Young Member Candidate: NAAE members who have completed at least three but not more than five years of teaching are eligible to apply for this award; members who are currently in their sixth year of teaching are eligible to apply.
- 2) **2015-16 Section \_\_8\_\_ Candidate: Amanda Leitz – Oconto Falls**
- h. **National Agriscience Teacher of the Year:**
- 1) **2015-16 Section \_8\_\_ Candidate: Rene Lehman**
- i. **Outstanding Post-secondary / Adult Program Award:**
- 1) **2015-16 Section \_\_8\_\_ Candidate: NWTC**
- j. **Teacher Mentor Award:**
- 1) **2015-16 Section \_\_8\_\_ Candidate: Lori Rowe**
- k. **Teacher Turn the Key**
- 1) This is a scholarship and not an award. Any interested person is free to apply. You should not be nominated to apply for a scholarship. It is however a lengthy application and honestly only the serious will take the time to complete it. It is for first year attendees of the NAAE Conference. **Amanda Leitz and Rachel Kroplien**
- l. State Award Winners also cannot apply for five years before being nominated again for that category.
- XIII. Adjourn