



Region III Meeting Minutes: 2020 Virtual NAAE Convention

The meeting was called to order by Mary Hoffmann.

The Flag Salute was presented by Betsy Becker from Iowa and reflections were presented by Jeremy Carkuff from North Dakota.

Mary Hoffmann, Regional Vice President, quickly reviewed and asked for adoption of the agenda. It was moved and seconded and approved.

Shari Graffunder presented the minutes from the June Region III Conference. Josh Christiansen, South Dakota, moved to accept the minutes as written. Troy Talford, Wisconsin, seconded. Motion passed. Shari also shared the link for the administration letters of appreciation form and the attendance roster.

Mary Hoffmann, Region III VP, gave the official welcome to the virtual conference.

Next, the introduction of state delegations occurred via the state presidents. The presidents who introduced regional members were, Betsy Becker from Iowa, Tim Larson from Minnesota, Colin Kubik from Nebraska, Jeremy Carkuff from North Dakota, Dani Herring from South Dakota, and Kevin Rauchholz from Wisconsin.

Then the President Elect Candidate Introduction Videos were played for the members.

Region III NAAE Committee Members were reviewed and the following are representing the region.

Finance - Eric Sawatzke, MN 2020-23; Glenda Crook, WI 2019-22; Vacant 2018-21

Marketing - Kimberly Hauser, WI (Chair) 2020-23; Mary Handrich, WI (Secretary) 2019-22; Wylie Scalise, SD 2018-21

Member Services - Darren Schwartz, WI 2020-23; Daniel May, IA 2019-22; David Leier, ND 2018-21

Policy and Bylaws - Julie Ketterling, MN (Candidate) 2020-23; Shari Graffunder, WI 2019-22; Vacant 2018-21

Professional Growth - Wendy Vandenboom, WI 2020-23; Paul Aarsvold, MN 2019-22; Roger King, WI (Chair) 2018-21

Public Policy - Marty Campbell, ND 2020-23; Kayla Loewenhagen, WI (Secretary) 2019-22; Linda Sattler, WI (Chair) 2018-21

Strategic Planning - Pam Koenen, MN 2020-23; Julie Mueller, SD 2019-22; Jessica Bester, MN 2018-21

Reminder: Each committee will have open positions in January. If you are interested in being on a NAAE Committee, you must do the online application and submit a MOU (both found on the NAAE Website), no later than December 31. Members interested should apply using the following: <https://www.naae.org/resources/committees/chairs.cfm#apply>

2019-2020 Membership Report

STATE	2019-20 ACTIVE	2019-2020 LIFE	ACTIVE & ACTIVE LIFE	2019-2020 STUDENT	2020 DELEGATE COUNT
Iowa	164	8	172	10	4
Minnesota	304	21	325	42	7
Nebraska	181	1	182	1	5
North Dakota	89	17	106	13	3

South Dakota	91	3	94	28	3
Wisconsin	309	4	313	118	7
TOTAL	1138	54	1192	212	29

2020 NAAE Region III Award Winners, Teacher Turn the Key Recipients, XLR8 Institute, Upper Division Agricultural Education Scholarship Recipients, FAST Participants were recognized.

2020 NAAE Region III Award Winners

- Outstanding Early Career Teacher – Tanasha Wanner, ND
- Outstanding Ag Ed Teacher – Darren Schwartz, WI
- Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Program – Badger High School, WI
- Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult Program – Chippewa Valley Technical College, WI
- Ideas Unlimited – Breanna Bregel, ND
- Teacher Mentor – Dr. Brad Greiman, MN
- Outstanding Service Citation – Rachel Sauvola, WI Lifetime Achievement Award – Paul Larson, WI
- Outstanding Cooperation Award- Culver Franchising System, LLC, WI

2020 Teacher Turn the Key Recipients

- Tess Mittag, IA
- Emma Huber, WI
- Alysha Kientopf, SD
- Rebecca Cronk, MN
- David Leier, ND
- Catherine Chmelka, NE

2020 Excellence in Leadership for Retention (XLR8) Institute

- Brady Eischeid, IA
- Jennifer Russell, WI

Upper Division Agricultural Education Scholarship Recipients

- Brock Fox, Southwest Minnesota State University
- Kathryn Lampi, University of Wisconsin – River Falls
- Madeline Weninger – South Dakota State University
- Katelyn Zimmerman – Iowa State University

FAST Participants

- Bridget Buol, Iowa State University
- Ethan Fetzer, Iowa State University
- Paige Stuber, University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
- Katherine Klingensmith, South Dakota State University
- Amelia Hayden, University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
- Kathryn Lampi, University of Wisconsin – River Falls

Then we recognized states for their accomplishments.

Membership and Professional State Awards

- 10% Increase in Membership – North Dakota
- Largest Student Membership for a State Association – Wisconsin
- Distinguished State Association Awards – Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin

Nominations

- Region III Secretary – Paul Aarsvold, MN has Applied & MOU is in
- Region III Vice President – Shari Graffunder, WI has Applied & MOU is in

It was moved and seconded to cast a unanimous vote. Motion passed unanimously. Elections will be with the President, President Elect Electronic Ballot available after the President Elect Speeches.

State Association reports were given by the following state presidents.

- o IA – Betsy Becker
- o MN – Tim Larson
- o NE – Colin Kubik
- o ND – Jeremy Carkuff
- o SD – Dani Herring
- o WI – Kevin Rauchholz

Committee Reports were presented by

- o Finance: Glenda Crook, WI
- o Marketing: Kimberly Houser, WI
- o Member Services: Daniel May, IA
- o Policy & Bylaws: Shari Graffunder, WI
- o Professional Growth: Paul Aarsvold, MN
- o Public Policy: Linda Sattler, WI
- o Strategic Planning: Pam Koenen, MN

The National FFA Update was given by Ben Meyer.

The 2021 Region III Conference update was given by the Wisconsin delegation.

Reminder committee MOU's for new terms are due by December 31, 2020.

An announcement was stated for the 2021 NAAE National Conference will be in New Orleans, LA from Nov. 30 - Dec. 4, 2021.

Kim Houser moved to adjourn and Josh Christiansen seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Graffunder