

November 1, 2005

**2005 NYSACAA Annual Meeting –  
Cornell University Roberts Hall Room 170**

Members present: Deming, Cerosaletti, Hadcock, VanLoo, Gallagher, Herendeen, Munsee, Kempisty, Wickswat, Julie Viveiros, Buxton, Roth, Westenbroek, Murphy, Tillapaugh, Ameroso, Putzen, and Regional Director Northeast Region Dave Myers. Self introduction of all present.

Meeting called to order at 2:10 p.m.

**Secretary's report** – minutes of the 2004 annual meeting presented by past secretary Wickswat.

- Minutes were distributed by email and hard copy
- *Motion by Hadcock second by Gallagher to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion carried*

**President's report** – Deming

- Met in December 2004 via video conference.
- Met in March 2005 in Albany with legislators and farm bureau on energizing agriculture issues.
- Met in May 2005 in Buffalo at ACCEE conference.
- Met in September via video conference.
- Surveyed all members regarding change in name of NYSACAA
  - 3 indicated change to NYSAAg Educators
  - 8 indicated adamantly no change in name
  - 1 suggested surveying non membersBottom line – name will not be changed.
- Attended JCEP conference in February 2005 and PILD conference in April 2005.
- There is now a new web news “ecountyagent”.
- Noted that this year's silent auction and spaghetti dinner will be to benefit NACAA national Katrina/Rita disaster fund.
- There have been questions regarding life memberships
  - Current policy is if you have been a member for 10 consecutive years as a NYSACAA member, NYSACAA will pay life members dues.
  - Working with Dave Weaver to update life members list.
  - No longer that a member has to retire from the extension system.

**Treasurer's report** – Westenbroek (see attached proposed 2006 budget and membership report)

- Changes from 2005 budget
  - No National meeting contribution (\$40,000)
  - CD interest down dramatically due to draw down and reorganization of CD structure.

- Savings \$10, 725.11 as of 10/15/05  
CD \$10,000 (rolls over)  
Checking \$2,489.03 (10/15/05)
- Discussed request from Cincinnati

***Motion made by Herendeen second by Wickswat that we support up to \$1,000 for hospitality at the 2006 annual meeting. motion carried.***

***Motion made by Roth second by Kempisty to amend the 2006 proposed budget to show \$1,000 of income and expense for the sponsorship of a hospitality booth at the 2006 annual meeting. Motion carried.***

- Kempisty clarified that CCE Director's office will sponsor \$500 toward first time AM/PIC meeting but a letter to Glenn Applebee is required request.

***Motion by Roth second Tillapaugh to contribute \$500 from NYSACAA savings toward reimbursements of NYS first time expenses to 2005 AM/PIC meeting. Motion carried.***

**Northeast Regional Director's report** – Dave Myers (see attached)

- There is a request for proposal for poster session at 2006 PILD meeting . This is a new item.

### **Old Business**

- ◆ National Meeting report – Herendeen – see attached powerpoint handout.
- ◆ The NYSACAA board presented Nate Herendeen with a handcrafted clock as a token of appreciation for all of his leadership and dedication as chair of the 2005 AM/PIC.
- ◆ National AM/PIC treasurer's report – Hadcock
  - \$71, 138 surplus from National meeting
  - \$5,000 will go back to NACAA making the balance \$66,138
  - Still a few outstanding bills to come in ~\$30,000
  - Discussions are underway as to how to handle this money in the future.
  - Steve reported that NYSACAA may have a tax liability due to National meeting and recommends seeking advice of professional accountant to see if NYSACAA can be registered as a 501 C6 organization.

***Motion made by Ameroso second Wickswat authorizing Steve Hadcock to enter into an agreement with an accounting firm up to \$1,000 to resolve issue regarding registering NYSACAA as a 501C6 and resolve income tax issues stemming from 2005 AM/PIC. Motion carried.***

**Awards** – Wickswat (see attached report)

### **New Business**

- NYSACAA Brochure
- DFBS Issue

- Anita received a letter from Wayne Knoblaugh seeking support. It was agreed NYSACAA board draft a letter in support for the Cornell DFBS program to the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.
- Anita recognized Steve Hadcock and Karen Baase for their long service to the NYSACAA Board of Directors.
- Monika Roth recommended that Anita/Cathy send a letter to Director Dillard requesting that the NYSACAA board be kept apprised and involved in the filling of Mike Hoffman's former position.

## **Elections**

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of directors and officers:

- NNY District – Bill vanLoo
- Western District – Jason Murphy
- Capital District – Dave Chinery
- Central District – Monika Roth
- Southeast – John Ameroso
- Officers:
  - President – Cathy Wickswat
  - Vice President – Paul Cerosaletti
  - Secretary – Lisa Kempisty
  - Treasurer – Molly Ames
  - Past President – Anita Deming

***Motion made by Westenbroek second Petzen to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot for the proposed slate. Motion carried***

- Installation of officers – oath of office administered by Dave Myers.

President Elect Wickswat recognized past President Anita Deming for her leadership as president over the past year and presented the customary gavel to her.

***Motion Hadcock second Kempisty to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.***

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Minutes taken by Paul Cerosaletti.