

National Farm and Ranch Business Management Education Association
Post-Conference Board Meeting
Thursday, June 12, 2008 10:30 PDT

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Gorman at 10:35 AM.

Members present:	President	Paul Gorman
	President Elect	Wayne Pike
	Past President	John Hobert
	Treasurer	Doug Wertish
	Secretary	Jay Olsen
	Membership Secretary	Virgil Dagman
	National Council Rep	Jay Olson
	2010 Conference Planner	Rick Morgan
	NFRBMEA Webmaster	Deb Pike

The agenda was presented by Paul Gorman, additional items added to the agenda were job descriptions, and officer compensation. In addition, the agenda items were re-ordered.

The board members introduced themselves.

Jay Olson updated the board on the National Institute. Discussion centered on a job description for hiring someone to organize and coordinate the training. Because this grant begins this year, a report is required to be given one year from now, following the conference in St. Louis. John indicated that because the grant is to train new instructors from MN, WI, and ND only, the training could easily be held pre- or post-conference and costs for new instructors to attend the conference and the training could be covered. The NFRBMEA board may consider using "First Timer" money for new instructors from *outside* the designated grant area to attend the 2009 Conference. John suggested the President Elect sit on the committee for one year. The National Institute committee is planning to meet in St. Cloud, MN to further organize.

John Hobert moved that the NFRBMEA Board empower the National Institute committee to administer the grant and authorize expenditures to the program. Motion seconded by Rick Morgan. Motion Passed

Paul Gorman reported on the 2009 Conference committee planning meeting held the previous evening. Suggested topics and speakers: Farm Trax, Power Point Training, Farm Financial Standards Council Report, Remote Farm Instruction (visits); tour possibilities may be Doanes, DTN, Monsanto, and Busch Ag. The planning committee is planning a conference call for July 29 and hope to fill in many of the blanks for the conference theme and agenda at that time.

Deb Pike indicated that she will update the website with the new board members and positions; she will need bios from the new board members and will take pictures following the board meeting. She will also order name tags and update registration list and procedures for the web discussion group for the 2010 conference planning committee and the NFRBMEA Board. The board joined Paul in a big thank you to Deb for all she does.

Wayne Pike reviewed membership and indicated that he will pass on information to the new Membership Secretary, Virgil Dagman.

2008 Conference wrap-up discussion centered on giving a big **thank you** to the planners, and the sponsors, the conference was very successful and met the expectations of everyone involved. Conference numbers were down as expected, due to location. Overall web conference registration hosted by CFFM went well but there was some disappointment in the information that was there, particularly concerning spouse and family tours and activities, this was probably more a reflection of CFFM not having the information to post to the website rather than the registration process. Doug Wertish indicated that a few invoices still needed to be paid. John also indicated that some sponsor donations still needed to be deposited before the conference income and expenses would be completed

John reviewed the conference sponsors for 2008 and requested that everyone email a thank you to each. Additional companies were suggested as potential sponsors for the 2009 conference, they include: Busch Ag. Resources, Doanes, Robo Bank, National Crop Insurance, DTN, as well as any energy, fuel and fertilizer companies.

Dates for 2008 fall board meeting were discussed, and coordination between the 2009 conference planning committee, the National Institute committee, and the North Central group was attempted. The board agreed that meeting all these schedules was very unlikely, the date for the NFRMBEA fall meeting was tentatively set for Sept. 29 -30 in St. Louis.

A conference call will be planned for the NFRBMEA spring board meeting and will be about one hour in length.

Wayne Pike volunteered to write job descriptions for Membership Secretary and Historian and submit to the board for approval at the fall Board meeting.

Compensation for Webmaster/Newsletter editor and possibly Treasurer was discussed. Discussion centered on the time commitment to fulfill the above mentioned duties. An attempt at tracking time has been made but no final number arrived at. Jay Olson made a motion to table discussion on compensation until the fall board meeting when job descriptions will be completed and submitted. John Hobert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Wayne Pike made a motion that compliance with 501(c)3 regulations has been met. Rick Morgan seconded the motion. Motion Passed

A motion was made to adjourn by Wayne Pike and seconded by Rick Morgan. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 AM.