Minutes of Annual Meeting, Oct 28, 2015
Holiday Inn Exec Center, Columbia, MO

President Sarah Denkler opened the meeting at 3:50 pm.

There were 52 members present and 2 guests.

Secretary - Joni Harper presented (on-screen) the minutes from the last meeting (Explore Missouri), June 24, 2015. Motion to approve by Todd Lorenz, second by Bob Schultheis. Motion passed.

Interim-Treasurer Patricia Barrett (Gordon Carriker is no longer with the association) presented the treasurer’s report on screen. Net income for the fiscal year was $787.65. Report included a budget of $7,269 for the 2015-16 year. Q and A about dollars collected by dues and spent for travel to PILD and JCEP. Motion by Patrick Byers to accept the treasurer’s report, second by Bob Schultheis. Motion passed.

Old Business
Conference Reports

Cory Creed have a report on Legislative Day.

Jim Crawford gave a report on the June 2015 MAEP Explore Missouri that he hosted in Northwest Missouri. Tour included: Advanced pork operation, wind farm and greenhouse horticulture. He explained the tradition of the Past President giving tours for the membership.

Brent Carpenter reported on attending the Annual Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD), April 2015 in Washington D.C. They celebrated the 150 year of the 1890 institutions. Attendees learned how to interact with Legislators.

Sarah Denkler reported attended the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Leadership Conference in Las Vegas, Feb 2015. Sarah participated and it was a good conference with training. Sarah and others addressed questions about JCEP and PILD and MAEPs involvement. Information about JCEP is available at http://jcep.org/

Sarah Denkler gave an informative and entertaining slide report of activities at the NACAA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference held in Sioux Falls, SD. Matt Herring was elected to the national office of secretary, again! Sixty-seven people attended from Missouri. Photo shots of tours, Sunday entertainment, group photo, states night out, etc.

Sarah acknowledged the service of several MAEP members holding NACAA leadership positions in 2015. Matt Herring as national secretary. Sarah Denkler has served as the national chair of the horticulture and turfgrass section. Other MAEP members have represented the north central region on leadership committees of the Professional Improvement Council: Patrick Byers, horticulture and turfgras and Todd Lorenz, aquaculture/seagrant. MAEP members giving national service as north central representatives to the Program Recognition Council: Travis Harper for Search for Excellence, Wayne Flanary for the Scholarship and Joni Harper for the Recognition and Award sections. New members can get more information at http://www.nacaa.com/countyagent

Sarah recognized members who received national awards at the AMPIC in Sioux Falls.

• Publication - NATIONAL FINALISTS - Growing and Marketing Elderberries in Missouri - Byers, Patrick with Cernusca, Mihaela M; Godsey, Larry D; Gold, Michael A.; Thomas, Andrew L.

• In addition, MAEP members presented a total of 9 posters and gave one presentation.

Presentation of Awards

Tim Schnakenberg recognized Wayne Flanary and Joni Harper as the 2015 Distinguished Service Award and Achievement Award winners for Missouri. Hall of Fame award was talked about.

Tim Schnakenberg presented the MAEP Ag Leader Award in recognition of outstanding contribution to Missouri Agriculture and the MU Extension agriculture program. Several applications were received. Tim noted that Orscheln Farm and Home sponsors this award.

Ag Leader Award presented to: Two were selected.
  • Dave Baker, retired Program Director of Agriculture for MU Extension. Nominated by Eldon Cole.
  • Bob and Andie Jackson – unable to attend. Nominated by Jennifer Schutter and Zac Erwin.

Committee Report:

Nominations for MAEP Secretary and Treasure:
Jim Crawford announced that Patrick Byers and Jim Humphrey have offered to run as MAEP secretary. Crawford asked for nominations from the floor. None taken. J. Crawford announced that Donna Aufdenberg, Wyatt Miller and Patricia Barrett are running for Treasure. J. Crawford asked for nominations from the floor. None taken. All candidates spoke from the floor about their involvement in MAEP and tenure in MU Extension. Written ballots were provided. Later in the meeting when ballots were counted by Robert Kallenbach, Jim Crawford announced Patrick Byers as newly elected secretary and Patricia Barrett as treasurer.

State Committee Leader Updates
• Patrick Byers was nominated to the Sustainable Agriculture committee, replacing Marlin Bates.
• Kent Shannon volunteered to chair the Teaching and Ed Technology committee, replacing Parman Green

Regional Representative Updates:
SW    Tim Schnakenberg
WC    Travis Harper
Urban Lala Kumar

New Business
North Central Regional NACAA report: Chris Bruynis, Ohio State University, gave the membership a report from NACAA. He asked what can NACAA do for us? He talked about diversity in Extension and NACAA partnership with outstanding young farmer. Chris told us about scholarship opportunities for us from NACAA. It the NC region offer up candidates for National President in Little Rock, AR. Chris closed his speech with an invitation to the 2016 AM/PIC meeting in Little Rock, AR July 24-28.

Changes to bylaws/constitution:
Jim Crawford presented the proposed changes to the bylaws/constitution. Changes as follows:

1) ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP AND DUES
B. Membership or participation is in no way limited nor prohibited by virtue of a person’s race, creed, sex, ethnic or national origin.

*Replace with* -The Missouri Agricultural Extension Professionals follows the University of Missouri non-discrimination policies pertaining to membership and participation in the association.

2) Section 3. Terms of Office
Section 4. Succession to Office
Members of the Executive Committee shall not succeed themselves in the same office. The Secretary is elected at the annual meeting each year. An upward progression will be used to fill the offices from Secretary, next year to President-Elect, next year to President,

*Add* - next year to Immediate Past-President. A member is eligible to serve in the leadership succession again a minimum of 3 years after their term of Immediate Past-President expires.

3) ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
Section 1. The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at the annual meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose. One-half of the membership shall constitute a quorum. The membership shall be informed of such amendments or changes at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting.

The by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the executive committee.

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Reorder -

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Motion to except changes made by Tim Schnakenberg. Motion was seconded by Darla Campbell. All approved.

Sarah Denkler introduced KB Paul and Toria Eton from Lincoln University.

Sarah Denkler presented Dave Baker with a gift from MAEP and a life time membership to NACAA.

*Program Leader Report, Rob Kallenbach* - newly installed and working on learning his new role.

Sarah Denkler presented the State Officers for 2015-2016
Sarah Denkler, Past President
Brent Carpenter, President
Joni Harper, President-Elect
Patrick Byers, Secretary
Patricia Barrett, Treasurer (2015-2018)

The gavel was passed to Sarah Denkler by Brent Carpenter with a big “thank you” plaque.

*AMPIC dates*
July 24-28, 2016 - Little Rock, AR
July 9-13, 2017 - Salt Lake City, UT
July 29-Aug 2, 2018 - Chattanooga, TN
September 8-12, 2019 - Ft. Wayne, IN

Brent Carpenter adjourns the meeting at 5:01 PM.
Present:

Submitted by

Joni Harper

Joni Harper
MAEP Secretary