Minutes of Annual Meeting, Oct 22, 2014
Holiday Inn Exec Center, Columbia, MO

President-Elect Sarah Denkler opened the meeting at 3:50 pm. President Jim Crawford was unable to attend.

The meeting agenda was presented on-screen. Motion to approve by Ted Probert, second by Patrick Byers. Motion passed.

Copies of the minutes from the last meeting, June 12, 2014 were distributed. Motion made to approve the minutes as presented by Pat Miller and second by Wayne Flanary. Motion passed.

Treasurer Gordon Carriker presented the treasurer’s report on screen. Net income for the fiscal year was $988.18. Report included a budget of $6800 for the 2014-15 year. Q and A about the budget for memorials. A restricted account has been established, funded from member donations. Q and A about dollars collected from the auction. Motion by Darla Campbell to accept the treasurer’s report, second by Bob Schultheis. Motion passed.
(Chronologically, treasurer’s report followed new member introductions, upon completion of the audit committee’s review.)

Old Business
Conference Reports
Sarah Denkler reported that Jim Crawford attended the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Leadership Conference in Memphis, Feb 2014. Sarah participated in the Annual Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD), April 2014 in Washington D.C. Sarah and others addressed questions about JCEP and PILD and MAEPs involvement. Information about JCEP is available at http://jcep.org/

Kevin Hansen gave a photo report on the June 2014 MAEP tours near Chillicothe which including grazing research, fish farming, and greenhouse horticulture. He explained the tradition of the Past President giving tours for the membership.

Sarah Denkler gave an informative and entertaining slide report of activities at the NACAA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference held in Mobile. Matt Herring was elected to the national office of secretary! The size of the Missouri contingent was second only to Alabama. Photo shots of tours, Sunday entertainment with Randy Owens, group photo, states night out, etc.

Sarah acknowledged the service of several MAEP members holding NACAA leadership positions in 2014. Mary Sobba has served as national chair of the Professional Improvement Council. Joni Harper has served as the national chair of the Agronomy and Pest Management section. Dan Downing has served as national chair of the Natural Resources and Aquaculture/Seagrant section. Other MAEP members have represented the north central region on leadership committees of the Professional Improvement Council: Eldon Cole, Animal Science, Sarah Denkler Horticulture and Turfgrass. MAEP members giving national service as north central representatives to the Program Recognition Council: Travis Harper for Search for Excellence and Wayne Flanary for the Scholarship section. New members can get more information at http://www.nacaa.com/countyagent/2013-04.pdf

Sarah recognized members who received national awards at the AMPIC in Mobile included the team of Jim Quinn, Tim Baker, Patrick Byers, and Pat Miller in the category of Search for Excellence: Sustainable Agriculture. Patrick Byers was recognized as a SARE fellow. Patrick Byers received the national award in the category of Search for Excellence: Crop Production. Matt Herring received the Distinguished Service Award. Patrick Byers received the Achievement Award. In addition, MAEP members presented a total of 13 posters.
**Presentation of Awards**

Patrick Byers and Matt Herring were presented with their state recognition of the Achievement Award and Distinguished Service Award. Photographer Tim Schnakenberg.

Tim Schnakenberg presented the MAEP Ag Leader Award in recognition of outstanding contribution to Missouri Agriculture and the MU Extension agriculture program. Five applications were received. Tim noted that beginning this year Orscheln Farm and Home is making a donation to the award winners.

**Ag Leader Award presented to:**
Dr. Anson Elliot, Professor and Department Head, School of Agriculture at Missouri State University. Dr. Elliott has led the MSU agriculture program since 1980 through many significant changes and has influenced a generation of ag science students, including many current extension specialists. Nominated by Patrick Byers.

Jules and Alice Willott, Audrain County farmers. The Willott’s have worked with the extension program for many years, most recently in a long-term soils study with 170 plots, providing tours and absorbing financial hits with research failures in furtherance of a better understanding of crop, nutrient, soil relationships. Nominated by Charles Ellis.

**New Members**

**State Committee Reports**
- Agronomy, Joni Harper. Joni is rotating off. RFP will come out by theme, generic and specific, New theme not known. Normally have a super seminar. 15 min presentations and AMPIC. Matt requests to go off as state chair.
- Natural Resources committee, Dan Downing. Todd coming on as NCR vice chair. Committee hosted a preconference tour this year. Cornell rep is current chair.
- Hort and Turf, Sarah Denkler. Sunday seminar went well with master gardeners in attendance as well as NACAA members. Hope to do a tour again in 2015.
- Animal Science, Eldon Cole. Encouraged pre-conference tour. Had a good 2-day tour covering Alabama north to south. AS committee reviews proposals for presentations.
- Search for Excellence. Travis Harper. Outstanding work from Missouri. 3 regional winners, 2 were national winners.
- Scholarships, Wayne Flanary. 11 applications. Awarded ten. Apply as individual, or as a group. Committee presents to the board. Opportunity to publish in NACAA Journal. Encourage publications. Several MO folks are peer reviewers.

**Nominations for MAEP Secretary**
Kevin Hansen announced that Joni Harper and Jim Humphrey have offered to run as MAEP secretary. Hansen asked for nominations from the floor. None taken. Written ballots were provided. Joni and Jim each spoke from the floor about their involvement in MAEP and tenure in MU Extension. Later in the meeting when ballots were counted, Kevin Hansen announced Joni Harper as newly elected secretary.

**State Committee Leader Updates**
- Debi Kelly was nominated to the Sustainable Agriculture committee, replacing Marlin Bates.
- Max Glover was nominated to the Agronomy and Pest Management committee, replacing Matt Herring
- Kent Shannon volunteered to chair the Teaching and Ed Technology committee, replacing Parman Green
- Dan Downing noted the Natural Resources/Aquaculture committee was for the outstanding farmer award. Noted it may not be needed any longer. Dave Baker says to continue.
- Tim Schnakenberg volunteered to replace Mary Sobba on the Recognition and Awards committee.
Regional Representative Updates:
LU  Charlotte Clifford-Rather, not present
EC  Charles Ellis will continue
NW  Tom Fowler will continue
SE  Donna Aufdenberg will continue

New Business
MAEP is allowed to help at the AMPIC in Sioux Falls, SD. We have not yet been asked to serve, but may volunteer when we arrive.

Look for information from Jim Crawford on the 2015 Explore MO tour.

Matt Herring reports that NCR regional position is a state rotation, Missouri is not eligible for several years.

Recognition of State Award Winners
Certificates were presented for communication awards in various categories: Wayne Flanary, Jim Crawford, Wayne Crook, Todd Lorenz, Amie Schleicher. Newsletter team award: Kent Shannon, Joni Harper, Heather Smith, Wendy Rapp, Gene Schmitz, Parman Green, Todd Lorenz. (Tim Schnakenberg photographer)

Program Leader Report, Dave Baker
• Thanks to Willotts who have supported extension for a long time. Thanks to Anson for partnership, and impact in SW MO.
• Revenue generation: Confusion about some recent messages from campus. Percentages have not changed.
• Curriculum committees: four are currently working, plus some special projects. Hiring grad students to help write the curriculum. Basically paying their assistantship. Faculty are the expert panels. Challenge is to get it done along with other regional responsibilities.
• Regarding national meeting, Dave will support posters again. Will work some more on the format of the template. Would like to see posters get some critique prior to printing. Dave wants more wins. Dave supports national meeting with families and hospitality rooms.
• Reporting. Dave wants to share some of the state and federal reports with ANR specialists. Global Food System and Environmental Concerns teams capture everything we are doing. ANR is part of the teams. Not either/or, but us together. Annual report from extension didn’t show much from ANR. Needs impact data, not counting numbers. Dave is making a special effort to pull national service for reporting. Will probably do a slick ANR annual report. Working to simplify reporting system. Do not need a timesheet. Dave working on that. MyVita. One place to report. Budget is tight. Don’t know if ANR will get to have a meeting this year. Cuts coming. Working with MSU, similar challenges.

AMPIC dates
July 12-16, 2015, Sioux Falls, SD
TBA - 2015 Explore MO
July 24-28, 2016 - Little Rock, AR
July 9-13, 2017 - Salt Lake City, UT
July 29-Aug 2, 2018 - Chattanooga, TN

Tofu presentation to Matt Herring in recognition of his national office.

Sarah Denkler adjourns the meeting at 5:03 PM.
Present:

Submitted by
Brent Carpenter
MAEP Secretary