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FACAA Annual Membership Meeting

World Golf Village St Augustine, Florida **September 25, 2007 3:00pm – 4:30pm**

AGENDA

Call to Order –Mike Sweat
Invocation – Doug Mayo
Introductions of new members/first time attendees
Reading and Disposal of Minutes of 2007 Mid-Year Meeting – Teresa Olczyk
Treasurers Report – Gerald Edmondson
Budget, Finance Report & Membership Report – Gerald Edmondson
Audit Report – Joe Walter
Southern Region Director's Report – James Devillier, Louisiana

Old Business

Committee Reports – see 2007 Annual Report

EPAF Update – Mike Sweat

FAC/Country Store Update – Doug Mayo

Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Mike Sweat/Pat Hogue

Educational Foundation Update – Pat Hogue

2007 NACAA AM/PIC Update – Mike Sweat

New Business

FAE4-HA 2012 Bid Proposal Update

Sunbelt Ag Expo Update – Liz Felter

2008 NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out – Doug Mayo

FACAA District Director Nominations – District "Senior" Directors

Nominating Committee Report – Liz Felter

Presentation of the Gavel

Adjourn



Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents 2007 President's Report

2007 has been a busy and productive year for the Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents. In addition to quarterly Board meetings, the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Conference was held in Nashville providing the opportunity for NACAA Southern Region collaboration in late January. Our association held a very successful Mid-Year meeting at the Farm Bureau Building in April, and the Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD) Conference was held in Washington, D.C. This conference provided the opportunity to bring the Extension message directly to our Senate and House members. Our exhibit at the Florida Association of Counties was truly a "team" effort with other Florida agent associations to promote Extension to County Commissioners and staff from every county in the state. Grand Rapids, Michigan was the host for the 2007 NACAA AM/PIC in July; Florida was well represented with an outstanding delegation of FACAA members. During the meeting, the national association adopted Florida's model for the new NACAA Recruitment Brochure. And finally, in August, FACAA continued the tradition of thanking our Farm Bureau Director's with a barbeque at the Austin Carey Forest Lodge. It has been a busy year!

FACAA membership continues to grow with many new faces, I would encourage every new and existing member to become involved in activities of your association. Carefully review this Annual Report and find where you can best serve and provide assistance, it may be as a committee member, committee chair or working on the many special projects and activities throughout the year.

Serving as your FACAA President over the past year has been a very rewarding experience. It has been an honor and a privilege to work with such a great association. I cannot adequately express my thanks to my fellow officers for their support during the past year. John, Doug, Theresa, Gerald, and Liz have all worked tirelessly to support FACAA. I would also like to thank the entire membership for their help in making this a successful year.

Sincerely,

Mike Sweat

FACAA President

All lives



Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents 2007 Vice President's Report

Serving as your Vice President this past year has given me an opportunity to really get acquainted with the inner workings of the Association. As you look over the pages that follow, you will begin to realize how large the body of work that your Association has accomplished this year. It takes all of the members working through committees and the board of directors to make a difference. No one person could accomplish all of this, but together we can make a difference.

I hope that as you review this information, you can find a role you might be interested in, and be willing to provide leadership for the Association in the future. This report serves as the official record of the accomplishments as well as the recognition or honors provided to our members and supporters. Almost every bit of the work of the association is done behind the scenes in between our every day tasks. It really takes a report of this magnitude to highlight the cooperative work that makes the Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents truly an organization to be proud of and an organization worth serving in. As an Association, we only meet formally twice per year, so the work must be done by committees focused on specific tasks and a sound leadership team. I think after reviewing this report you will find that we have great leadership and also widespread member involvement. Our organization is only as strong as the contributions of the individual. Certainly we had that this year. FACAA is not a social club run by a select few, but a professional organization made strong from the contributions of all of the members each adding a different point of view and a different set of talents.

Truly Yours,

Doug Mayo

Vice President, FACAA

Douglas E. Mayo

FACAA PAST PRESIDENTS

1936-37 K. C. Moore	1978-79 Gil Whitton
1937-40 Fred Craft	1979-80 E. J. Cowan
1940-42 Paul Hayman	1980-81J. Lowell Loadholtz
1942-44 John Henry Logan	1981-82 Bobby L. Taylor
1944-46 Ed Finlayson	1982-83 Albert D. Dawson
1946-49 M. U. Mounts	1983-84 Jack J. Spears
1949-51 E. N. "Norbo" Stephens	1984-85 Clayton Hutcheson
1951-53 Alec White	1985-86 Jesse Godbold
1953-55 Jim Watson	1986-87 Dr. John A. Baldwin
1955-57 Lonnis Blitch	1987-88 Robert M. Davis
1957-59 R. E. "Bob" Norris	1988-89 Bobby R. Durden
1959-60 Harry Brinkley	1989-90 G. Tim Hurner, Jr
1960-61 James T. Oxford	1990-91 Jim Dilbeck
1961-62 Lloyd Rhoden	1991-92 Marvin F. Weaver
1962-63 Ralph T. Clay	1992-93 Sidney L. Sumner
1963-64 K. Harper Kendrick	1993-94 H. E. "Ed" Jowers
1964-65 John H. Causey	1994-95 Dallas B. Townsend
1965-66 W. W. Glenn∖	1995-96 Harold Jones
1966-67 0. R. Hamrick	1996-97 Clay Olson
1967-68 Ken Clark	1997-98 James F. Selph
1968-69 Levi M. Johnson	1998-99 Lawrence A. Heitmeyer
1969-70 W. C. Farrell	1999-00 William L. Schall
1970-71 Horace Carr	2000-01 Charles A. Williams
1971-72 Jean Been	2001-02 Robert Hochmuth
1972-73 Paul Dinkins	2002-03 Patrick Hogue
1973-74 Edsel Rowan	2003-04 Henry Grant
1974-75 John Russell	2004-05 Gene McAvoy
1976-77 Tom Braddock	2005-06 Liz Felter
1975-76 Leonard Cobb	2006-2007 Mike Sweat
1977-78 Jack Hayman	



Section I – Organization

NACAA/FACAA Organizational Information

FACAA has a list serve (batch email) setup on the IFAS email system. The FACAA list serve address is FACAA-L@LIST.IFAS.UFL.EDU. This is the recommended way to communicate with FACAA members. This list serve is up-dated by the FACAA Treasurer. Two important web sites to mark as favorites on every FACAA member's computer are: (1) http://facaa.ifas.ufl.edu and (2) http://www.nacaa.com.

Several FACAA committees are linked to NACAA. This means the NACAA structure requires member state associations to conduct the work of these committees. NACAA-linked committees are organized in one of three national "councils". The councils are:

- 1. Program Recognition (Awards and Recognition)
- 2. Extension Development
- 3. Professional Improvement

Program Recognition

This component contains the award-based programs that have been a very traditional part of NACAA. Members can enter competitive contests that highlight the following areas: Communications, Extension Programs, 4-H & Youth, Professional Excellence, Public Relations, Recognition and Awards, and Scholarship. Current programs that target specific subject matter or include a travel study tour will be assigned to the appropriate Professional Improvement Committee or Extension Development Committee. As new competitive awards programs are introduced they would be placed into this block. All programs in this component are expected to identify sponsors and secure adequate funding to operate each award activity. Where possible the sponsor's funding should include all committee expenses.

Extension Development

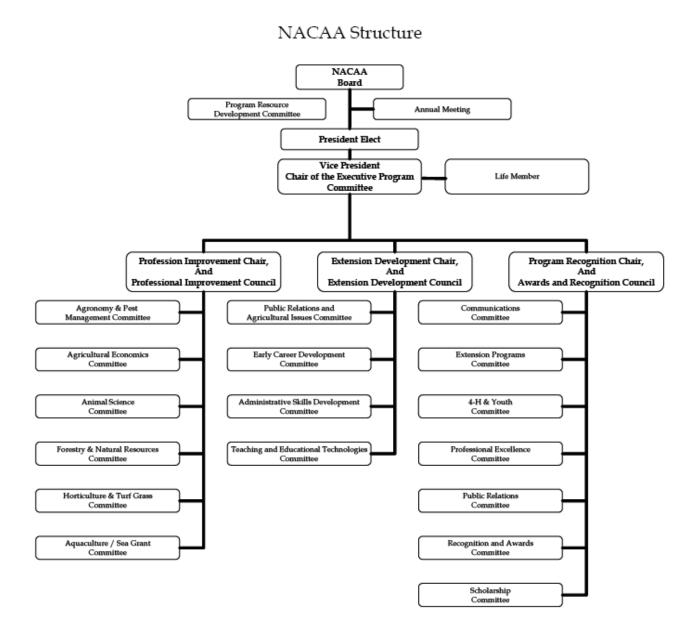
This component is designed to enhance our members in the area of general Extension training. One common thread among NACAA member is the fact that we are all Extension Agents/Educators. Therefore it is imperative that our organization strengthen and continue to offer training in how to become a better extension professional. This is the one area that effectively separates NACAA from other subject specific professional organizations. These sub-areas would not be subject matter specific, but rather would cover broad, general extension related topics that could focus on the following: Public Relations and Agriculture Issues, Early Career Development, Administration Skill Development, and Teaching and Educational Technologies. Each of these broad headings would become a Committee.

<u>Professional Improvement</u>

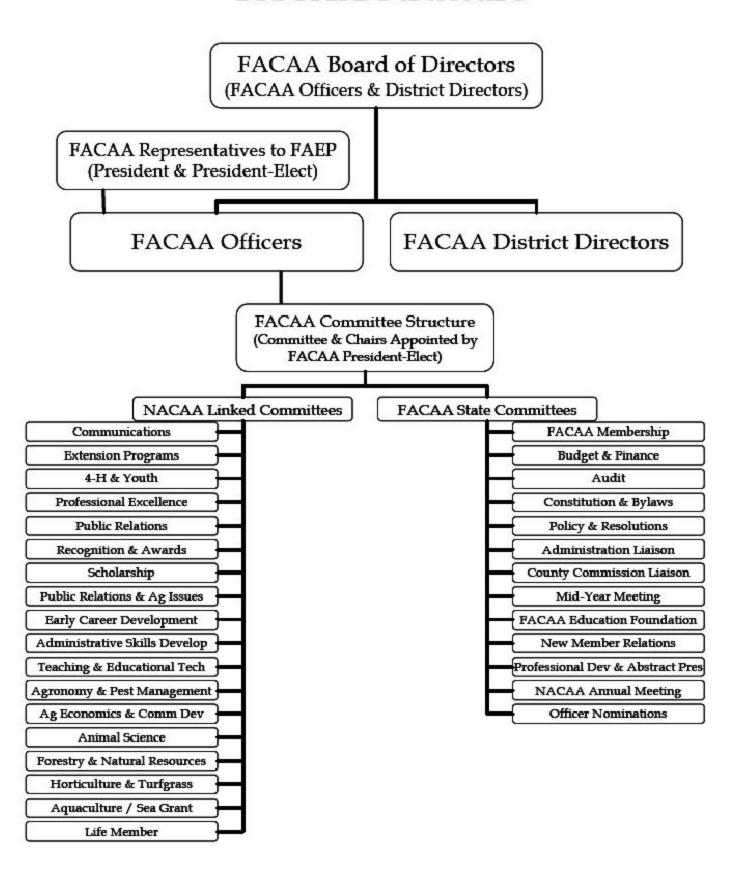
Our members have indicated a need for opportunities to present and receive specific subject matter information. This component was created and designed to better fulfill our mission: "... to further the professional improvement of our members..." as written in the NACAA mission statement. This area is devoted to enhancing the opportunities for our members to become more knowledgeable and competent in subject matter areas in which they work. Examples of training activities that might be included within this category include: discussion groups, seminars, refereed papers, demonstration sharing, study tours, and interstate/international exchanges. Six broad, fundamental subject matter areas were identified that would encompass the vast majority of work done by Extension agents/educators across the country. That list includes: Agronomy & Pest Management, Agricultural Economics, Animal Science, Forestry & Natural Resources, Environmental Horticulture, and Aquaculture/Sea Grant. Each of

these six broad subject matter areas would comprise a Committee. Additional committee categories can be added in the future or existing areas modified to better meet the needs of NACAA members. Each of these broad groups under the Animal Science Committee might include: Range/Pasture Management, Bio-Technology in Livestock, Beef Nutrition, Dairy Breeding, Swine Genetics, Rotational Grazing, and Animal Waste Management. This short list is not meant to be all-inclusive.

NACAA Councils and their associated committees provide opportunities for NACAA members to make regional and national presentations relative to their individual work experiences. This current structure provides opportunities for NACAA members to develop and implement regional and even national programs within their discipline that will meet objectives and goals contained in their annual Plan of Work.



FACAA Structure



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2006-2007 Committee Assignments

NACAA LINKED COMMITTEES

Agronomy and Pest Management

Muralles, Lester - Chair Gadsden Strickland, Stacy Hernando Jim Devalerio Bradford

Ag Economics

Rafie, Ray - Chair Miami-Dade Andreasen, Andy Washington

Harrison, Les Leon

Animal Science

Burton, Wendy - Chair Bradford
Walter, Joe Brevard
Wilson, Nola Marion
Brent Broaddus Hillsborough

Aquaculture/Sea Grant FACAA Officers

Horticulture

DelValle, Terry - Chair
Chapman, Carla
Culbert, Dan
Gabel, Kim
Duval
Marion
Okeechobee
Monroe

Hunsberger, Adrian Miami - Dade Moll, Jim Hernando Rainey, Don Sarasota Seals, Linda Brevard Popenoe, Juanita Lake Doug Caldwell Collier

Laura Miller Hillsborough

Forestry and Natural Resources

Nistler, David - Chair Clay
Gaul, Steven Nassau
Foerste, Eleanor Osceola

NACAA Extension Program Recognition Council Linked Committees:

Communications

Sanders, Cindy - Chair Alachua
Burton, Wendy Bradford
Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Harper, Kiley Palm Beach

Powell, Laura Polk

Rainbolt, Christine Palm Beach Wilbur, Wendy Alachua Doug Caldwell Collier

Extension Programs

Andreasen, Andy - Chair Washington Mattis, Pam Duval

Olczyk, Teresa Miami-Dade Jacobson, Dee Dee Highlands Wilson, Nola Marion Zekri, Mongi Hendry

4-H and Youth

Maddox, Martha - Chair Sumter Carlson, Christa - V Chair Desoto Wilson, Nola Marion

Brent Broaddus Hillsborough Roger Elliott Escambia

Professional Excellence

Breman, Jacque - Chair
Culbert, Dan
Jacobson, Dee Dee

Union
Okeechobee
Highlands

Public Relations

Dana Venrick - Chair Volusia
Griffis, David Volusia
Jacobson, Dee Dee Highlands

Recognition and Awards

Hogue, Pat - Chair Okeechobee
Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Grant, Henry Gadsden
Zerba, Raymond Clay
DelValle, Terry Duval
Dale Bennett Wakula
Ray Zerba Clay

Eleanor Foerste

Ed Jennings Pasco
Jim Selph DeSoto
Bill Schall Palm Beach
Gene McAvoy Hendry

Scholarship

Tyson, Richard - Chair Seminole Walter, Joe Brevard

NACAA Extension Program Development Council Linked Committees:

Public Relations and Ag Issues

Skvarch, Ed - Chair St Lucie Co Landrum, Linda Suwannee Harrison, Les Leon

Early Career Development

Whidden, Alicia - Chair Hillsborough
Burton, Wendy Bradford
Brent Broaddus Hillsborough
Robert Kluson Sarasota

Administration Skills Development

Dinkins, David - Chair St. Johns Godke, Rick Duval Jarvis, BJ Pasco

Teaching and Educational Technologies

Culbert, Dan - Chair Okeechobee
Beth Bolles Escambia
Gabel, Kim Monroe
Seals, Linda Brevard

FACAA STATE COMMITTEES

Administration Laison

Selph, Jim - Chair Desoto
Felter, Liz MFREC
Sweat, Mike Baker
Brenneman, John Polk

Annual Meeting

Sweat, Mike - Chair Baker
Brenneman, John - Vice Chair Polk
Maddox, Martha Sumter

Budget and Finance

Edmondson, Gerald - Chair Okaloosa Walter, Joe Brevard Bennett, Dale Wakulla

Constitution and By-Laws

Shuffit, Mark - Chair Marion
Powell, Laura Polk
Landrum, Linda SVREC
Felter, Liz MFREC

FACAA Educational Foundation

Felter, Liz - Past Pres-Chair MFREC Hogue, Pat Okeechobee Hochmuth, Robert **SVREC** Sweat, Mike - Pres Baker Brenneman, John - P Elect Polk Mayo, Doug - V Pres Jackson Edmondson, Gerald - Treas Okaloosa Olczyk, Teresa - Sect Miami-Dade Friday, Theresa - Dist 1 Santa Rosa

Rudisill, Ken - Dist 1

Bay
Burton, Wendy - Dist 2

Nistler, David - Dist 2

Clay
Strickland, Stacy - Dist 3

Welshans, Jennifer - Dist 3

Osceola
Oswalt, Chris - Dist 4

Broaddus, Brent - Dist 4 Hillsborough
Halman, Robert - Dist 5 Collier
Parmenter, Darrin - Dist 5 Palm Beach

Professional Development and

Abstract Presentation

Brown, Pam - Chair

Pinellas

Breman, Jacque Union

Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Chapman, Carla Marion
Jordi, Becky Nassau
Parmenter, Darrin Palm Beach

Powell, Laura Polk

Rice, Ron Palm Beach Seals, Linda Brevard Wilson, Nola Marion Zekri, Mongi Hendry

Policy and Resolutions

Ed Jennings - Chair Sumter,
Dinkins, David St. Johns
Thomas, Bill Columbia

County Commisssion Laison

(Country Store)

Brenneman, John - Chair Polk
Mayo, Doug - V Chair Jackson
Powell, Laura Polk
Liz Felter MFREC

Mid-Year Meetings

Jordi, Becky - Chair Nassau Chapman, Carla Marion

NACAA Annual Meeting

Brenneman, John - Chair Polk Mayo, Doug - Vice Chair Jackson

FACAA Board Members

New Member Relations

Hunsberger, Adrian - Chair Miami - Dade Gabel, Kim - Vice Chair Monroe

Brent Broaddus

Officer Nominations

Felter, Liz - Chair MFREC Sweat, Mike - Vice Chair Baker Grant, Henry Gadsden Hochmuth, Robert NFREC-SV Hogue, Pat Okeechobee McAvoy, Gene Hendry

Audit
Walter, Joe - Chair Brevard Hillsborough Miller, Laura Foerste, Eleanor Osceola

NACAA LINKED ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Life Member

Loadholtz, Lowell - Chair Brevard - Retiree



SECTION II – FACAA Reports Meeting Minutes

FACAA – Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents

2006-2007 Annual Report

FACAA Annual Membership Meeting

September 13, 2006 Marco Island Marriott Hotel

There were 84 members and guests present including Henry Dorough, the NACAA Southern Region Director from Alabama..

The meeting was called to order at: 8:23 am

Welcome and introductions were made by President Liz Felter.

The **invocation** was provided by Henry Grant.

The **minutes from Midyear meeting** were approved as presented by Secretary Doug Mayo. The motion was made by Pat Hogue and 2nd by John Brenneman. The motion passed.

The **Treasurer's Report** was given by Treasurer Gerald Edmondson. The checking account balance through September 7 was \$7,765.01, the Educational Foundation balance was \$88,720.45 and the savings account balance was \$4,977.56. With additional donations the Share FACAA Educational Account was opened at \$103,268.20. A motion was made to approve the treasurers' report with a change of the typo on the 2nd page by Clay Olson, 2nd by Brent Broaddus. The motion passed.

Budget and Finance Report: \$18,400 was reported by Gerald Edmondson as the total budget allocated for FACAA to operate with in 2007. A motion made by Henry Grant with a 2nd from Dan Colbert to accept the budget with the correction of EPAF in place of FAEP. The motion passed.

Jane Morse gave the **membership report**. There were 166 FACAA members in 2006. This was an 8.5% membership increase from last year. An email reminder was sent out through the List Serve to ensure that everyone paid their dues by year's end.

John Brenneman reported that the **annual audit** was carried out and reported that the financial records were in good order.

Elaine Courtney & Mary Beth Salisbury came from **FEAFCS** to request FACAA's help to promote the sale of the Simply Florida Cookbook similar to the Kentucky Cookbook. Simply Florida.org is the website where the order form and information can be found. Cook books are on sale until December 31 for \$28 delivered, \$23 picked up at the local Extension Office. The cookbook focuses on Florida Agriculture and great taste, but each recipe is nutritionally analyzed. December 1 is the official role out date for the cookbooks. FEAFCS hopes to use this income to fully fund the Mary Harrison Scholarship fund as well as additional professional development scholarships.

Liz Introduced **Henry Dorough, the NACAA Southern Region Director**. Henry thanked FACAA for inviting him to come to Marco Island. Henry serves in Talladega, AL but is originally from Florida. Henry recognized the large contingent that attended the NACAA meeting in Cincinnati from Florida. Next year the AMPIC will be held in Grand Rapids Michigan and Henry promised there would be no boiled fish, only boiled peanuts. Henry tried to

share the promotional video for the national meeting, but because of technical difficulties was not able to. NACAA has an attendance goal for the AMPIC of 35% of the membership. Florida would need to send 60 members to help achieve this goal. Florida had the largest number of award winners in NACAA. Pat Hogue has volunteered to work on the Galaxy Conference Committee. More committee volunteers are needed to serve for the Galaxy Committees. The national board is also seeking volunteers for national NACAA committees. NACAA scholarships are available. Applicants must make a \$40 donation to apply. Florida has contributed \$9,631.94 and only received \$6500 in national scholarships. Henry informed members of the recent death of Dr. Larry Turner, Dean of Ag in Kentucky, in a plane crash. Henry asked the members to keep his family in their prayers.

Committee reports were dispensed due to time constraints. The motion was made by Ed Jowers with a 2nd by Rebecca Jordi. The motion passed.

Educational Foundation report was given by Pat Hogue. Bob Hochmuth and Pat Hogue agreed to serve as co-chairs until the \$100,000 goal was reached. That goal was reached in July. The account was established with \$103 K. The \$50K match will be applied for. Share's goal is to draw 8%. This coming year there should be \$4100 available for scholarships, and after the match is added \$6300 for annual scholarships there after. A history of donations has been created, because each member will be required to make a minimum donation of \$100. All future donations will go to the FACAA Scholarship Foundation account number 13135.

The **County Store** at the Florida Association of Counties report was given by Mike Sweat. This year was different because all of the associations participated along with the Dean of Extension to host 3 commercial booths at the FAC annual meeting in Marco Island. Follow up letters were sent to every person who stopped by and left business cards for the drawing. In the coming year the FAC will be meeting at the Sea World Renaissance Hotel June 12-14.

Bob Bochmuth gave an update on the **committee handbook**. There are 30 FACAA committees with information on the FACAA website. 20 of the 30 existing committee chairs updated the information for their committees and the changes have been made to the web site.

Director Elections—The membership was divided into districts to elect new directors. District 1 selected Theresa Friday, District 2 selected David Nissler (1) and Wendy Burton (2), District 3 selected Stacie Strickland, District 4 selected Chris Oswalt, and District 5 selected Robert Hallman.

FACAA brought the **NACAA Board** some **recommendations** for the award application process and rules. Pat Hogue, Brent Broaddus and Liz Felter served as a committee to develop written recommendations. One of the recommendations was to allow non-NACAA member recognition. The NACAA took Florida's written recommendations and agreed to pass them along to the Committee Chairs for formal review.

Farm Bureau dinner September 19. To date only 5 members had volunteered. Volunteers were need to report at 5:00 pm to help set up. Members were asked to contact Liz by email to sign up. Last year there were 30 agents on hand. Larry Arrington will pay \$300 to have tables and chairs delivered by UF services.

Sunbelt Expo. Liz Feltler reported that UF/IFAS will have its own building this year. Set up will be Monday, October 16. A ribbon cutting will be held on Tuesday, October 17. This is not a static trade show but an interactive exhibit. Henry Grant was in charge of set up. Les Harrison was in charge of volunteer management. UF has had a rented tent in the past, so the building is a big improvement. The Sunbelt Expo is sponsoring an alumni social at 5:00 pm for Georgia and Florida on Tuesday, October 17.

Nominating Committee report was given by Gene McAvoy. Secretary this year comes from District 5,. The recommendation for the 2007 secretary was Theresa Olczyk. Motion was made by Ed Jowers to accept the nominating committee report. Motion was made to close nominations by Pat Hogue and Dan Culbert 2nd. The nominating committee report was approved. The 2007 slate of officers and directors will be: Past President, Liz Felter; President, Mike Sweat; President Elect, John Brenneman; Vice President, Doug Mayo and Secretary Theresa Olczyk.

Liz Felter reported on the **accomplishments for the 2006 year**. The county store being combined with administration and the other associations was a success. The building and exhibit at Sunbelt Expo will be a great improvement. And of course, the Foundation \$100K goal being reached brought a rousing applause to the completion of another successful year.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ed Jowers and seconded by the entire assembly as they rose to depart. The meeting adjourned at 9:41 am.

FACAA Board of Directors Meeting

September 11, 2006

The FACAA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Liz Felter at 3:45 PM at the Marco Island Marriott Hotel.

The invocation was given by Doug Mayo.

Introductions were made. In attendance were Doug Mayo, Liz Felter, John Brenneman, Gene McAvoy, Henry Dorough (AL), Pam Brown, Ken Rudisill, Don Goode, Brent Broaddus, Darrin Parmenter, Gerald Edmondson, Doug Caldwell, Jennifer Welshams, and Randy Bateman.

Officer and Committee Reports

The meetings from the June Board of Directors meeting were approved as presented, moved by Edmondson and 2nd by McAvoy. The motion passed.

The **treasurer's report** was presented by Gerald Edmondson. The Educational Foundation Savings Account was closed out with an ending balance of \$88,720.45 which was transferred to the new Share FACAA Educational Foundation account. The savings account balance was 4,977.56 and the checking account balance was \$7,765.01. Brenneman moved and Brown 2nd the motion, and the report was approved as presented. The motion passed.

FAC/Country Store - Liz Felter and Mike Sweat reported that it was a successful merger of all Associations and IFAS Administration into one display. FACAA has volunteered to take the lead with lining up volunteers to man the booth for the next two years. 2007 Country Store will be held June 12-14 at the Renaissance Sea World Hotel in Orlando. The booth had an incredible display of ag products as well as a computer with access to the Solutions for Your Life web site. A suggestion was made for next year to add a screen and projector to the display to make a better presentation of the web site to those visiting the booth. There was a good showing of people to volunteer. All of the commissioners who left their business cards for the drawing received a personal letter thanking them from stopping by the booth.

FACAA Committee Handbook Revisions -Bob Hochmuth was not in attendance to report. Liz reported that Bob took on the job to make revisions to the committee guidelines. The revisions are currently posted to the website.

Committee Reports -John Brenneman presented the 2006 Annual FACAA Report in print for each of the Board Members. The complete annual report was also loaded onto the FACAA website, since only board members and officers received hard copies.

NACAA AM-PIC Report—Sweat reported that 1400 people attended the NACAA meeting in Cincinnati, 32 members and 3 life members attended from Florida. 58 attended the state's night out at Campenellos Resteraunt. The next NACAA meeting will be July 15-19 in Grand Rapids Michigan.

NACAA Awards Recommendations. Liz Felter reported that the NACAA Board was very open to the recommendations presented by the Florida delegation. Since Florida had taken the time to put their thoughts together in a written format, the board of directors passed Florida's recommendations on to the Council Chairs for review. Changes could be in place by 2007.

Sunbelt Expo report was given by Liz Felter. Florida now has a building that is under construction, 40' x 60' with a 20' porch at the Sun Belt Ag Expo in Moultrie, GA. There is a committee of folks working on

the decoration and designing. The theme will be water. Banners will hang from the ceiling and there will be a meandering path guiding visitors through the exhibits. Solutions for Today will be the Extension exhibit. Dr. Cheek came up with a \$30,000 budget for the display which will include tables and chairs and other items that will be permanent. All of the exhibits will be set up on October 16. Henry Grant will coordinate set up. Les Harrison of Leon County will coordinate volunteers.

Educational Foundation- Liz Felter reported that the account did reach the 100,000 mark and a celebration was planned for the Wednesday breakfast. Pat Hogue later reported that over \$104,000 has been deposited to start a share account. The first year's interest to be used for scholarships will only be drawn on the original deposit of \$104 K. The \$50,000 match has to be applied for through the legislature and will not be available until 2007. The account is guaranteed to return 8% interest each year with 2% going back to share and 2% back into the account, so only 4% will be available for scholarships to the members. Hogue said that in previous years, the Sunbelt Expo had made annual donations of \$750 to the association that were added to the educational account. Pat proposed that the Board use the \$750 from 2006 and beyond towards the expenses of the PILD. McAvoy made a motion that the \$750 annual donated by the Sun Belt Expo just be added to the general FACAA budget with no target set. Sweat seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A **Farm Bureau Dinner** for all of their state directors was set to be held at the Horse Teaching Unit on September 19. Larry Arrington provided \$300 to have the tables and chairs set up and torn down. Agents were requested to show up at 5:00 PM to decorate and greet. Later, servers and clean up crew workers will be needed. Currently only 5 people have signed up to help. Mike Sweat said he knew of others who were willing to help. President Felter agreed to solicit support during the annual meeting.

Mike Sweat reported that **EPAF** had 399 people register for the Marco Island conference, 297 were full teerm registrations and 175% of the room night commitment was met. There were a number of printing errors on the EPAF schedule books. IFAS had a photographer on hand to develop an Extension Recruitment Brochure. All of those in attendance at EPAF were encouraged to have a photo taken for the brochure. Tuesday's retirement luncheon was the responsibility of FACAA as was the Dean's Dinner, so volunteers were be needed to collect meal tickets.

In the past, FACAA had a position called the **Archivist** (Historian) who kept all of the old records for the Association. Gene McAvoy recommended to the Board that the position be added again. Austin Tilton held the position until he became the Southern Region Director and passed the files to Lawrence Heitmyer. This was an appointed position. Gene was duly appointed and approved as the new Historian by the Board of Directors.

Liz announced the District 2 currently has no active directors. Both postions were decided to be elected at the general membership meeting with one serving one year and the second two.

The next Board meeting will be held on Friday, December 8 at the Gainesville Farm Bureau Building.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

FACAA Board Meeting

December 8, 2006 Farm Bureau Building, Gainesville, FL

The FACAA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Mike Sweat at 9:30 am.

The invocation was given by Doug Mayo.

Introductions were made. In attendance: Mike Sweat, Doug Mayo, John Brenneman, Brent Broaddus, Darrin Parmenter, Dan Culbert, Teresa Olczyk, Wendy Burton, Chris Oswalt, Stacy Strickland, David Nistler and Pat Hogue.

The President Mike Sweat informed the board members that 1:30 p.m. there will be a meeting with the Associate Dean Dr. Millie Ferrer for board members of all associations. He asked for the questions for dean and stated that several questions were already submitted but more questions will be faxed to the Dean's office before 11:00 am.

Reading and approval of minutes:

The minutes from the September 2006 Board of Directors meeting were prepared by Doug Mayo, presented by Teresa Olczyk and approved as amended. Moved by Brent Broaddus and seconded by Wendy Burton. The motion passed.

The treasurer's report:

The report was presented by President Mike Sweat in absence of Treasurer Gerald Edmondson.

The savings account balance was \$4,994.09 and the checking account balance was \$4,949.05. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by John Breneman, Second by Wendy Burton. Motion Passed.

Mike requested a list of members who paid the dues – some names are missing from the list. Mike will contact Gerald and ask him to send a reminder e-mail about deadline to pay membership dues. In some cases county administration delays the payments and members may not be aware about this situation.

FACAA had 166 members last year.

DSA and AA Awards deadline for submission of names is January 9, 2007 If not all members will renew their dues, Florida will have lower # of DSA and AA awards available.

Motion to send a reminder about membership dues was moved by Doug Mayo, John Brenneman seconded. The motion was approved.

EPAF update:

Mike Sweat presented a report from the Dec 7, 2006 meeting of the EPAF Board of Directors.

- This year EPAF will take place 24-27 of September, 2007 at the World Golf Village in St. Augustine.
- The EPAF Board discussed location for the Opening Event on Monday. One of the possibilities could be at the St. Johns County Ag. Center. David Dinkins will submit proposal to EPAF Facility Chair about this location. Another possible location for the opening Event could be The Lightner Museum (Downtown St. Augustine/ problem with parking there). The Ag. Center location looks more reasonable.
- Dr. Marilyn Norman presented a proposal to consider a partnership with the Florida 4-H Foundation to organize a golf tournament. The EPAF board feels that this is possible and could work with the conference. The EPAF board will work with Dr. Norman on this event. Changes in the program to accommodate the golf tournament and give agents more options for professional development are being explored.
- Another cost saving idea is to have the tabletop displays use 1 table for 2 displays.

After President Sweat's presentation the FACAA board discussed additional ideas for the improvement of the EPAF meeting (changes in the program to make it more attractive).

Potential locations for future EPAF meetings were discussed (Destin, Panama City Marriott, Orlando Buena Vista Palace, and Marriott at Marco Island).

Proposal has been made from Marriot Corporation for a multiple year contract to avoid raising costs of rooms.

EPAF 2008 Conference will be held at the Buena Vista Palace in Orlando (\$118 room rate). The EPAF Board chose this location for 2008 since it was in a central location and offered the best contract proposal of the 4 presented. The traditional conference rotation would have moved to the Northwest District; however the proposal from available facilities was much more expensive.

The EPAF Board asked each association to poll their membership to determine if there is support to sign a 5 year contract. (Yearly rate increase will be only 4%).

Questions for members: Do we want to continue with rotations to provide opportunities to see different areas of the state or stay in one location for 5 years to reduce an overall cost of meetings. EPAF Chair Maia McGuire will develop a survey to be used by each agent association.

Additional board discussion on the future of EPAF:

- Doug pointed that overall goal is to keep the registration down.
- Mike: We need more educational opportunities for agents (attendance at educational events and displays is generally poor).
- Mike-166 members of FACAA will be participating in the survey to decide about future locations for EPAF. District Directors were encouraged to help get participation.
- Doug and Dan: Consider the idea of having EPAF in Gainesville.
- Mike: Hilton is too small and can't handle the EPAF Conference.
- Brent: We should approve a 5 year contract in central location to keep the cost down.

Educational Foundation:

Pat Hogue reported that the account has been opened with SHARE and \$104,000 has been deposited there. The Board needs to write a letter for the SHARE office to receive a \$50,000 state match (it will be available in 2007). Mike Sweat will sign the letter.

We should be able to start accepting scholarship applications in 2007. There is a list of qualified members who had direct deposits from the paychecks to the NACAA 2004 conference (Pat Houge has a complete list of these individuals).

DSA and **AA** Awards:

Pat Houge reported some challenges the Recognition and Awards Committee is facing to ensure that all districts are equally represented on the committee. One of the members from District 5 will retire in 2007 and there is not another DSA winner in the district to replace him

Pat Hogue proposed the idea to change the bylaws to be able to recruit members (DSA) at large for this committee if having representatives from each district will be not possible. Discussion on board to take action on this topic (bylaws change) in the fall.

At the present time the FACAA board decided to amend the policy:

Motion by Doug Mayo: To amend the policy by adding the words that the members of the Award and Recognition Committee shall be previous DSA winners unless it is not adequate representations by district. Then the AA winners who are not eligible yet for DSA could be members of the committee. Brent Broaddus seconded. Motion passes.

Sunbelt Expo 2007:

Florida now has a building, more room for exhibits. The 2006 Expo was a successful event. The committee is already working on improving next year exhibits.

Florida Association of Counties/Country Store:

John Brenneman will be responsible for organizing the Country Store in 2007. The 2007 Country Store will be held June 12-14 at the Renaissance Sea World Hotel in Orlando. John asked to appoint one person from each district to coordinate donations and delivery of items

John asked to appoint one person from each district to coordinate donations and delivery of items for the Country Store to Orlando. Set up is June 12, 2007 in the afternoon. Volunteers will be needed. Participation in this event is good for new members; we need to have a good representation.

JCEP (Joint Council of Extension Professionals):

The meeting will be held January 31-February 2, 2007, Nashville Tennessee. President and President Elect of each association will attend.

New Business:

Mid year meeting:

Becky Jordi is a mid year meeting chair. Dates: April 10, 2007 Board meeting; April 11, 2007 Mid Year meeting. Location: Gainesville. Lunch will cost \$15-16. Doug Mayo moved to approve the date for the Board meeting on April 10, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. Wendy Burton: seconded. Motion passed.

States Night Out at NACAA/AM-PIC 2007:

Dates: July 15-19, 2007. Location: Grand Rapids, Michigan. John Brenneman is in charge to coordinate arrangements. He has already 25 responses. There is no decision about the restaurant yet. John is cooperating with organizers of the NACAA conference. States Night Out will be on Tuesday.

Dr. Joan Dusky proposal for the FACAA annual business meeting 2007:

Dr. Dusky is proposing to have a FDACS presentation on DACS crop insurance during the FACAA annual membership meeting in September. The Board discussed this idea. The conclusion: We can't give time for this presentation during the business meeting. The agenda is very tight and there will be no time for FDACS presentation. Instead the proposal was suggested to have the presentation on crop insurance during Extension Symposium in May or during the Mid-Year Meeting. Mike Sweat will present the board decision to Dr. Dusky. Dan Culbert suggested exploring the possibility of a POLYCOM presentation.

Discussion on Website:

Mike Sweat presented concerns related to the EPAF website (no minutes, no pictures). Similar concerns were brought up about FACAA website. Dan Culbert stated that having an updated website is a matter of time and commitments from committee chairs and officers. Doug proposed that Secretary should get minutes from the board meetings to webmaster to be posted on the web in 30 days after board meeting.

Discussion followed on the need to decide what to keep and what the content of the website should be. Job descriptions for the committees needs to be there. Secretary could be a contact person. Mike Sweat will talk to Beth Boles (webmaster) to give her update on this discussion. Focus should be on items which are the most important (committee handbook, membership list, meeting minutes).

The importance of increased communication with the FACAA Webmaster was discussed.

With no further business, motion to adjourn was brought by Wendy Burton and seconded by Doug Mayo, approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Teresa Olczyk FACAA Secretary

FACAA Board of Directors Meeting

April 10, 2007 Farm Bureau Building, Gainesville, FL

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Sweat at 3:00 p.m.

The invocation was given by Doug Mayo.

Introductions were made. In attendance: Mike Sweat, Doug Mayo, John Brenneman, Brent Broaddus, Darrin Parmenter, Teresa Olczyk, Liz Felter, Jennifer Welshans, Gerald Edmondson, Chris Oswalt, David Nistler and Pam Mattis.

Reading and approval of minutes:

The minutes from December 8, 2006 Board of Directors meeting were prepared and presented by Teresa Olczyk and approved by the board members. Moved by Liz Felter and seconded by John Brenneman. The motion passed.

The treasurer's report:

The report was presented by Treasurer Gerald Edmondson. (See attached file).

Directors' reports:

Reports will be presented on April 11, 2007 during the FACAA Mid-Year meeting.

Old business:

- 1. President Mike Sweat presented a report related to the JCEP and PILD (Joint Council of Extension Professionals and Public Issues Leadership Development Conference).
- 2. <u>JCEP:</u> Opportunity for the southern region extension association's leadership to meet as a group, International opportunities were presented by David Sammons, Director of UF IFAS International Programs.
- 3. <u>PILD:</u> Conference will take place in Washington on April 23-25, 2007; Mike and John will represent FACAA; PILD is an opportunity to develop better relationship with the legislators and ask to support IFAS initiatives. Dr. Cheek did not assign funds to sponsor lunch for this function this year, Mike Sweat called for coordinating the" Talking points" to be presented to legislators.
- 4. **Sun Belt Ag Expo update:** Liz Felter gave the report:
 - 27 booths were displayed in the IFAS building, main topic-water and water issues.
 - 34 of booths were interactive, huge response from visitors.
 - Georgia displays were close to IFAS building- their count: 75,000 visitors in 3 days; proposal to buy clickers for counting visitors; promotional items were

given away; -- "Solutions for Your Life" IFAS website- rapid increase in number of visits, with average over 3 minutes /visit spent at the website (Sept, 2006-58,000 visits, January 2007-90,000 visits); most often visited topics: 1) lawn & garden, 2) local extension offices, 3) Ag. producers, 4) nutrition.

• Sun Belt expo 2007 – some changes will be made; signage issues will be resolved, potential topic: "Animals and Youth".

5. **Country Store Update** was given by John Brenneman:

- Date: June 12-14, 2007; location: Renaissance Sea World Orlando;
- John received a good response from the association on promotional and giveaway items for the country store. He needs help in setting up the booth and in maintaining the booth. He will send the reminder to other associations for help.
- Liz and Mike will help with the set-up; Liz will bring 200 plants.
- Other donations will be coordinated from the districts.
- "Fish bowl" for business cards, drawing the names for the prizes; other associations will supply gift baskets for drawing.

6. **Educational Foundation update** was given by Liz Felter:

- 12/22/2006 Mike had signed the document placing \$100,660.45 in the SHARE account.
- The Educational Foundation will receive \$ 50,000 state match. This match should be added to the account by July 1, 2007. The fund will be used for scholarships for agents- members of FACAA.
- Mike Sweat stated that the FACAA board needs to make a recommendation to allow at least a year for the account to generate the interest and develop a procedure for awarding the scholarships.
- Doug stated that the EPAF Annual meeting in St. Augustine will be a good place to make these recommendations.
- The Educational Foundation Committee will put this proposal for the membership vote.

New business:

7. **EPAF update:** was given by the president Mike Sweat:

Mike Sweat presented a report from the Dec 7, 2006 meeting of the EPAF Board of Directors.

- This year EPAF will take place 24-27 of September, 2007 at the World Golf Village in St. Augustine.
- The EPAF Board meeting took place at the hotel site, Mike and John represented the FACAA.
- Monday night opening event will take place at the St. Johns County Ag. Center.
- Ag. Insurance session will take place Wednesday afternoon, at the same time there will be several tours scheduled.
- 5 year contract for EPAF meeting was signed after the vote was taken among associations (total number of votes: 222; 140 members voted "yes" for signing the

5 year contract with Buena Vista hotel in Orlando. This contract will stabilize pricing for the room rates. Many of the association members felt that having the annual EPAF conferences in the same location will decrease attendance.

8. National 4-H Conference in Orlando, 2012:

Mike Sweat stated that the FACAA will be asked to sponsor and help with this Conference.

- 9. <u>Galaxy 2008</u>: Indianapolis, IN (September 14-18, 2008); all associations will meet there. FACAA members are encouraged to participate.
- 10. NACAA/AMPIC 2008 will take place in Greensboro, NC (July 13-17, 2008).
- 11. <u>States Night Out in Grand Rapids:</u> John Brenneman is responsible for organizing this event, several restaurants are available in the walking distance, "Bulls Head" could be a possible choice.
- 12. **Discount for the NACAA/AMPIC attendance:** Michigan will provide a discount if 35% of the association membership will attend the annual conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan. For FACAA this number will be 58 active members attending this conference.
- 13. **FACAA Brochure:** Liz Felter presented a newly design FACAA recruiting brochure. NACAA wants to adapt the Florida's brochure for the national use.
- 14. **Next FACAA Board of Directors meeting** was scheduled as a POLYCOM Conference on May 30, 2007 at 10 a.m. eastern time. The secretary will arrange the POLYCOM sites for this meeting.

With no further business, motion to adjourn was brought by Liz Felter and seconded by Doug Mayo, approved.

Meeting adjourned at 5.00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Teresa Olczyk FACAA Secretary

FACAA Mid-Year Meeting

Farm Bureau Building Gainesville, FL April 11, 2007 Minutes recorded by Teresa Olczyk, FACAA Secretary

Call to order at 9:35 a.m.

There were 43 members present at the meeting.

Welcome and introductions were made by President Mike Sweat. Board members and officers were recognized and asked to introduce themselves.

The **invocation** was provided by Doug Mayo.

The minutes from September 13, 2006 Annual Membership Meeting at Marco Island were provided to the membership. Gene McAvoy made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Pam Mattis. The motion carried.

The treasurer report was presented by Gerald Edmondson. (See the attached treasurer report file). The treasurer's report was approved as presented. Larry Hakey moved and Pam Mattis seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Old business:

Committees' reports:

- Mid-year Meeting Committee report was provided by Rebecca Jordi.
- Communications Awards Committee Chair, Cindy Saunders said there were 55 entries from Florida, and the winning entries have been sent on for regional competition. Florida had the most entries from the NACAA Southern Region.
- **Public Relations Committee** report was given by Dana Venrick. There were two entries; Liz Felter was a winner for the "Gator day banners" (12 banners promoting ag, commodities).
- **4-H Youth Committee:** President Mike Sweat gave the report on a behalf of Martha Maddox. There were 4 applications; the winner is Christa Carlson form Manatee County.
- **Search for Excellence Committee:** In the absence of the chair Andy Andreasen, Teresa Olczyk gave the report. There were three entries this year, one in financial management and 2 in animal science. By the time of the FACAA Mid year meeting the chair did not send information about winners.
- Recognition and Awards Committee: Pat Hogue reported that there are 3 Distinguished Service Award (DSA) winners from Florida for 2007 they were Andy Andreasen, Larry Williams and Beth Bolles. The Achievement Award (AA) recipients 2007 from Florida are Maia McGuire and Pam Mattis

All committees' reports will be published in the FACAA Annual Report 2007.

JCEP and PILD report was given by President Mike Sweat.

The **JCEP** (Joint Council of Extension Professionals) meeting took place in February 2007 in Nashville, TN. This meeting gives an opportunity for the southern region extension associations' leadership meeting and networking.

The **PILD** (Joint Council of Extension Professionals and Public Issues Leadership Development Conference). This meeting will take place in Washington on April 23-25, 2007; Mike and John will be representing FACAA.

PILD is an opportunity to develop better relationship with the legislators and ask to support IFAS initiatives. Dr. Cheek did not assign funds to sponsor lunch for this function this year. Mike Sweat called for coordinating the" Talking points" to be presented to legislators. John Brenneman stated that this meeting is not restricted to the association officers. Other members can attend if they express an interest.

The Sunbelt Ag Expo update was given by Liz Felter. 27 booths were displayed in the IFAS building, main topic-water and water issues, ¾ of booths were interactive (great response from visitors). Georgia displays were located close to the IFAS building- their count: 75,000 visitors in 3 days; - proposal to buy clickers for counting visitors; promotional items were given away; Sun Belt Expo 2007 – some changes will be made; signage issues will be resolved; potential topic: "Animals and Youth". DED John Baldwin is in charge of the 2007 committee.

The Country Store update was given by John Brenneman: The Country Store will be organized at the "Florida Association of Counties" annual conference, location: Renaissance Sea World Orlando; Date: June 12-14 2007.

John received a good response from the association on promotional and "give-away" items for the country store. He needs help in setting up the booth and in maintaining the booth. He will send the reminder to other associations for help. Last year the IFAS administration purchased 3 booths. Other professional associations will be present there with FACAA and are obligated to help gather the "give away" and promotional items.

Educational Foundation Update was presented by Pat Hogue.12/22/2006 President Mike Sweat had signed the document establishing the "Educational Foundation SHARE Account". At this time the account has \$104,000. The Educational Foundation will receive \$50,000 state match. This match should be added to the account by July 1, 2007. The fund will be used for scholarships for the agents- members of FACAA. Bob Hochmuth and Pat Hogue discussed the options for awarding scholarships. This year about \$4,000 could be given in scholarships; in 2008 this amount will double. In the future it will be \$15,000 in scholarships given/year. \$500/year will go for the students' award.

The discussion was continued on developing the criteria and application form for the future scholarship recipients. The criteria should be posted on the FACAA website. Members who contributed to the fundwill be eligible for scholarships. Pat Hogue has a master list from the last Foundation breakfast held at 2006 EPAF. Gerald Edmondson has a partial list of people who contributed to the FACAA scholarship fund. Pat will send this list to the membership. Many FACAA members had a payroll deduction in 2003-2004 contributing to the NACA/AMPIC (Orlando in 2004). We need to find this list. Doug Mayo mentioned that NACAA has

scholarships available for members contributing \$40. Southern Region contributes more money than other regions.

(Break 15 min.)

EPAF update was given by President Mike Sweat. Mike and John are voting members of the EPAF board of directors. This year EPAF conference will take place 24-27 of September, 2007 at the World Golf Village in St. Augustine. Monday afternoon there will be a 4-H golf tournament; Monday night opening event will take place at the St. Johns County Ag. Center. Starting in 2008 EPAF meetings will take place at Buena Vista hotel in Orlando. The five year contract for EPAF meeting was signed after the vote was taken among associations (total number of votes: 222; 140 members voted "yes" for signing the 5 year contract with Buena Vista hotel in Orlando. This contract will stabilize pricing for the room rates. Mike and John expressed concerns about possible decrease in attendance if the annual EPAF conference will take place at the same location for 5 years. The FACAA members voted "No" on the 5 year contract.

New Business:

2007 NACAA/AMPIC: Mike Sweat and John Brenneman provided the national meeting report. The detailed information on the national meeting is in the recent copy of the County Agent Magazine. The national meeting will be held Grand Rapids, Michigan. This is a great opportunity for professional development with opportunities to present, attend seminars and workshops, participate in the professional development tours and network with agents working in similar fields. The Northwest airlines offer 10% discount for the conference attendees. NACAA Scholarship applications are due by June 1, 2007. Members must have also contributed at least \$40 prior to application to be considered.

John gave an update on the "The state's night out". This will be an opportunity for the Florida delegation to have dinner and spend time together Tuesday evening. John is considering several restaurants; the possible choice is "Bull's head tavern".

"Solutions for Your Life" IFAS website update was given by Liz Felter. The website had rapid increase in number of visits, with average over 3 minutes /visit spent at the website (Sept, 2006-58,000 visits, October 2006-7,000 visits, January 2007-90,000 visits, March 2007-127,000 visits). Most often visited topics: 1) lawn & garden, 2) local extension offices, 3) Ag. producers, 4) nutrition.

The website received the "Golden gator" award for best website on campus. Six billboards were placed around the state to advertise the website.

Farm Bureau Recognition Dinner update was presented by Liz Felter. This event will take place in third or fourth week of August. This is a fairly new event for the FACAA. Liz will provide more details about location and help needed.

FACAA brochure: Liz Felter presented a newly design FACAA recruiting brochure. NACAA wants to adapt the Florida's brochure for the national use.

Gene McAvoy asked the question about what is happening with the FACAA recommendations to the NACAA national board about **improving the awards application process** and possibility of accepting applications on line. Pat Hogue responded that there were a few changes made in this process after FACAA submitted a Word document with the suggested changes. The NACAA board accepted all our recommendations. These recommendations will be forwarded to the appropriate committees.

Shared governance - IFAS Faculty Council Update was presented by David Holmes. There is a draft of shared governance. This will be an opportunity to have a voice in the decisions making and protect the status of extension faculty. The Power Point on shared governance will be presented at the district meetings in the near future.

The administrative update was presented by Dr. Joan Dusky.

Dr Dusky is participating in work on issues the following issues: 1) Florida Fencing Property law, 2) Labor law, 3) making the extension specialists' directory available again (was not available in last 2 years); she wants it to be a searchable directory, attached to the "Solutions for your life" website. The legislative update: not a good year for IFAS. Despite that, we will have \$20 million for setting up the bio fuel plant.

Additional topics: Extension Symposium and the State Agricultural Response Team (SART) conference, May, 2007. She needs a SART contact in each county office. Each county is responsible for contacting Dr. Dusky and providing that contact person's information. SART is looking for IFAS to provide programs on disaster preparation. Dr. Dusky provided also an update on implementation of BMPs.

The UNIFAS reporting system issues were addressed next: extension faculty annual reports in general are better that state faculty reports, UNIFAS provides good enough information for federal reports. The VP and the deans are looking into making some changes in UNIFAS. They want to "fix" the system, because a large amount of funding was invested in developing UNIFAS. There is a committee working on the UNIFAS issues, (Gene McAvoy reported that the committee met and discussed changes).

Additional administrative updates: The Central District DED position was released, April 20, closing date for applications.

The Ag. Insurance session will take place at EPAF Wednesday afternoon.

The Dean of research is working on "fixing" the grants and contracts processing by the Office of Sponsored Pprograms. The goal is to process "the paper work" in 10 days.

The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 1:45 p.m. The next membership meeting will be held during the EPAF conference in September 2007.

Respectfully Submitted by Teresa Olczyk, FACAA Secretary



National Committee Reports

FACAA – Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents

Annual Report 2006

Communications Committee Report

Sanders, Cindy - Chair

Burton, Wendy

Culbert, Dan

Harper, Kiley

Alachua

Bradford

Okeechobee

Palm Beach

Powell, Laura Polk

Rainbolt, Christine

Wilbur, Wendy

Doug Caldwell

Palm Beach
Alachua
Collier

2007 Communications Awards

- Class 1- Radio Tom Wichman, UF Environmental Horticulture
- Class 2- Published Photo & Caption- Carla Chapman, Marion County
- Class 3- Slide Set, Transparencies, Computer Generated Presentation Sheila Dunning, Oakaloosa County
- Class 4- Direct Mail Piece Nola Wilson, Marion County
- Class 5 Personal Column Jennifer Welshans, Osceola County
- Class 6- Feature Story Carla Chapman, Marion County
- Class 7- Newsletter by Individual Raymond Zerba, Clay County
- Class 8- Newsletter by Group Alyssa Dodd, Cesar Asuaje, Kiley Harper, Ron Rice, Darrin Parmenter, Palm Beach County
- Class 9- Video Tape/Television Pam Brown, Pinellas County
- Class 10- Factsheet- Jane Morse, Pinellas County
- Class 11 Publication- Ralph Mitchell, Charlotte County
- Class 12- Web Page Doug Mayo, Jackson County
- Class 13 Learning Module or Notebook Adrian Hunsberger, Miami-Dade County

Regional Finalists

Class 1- Tom Wichman

Class 3- Sheila Dunning

Class 5- Jennifer Welshans

Class 6- Carla Chapman

Class 9- Pam Brown

Class 12- Doug Mayo

Class 13- Adrian Hunsberger

Submitted by: Cindy Sanders, chair

Extension Programs Committee Report

Andreasen, Andy - Chair Washington

Mattis, Pam Duval

Olczyk, Teresa Miami-Dade Jacobson, Dee Dee Highlands Wilson, Nola Marion Zekri, Mongi Hendry

There were three entries this year. Two entries in Livestock Production were Brent Broaddus – state winner, Doug Mayo – 2^{nd} . One entry in Farm and Ranch Financial Management – Russ Giesy – winner. Applications were good. We just needed more of them.

Submitted by: Andy Andreasen, Chair

4-H & Youth Committee Report

Maddox, Martha - Chair
Carlson, Christa - V Chair
Desoto
Wilson, Nola
Brent Broaddus
Roger Elliott
Sumter
Desoto
Hillsborough
Escambia

Search for Excellence Award in 4-H – There were 4 applications; the winner was Christa Carlson form Manatee County.

Professional Excellence Committee Report

Breman, Jacque - Chair Union
Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Jacobson, Dee Dee Highlands

This committee reviewed and accepted one application and submission for the Poster Session at the NACAA AM/PIC held this year in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The purpose of the committee is to review the abstract, to ensure quality and relevance is worthy of forwarding on to the regional chair, and on to the national meeting. Once the abstract is accepted, the applicant can print their poster (according to guidelines presented in "The County Agent" January issue).

The guidelines can be confusing, because instructions for submitting an abstract must be adhered to for initial approval (page 12 of the County Agent); after abstract approval, poster guidelines (page 11 of the County Agent) must be followed prior to attending the national meeting. Attendance at the national meeting is required of all agents with state-level accepted abstract poster submissions. The low number of submissions last year (3) and this year (1) suggest that the application process needs to be explained more clearly to agents, with perhaps a demonstration of how easy a submission can be, at the EPAF meetings.

This year the submission was:

COUNTY AG-VENTURES: EXPANDING YOUTH AGRICULTURAL AWARENESS –

*David B. Nistler, Bridget Carlisle, Jacqueline B. Schrader, and Ray Zerba, R.H. Jr.

Respectfully submitted by: Jacque Breman, Chair

Public Relations Committee Report

Dana Venrick - Chair Volusia
Griffis, David Volusia
Jacobson, Dee Dee Highlands

Public Relations in Daily Efforts (PRIDE) Award – There were two entries; Liz Felter was a winner for the "Gator day banners" (12 banners promoting ag, commodities).

^{*}Senior author, attending NACAA AM/PIC.

Recognition & Awards Committee Report

Hogue, Pat - Chair Okeechobee
Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Grant, Henry Gadsden
Zerba, Raymond Clay
DelValle, Terry Duval
Dale Bennett Wakula
Ray Zerba Clay

Eleanor Foerste

Ed Jennings Pasco
Jim Selph DeSoto
Bill Schall Palm Beach
Gene McAvoy Hendry

The Recognition and Awards Committee is responsible for the selection of Distinguished Service Award and Achievement Award winners, NACAA/FACAA Hall of Fame Award, Outstanding Student in Extension Education, and Outstanding Agriculturalists and Outstanding Specialist award winners. The number of both Distinguished Service and Achievement Awards are based on FACAA membership numbers as set by NACAA. Each State may nominate one member or life member for one of four Regional NACAA Hall of Fame Awards each year. One Student, four Agriculturalists, and one Specialist are recognized each year by FACAA.

2007 Distinguished Service Award Winners:

Arland M. Andreasen (Andy), CED and Agriculture Agent IV, Washington County Elizabeth R. Bolles (Beth), Extension Agent II-Horticulture, Escambia County Larry L. Williams, Extension Agent III-Residential Horticulture, Okaloosa County

2007 Achievement Award Winners:

Pamela R. Mattis, Extension Agent II-Commercial Horticulture, Duval County Maia P. McGuire, Extension Agent II-Sea Grant/Marine Science, St. Johns County

2007 FACAA Hall of Fame:

James N. Watson (Jim), CED and Agriculture Agent (Retired), Duval County

2007 Outstanding Student in Extension Education

Bonnie Pell, Moore Haven, FL

2007 Outstanding Agriculturalists:

Lin Taber, Baker County

Nominated by Mike Sweat

PJ Klinger, Sumter County Nominated by Susan Kelly, Gary England

and Juanita Popenoe

Dr. Larry Beasley, Oviedo, FL
Chuck Obern, Hendry County

Nominated by Gene McAvoy
Nominated by Gene McAvoy

2007 Outstanding Extension Specialist:

Dr. Robert Stamps, Extension Cut Foliage Specialist/Professor of Environmental Horticulture, UF/IFAS Mid-Florida Research and Education Center-Apopka. Nominated by Linda Landrum, Juanita Popenoe, David Griffis and Dana Venrick

Submitted by: Pat Hogue, Chair

Scholarship Committee Report

Tyson, Richard - Chair Seminole Walter, Joe Brevard

An email was sent to FACAA members in April providing information to members regarding the NACAA scholarship opportunities and soliciting scholarship applications. Members were encouraged to contribute at least a \$40 donation to the NACAA fund to be eligible for future scholarships. Members were also encouraged to make a donation to the NACAA Scholarship Auction at the annual meeting. The amount of money raised by the donated item is credited to the member as a scholarship contribution. Many members requested additional information and two members contributed the \$40 necessary to qualify. No scholarship applications were submitted prior to the June 30th deadline.

Since 1972, 164 FACAA members have contributed a total of \$9,834 to the NACAA Scholarship Fund. Seven FACAA agents have been awarded scholarships for a total dollar amount of \$6,200. There are currently 47 active members and 40 life members who have contributed to the NACAA fund.

Respectfully Submitted, Richard Tyson, Chair

Public Relations & Ag Issues Committee Report

Skvarch, Ed - Chair St Lucie Co
Landrum, Linda Suwannee
Harrison, Les Leon

Early Career Development Committee Report

Whidden, Alicia - Chair
Burton, Wendy
Bradford
Brent Broaddus
Robert Kluson
Hillsborough
Sarasota

The committee did not meet formally due to geographic distance. It was discussed with several members about an Early Career Workshop for the September EPAF meeting. The chair brought the idea to the President and Vice-president at the mid-year meeting. It was decided that this year's schedule did not have a time slot for this workshop.

Submitted by: Alicia Whidden, Chair

Administrative Skill Development Committee Report

Dinkins, David - Chair St. Johns Godke, Rick Duval Jarvis, BJ Pasco

No Report

Teaching & Educational Technologies Committee Report

Culbert, Dan - Chair Okeechobee
Beth Bolles Escambia
Gabel, Kim Monroe
Seals, Linda Brevard

No Report

Agronomy & Pest Management Committee Report

Muralles, Lester - Chair Gadsden Strickland, Stacy Hernando Devalerio, Jim Bradford

Ag Economics & Community Development Committee Report

Rafie, Ray - Chair Miami-Dade Andreasen, Andy Washington

Harrison, Les Leon

No Report

Animal Science Committee Report

Burton, Wendy - Chair Bradford Walter, Joe Brevard Wilson, Nola Marion

Brent Broaddus Hillsborough

No Report

Forestry & Natural Resources Committee Report

Nistler, David - Chair Clay Gaul, Steven Nassau Foerste, Eleanor Osceola

Horticulture Committee Report

DelValle, Terry - Chair Duval
Chapman, Carla Marion
Culbert, Dan Okeechobee
Gabel, Kim Monroe

Hunsberger, Adrian Miami - Dade Moll, Jim Herna ndo Rainey, Don Sarasota Seals, Linda Brevard Popenoe, Juanita Lake Doug Caldwell Collier

Laura Miller Hillsborough

Three emails were sent out to the FACAA membership to encourage members to apply for the Horticulture Pre AM/PIC Workshop and Tour at the NACAA Meeting in Michigan. We received one applicant which was approved and forwarded to the southern region committee chair. There was no funding for the tour supplied by national committee and the individual that applied lost their local funding source for the trip so they did not attend the workshop and tour.

The committee has already secured funding for this event next year in NC so perhaps there will be more applicants and interest.

Submitted by: Terry DelValle, Chair

Aquaculture & Sea Grant Committee Report

FACAA Officers

No Report

Life Member Committee Report

Loadholtz, Lowell - Chair Brevard - Retiree



State Committee Reports

FACAA - Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents

2006-2007 Annual Report

FACAA Membership Committee Report

Gerald Edmondson, Treasurer & Committee Chair

2006-2007 Paid Members & Life Members

A
Andreasen, A. "Andy" M.
Asuaje, Cesar R.
Atkins Sr., John Doyle
Atwood, Ryan

B Balerdi, Carlos Bargar, Janet Bateman, C. Randy Baucum, Leslie Beckford, Roy Bennett, Dale L. Bolles, Beth Bolques, Alejandro Bowden, Jessica Brasher, Charles Breman, Jacque Brenneman, John

Brenneman, John Brinen, Gary Broaddus, Brent Brown, Bill Brown, Pam Burbaugh, Brad Burn, Brooke Burkey, Fred Burton, Wendy

C
Caldwell, Douglas L.
Camerino, Anthony W.
Campbell, Kevin
Campbell, Mary
Carlisle, Bridget
Carlson, Christa
Carter, Roy Lee
Chapman, Carla
Christenberry, Lamar T.
Crawford, Sonja
Culbert, Daniel F.

D
Davis, Jim
DelValle, Terry Brite
Dessaint, Peggy
DeValerio, James
Dinkins, David

Dodd, Alyssa R. Donahoe, Mike Donovan, Thomas Dunning, Sheila Dusky, Joan A.

E
Edmondson, Gerald R.
Elliott, Roger M.

F
Felter, Liz
Feser, Cathleen
Figart, Larry
Fletcher, James H.
Foerste, Eleanor C.
Fox-Gamble, Sharon
Friday, Theresa
Futch, Stephen H.

G
Gabel, Kim
Gary, Lochrane A.
Gasparini, Vera M.
Gaul, Steven
Giesy, Russ
Gilreath, Phyllis
Godke, Rick
Goodchild, Mike
Goode, Don
Grant, Henry G.
Griffis, David T.

H
Halman, Robert Dean
Halsey, Lawrence A.
Harper, Kiley
Harrison, G. L. "Les"
Henry, Mary

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Jackson, Lawrence Scott Jarvis, B. J. Jennings, Ed Johnson, Libbie Jordi, Rebecca Jowers, H. E. Joyner, Gene

K Kelly, Susan Kerr, Scott Kirstein IV, Arthur Kluson, Robert A.

Lamberts, Mary Landrum, Linda B. Leonard, Edward E.

L

MacCubbin, Thomas Maddox, Martha Marshall, David Mattis, Pamela R. Mayer, Henrique Mayo, Doug McAvoy, Eugene McGuire, Maia Mikulecky, Gary Miller, Laura M. Miller, O. P. Mitchell, Ralph Moll, Jim Morse, Jane V. Mudge, Dennis Mullins, Daniel E. Munyan, Susan

N Neal, Anita S. Nistler, David B.

Muralles, Lester

 \mathbf{o} Saft, Carolyn S. \mathbf{U} Olczyk, Teresa Sanders, Cindy Olson, Clay Scalera, Sally Venrick, Dana Schall, William L. Oswalt, Chris Seals, Linda Selph, James Walter, Joseph H. Parmenter, Darrin M. Sheftall, Jr., William L. Ward, Bruce H. Patton, Keith A. Shibles, David Warren, Mark Phillippe, Pamela Shives, Sylvia Welshans, Jennifer Pipoly III, Dr. John J. Shuffitt, John Mark Whidden, Alicia Popenoe, Juanita Skvarch, Edward White, Celeste Powell, Laura A. Smith, Barbara Wichman, Tom Stevely, John Wilber, Wendy Q Stevenson, Carrie Williams, Larry L. Strickland, Dr. J. Stacy R Wilson, Nola Sweat, Mike Rafie, Ahmad R. \mathbf{X} Rainbolt, Christine Thomas, Martha \mathbf{Y} Rainey, Don Thomas, William D. Yeager, Tom Rice Ph.D, Ronald W. Thralls, Edmund L. Rogers, Brenda G. \mathbf{Z} Tichenor, Jack Rosenthal, Stanton Zekri, Mongi Toro, Elena Rudisill, Ken Zerba Jr., Raymond H.

Tyree, Allen B.

Tyson, Richard

Ruppert, Kathleen C.

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Life Members

Ankley, David	Austin, Richard S.	Beach, Billy	Blixt, H. Ira
Boyles, Cliff	Boynton, Charles	Braddock, Thomas	Bradley, Richard L.
Brown, William H.	Carr, Horrace M.	Causey, John H.	Clark, Bernard H.
Clary, Walter M.	Clay, Tommy	Cole, Ernest J.	Cowen, Edward J.
Craine, John E.	Cummings, James	Curtis, Robert G.	Daigle, Louis
Davis, J. E.	Dawson, Albert D.	Dayton, Lewis	Dilbeck, James D.
Dukes, Neal	Durden, Bobby	Eastwood Sr., Ralph A.	Egge, Dennis
Estes, James B.	Faison, John Ray	Ferris, Harold R.	Gaiser, William H.
George, Donald	Glenn, Woodrow W.	Godbold, Jesse	Goldweber, Seymour
Goolsby, Harold B.	Greene, English	Hamrick Jr., O. R.	Hannan, Jesse B.
Hanson, Richard	Harrell, Aubrey	Harris, Bert J.	Harrison, H. Oscar
Hayman, Jack C.	Hebert, Jay	Heft, Marvin E.	Hodyss, Loretta

Laird, Cubie R.

Howe, Bill	Howes, Earl D.	Huggins, George T.	Hutcheson, Clayton
Jacobson, J. O.	Jasa, Frank	Johnson, L. M.	Jones, Harold C.

Kumpf, Earl

Knight, Calvin

Klacke, Frank

Loadholtz, J. Lowell Loadholtz, Larry L. MacQueen, George McFeeters, Donald

McLure, Victor B. Medlin, Quentin Melton, Frank Mentzer, Francis

Michael, Julia Mitchell, Clarence Muller, Bill Newbury, George H.

Nichols, Raymond C. Norris, R. E. Owens Jr., George M. Padgham, Clarence H.

Pastorius, Edwin Paulk, Harvey Peterson, Blake Poffenberger, Jay (J.B.)

Price, Rayburn Pryor, Robert Rippey, Donald M. Rozar Jr., Luther L.

Russell, John C. Schiemann Jr., Louis J. Serfass, Harry E. Smith, Leland C.

Spandorf, Aaron Stansfield, Robert E. Stebbins, Lawrence (Larry)

Stephens, Russell H. Strain, J. Robert Stricker, Jim Sumner, Sid

Taylor, Bobby L. Tilton, Austin Townsend, Dallas B. Townsend, Thomas R.

Vaughan, John Watson, James N. Watson, Loew Westbrook, Bill

Whitton, Gil Whitty, Robert Wilt, Harry S. Withrow, John E.

Wyatt, Jenta Wyeth, Irv Yelvington, James R. Zerr, John

Budget and Finance Committee Report

2006-07 FACAA TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT SHARE CHECKING ACCOUNT - CAMPUS USA CREDIT UNION

Financial Activity August 1, 2006 - July 31, 2007

TOTAL SHARE CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE - 8/1/06

\$ 4,815.02

Incor	FACAA Membership Dues 2006-2007 (146 @ \$100 + 1 @ \$99.99) FACAA Membership dues 2007-2008 (22 @ \$100) FACAA Mid-Year Meeting NACAA State's Night Out 2006 NACAA State's Night Out 2007 Total Income	\$ \$ \$	14,699.99 2,200.00 660.00 50.00 1,106.00	- \$18,715.99
Expe	nses			
	FACAA Awards 2006	\$	1,232.11	
	FACAA Brochure		1,334.30	
	FACAA Membership Dues Double Payment Refund (Monroe & Citrus	•	,	
County)		\$	200.00	
	FAE4-HA Membership Dues (Heather Kent)	\$	100.00	
	(Jackson County sent a check made out to FACAA for Heather Kent's FAE4-HA Membership Dues - Deposited this check)			
Danart	Florida Department of State - 2007 Not-For-Profit Corporation Annual	ď	64.05	
Report	Miles Courset - IOED Conference Desistantian & Forence	\$	61.25	
	Mike Sweat - JCEP Conference Registration & Expenses	\$	789.11	
	John Brenneman - JCEP Conference Registration & Expenses Cindy Sanders - 2005 Young Professional Award Recipient - NACAA	\$	583.41	
Meeting		\$	300.00	
	Mid-Year Meeting - 44 Meals - Florida Farm Bureau	\$	638.00	
	NACAA 2006-2007 Membership Dues	-	8,400.00	
	NACAA State's Night Out 2007 - Meals	-	1,117.40	
	John Brenneman - PILD Conference Registration & Expenses	\$	929.77	
	Mike Sweat - PILD Conference Registration & Expenses John Brenneman - Postage for follow-up letter to Commissioners and	\$	792.35	
	other county VIPs who visited Country Store Booth/Exhibit at the FAC Annual Meeting	\$	61.50	_
	Total Expenses			\$16,539.20

Total Balance

SHARE CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF 7/31/07

\$ 6,991.81

\$ 5,031.57

TOTAL SAVINGS FUND BALANCE AS 7/31/07

	2007-08 FACA	A BUDGET	
Budget Category	2006-2007	2006-2007	2007-2008
Operating Funds	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income			
- Dues	\$16,500.00	\$14,699.99	\$16,500.00
	(155 @ \$100 + 10 New Members)	(146 @ \$100 + 1 @ \$99.99)	(160 @100 + 5 New Members)
Auction Proceeds	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Contributions	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mid-Year Meeting	\$650.00	\$660.00	\$700.00
Total Income	\$18,400.00	\$15,359.99	\$18,200.00
Expenses			
- NACAA Dues	\$8,250.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00
	(165 @ \$50)	(168 @ \$50)	
Officer Workshops	\$3,850.00	\$3,094.64	\$3,850.00
Awards/Honorariums	\$3,300.00	\$1,532.11	\$3,300.00
Florida Association of Counties Booth	\$1,350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FAEP Guest Expenses	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$650.00
Office Expenses	\$150.00	\$61.50	\$150.00
Mid-Year Meeting	\$650.00	\$638.00	\$700.00
Flowers, Cards, Etc.	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Florida Department of State - Not-For- Profit Corporation Annual Report	0	\$61.25	\$61.25
Miscellaneous	0	\$2,751.70	\$888.75
Total Expenses	\$18,400.00	\$16,539.20	\$18,200.00
Total	\$18,400.00	\$16,539.20	\$18,200.00

Audit Committee Report

The financial records of Association were reviewed through August 15th and found to be in order. Treasurer Edmondson should be commended in the manner in which he has recorded the financial activities of FACAA. As a recommendation, the committee would like to suggest that when entering deposits into Quickens that the deposit entry identify each contributing amount for easier reconciliation and later research.

The association appears to be in a sound financial situation.

Constitution & By-Laws Committee Report

Shuffit, Mark - Chair Marion
Powell, Laura Polk
Landrum, Linda SVREC
Felter, Liz MFREC

No committee activity in 2007.

Policy & Resolution Committee Report

Ed Jennings - Chair Sumter,
Dinkins, David St. Johns
Thomas, Bill Columbia

No Report.

Administration Liaison Committee Report

Selph, Jim - Chair Desoto
Felter, Liz MFREC
Sweat, Mike Baker
Brenneman, John Polk

No report.

County Commission Liaison Committee Report Fl. Assn. of Counties Country Store

Brenneman, John - Chair Polk
Mayo, Doug - V Chair Jackson
Powell, Laura Polk
Liz Felter MFREC

2007 marked the second year that FACAA cooperated with other Florida Extension professional associations and Extension Administration to prepare an exhibit and participate in the trade show at the Annual Meeting of the Florida Association of Counties. The meeting and trade show is attended by all types of county officials including Commissioners, administrators, planners, budget officers, attorney's, and other coordinators and supervisory personnel. The FACAA exhibit has traditionally been known as the "Country Store" and has for years been the most popular, highly visible and most visited booth at the entire conference. It has over the years been an exhibit that displayed a variety of Florida's agricultural products that were available as samples. We had 3 booth spaces (paid for by Administration) in the main exhibit hall with outstanding exposure. The "Solutions For Your Life" exhibit complemented the agricultural products and personalized "gift baskets" which were provided by ESP and FEAFCS. This is a great promotion for county Extension agents and their relationship with county government. Every county in Florida was represented, and all were appreciative of our efforts. The exhibit could not have been possible without the hard work of extension agents from across the state who were instrumental in setting up and manning the booth June 10 - 12 at the Renaissance Orlando Resort at Sea World, Orlando. A special thanks to those agents that secured donations of agricultural products.

This meeting rotates around the state allowing different agents the opportunity to participate in this worthwhile project. The 2008 Florida Association of Counties Annual Meeting will be June 24 - 27 at the Doral Resort in Miami.

Respectfully submitted, John Brenneman, Chair

FACAA Mid-Year Meeting Committee Report

Jordi, Becky - Chair Nassau Chapman, Carla Marion

Meeting date: Wednesday, April 11, 2007

A. Preparation Procedures:

- 1. Date for Board and overall member meeting is set by FACAA Board
- 2. Book room at Florida Farm Bureau for Board meeting and overall member meeting
 - a. Call Karen Purser at 352-374-1543
 - b. Set up room arrangements
- 3. Book cafeteria with Mike Dreazy.
 - a. Call him at 352 374-1550 to discuss food selection.
 - b. Make food selection
 - c. Fax number of people expected to Mike about 5 days in advance
 - d. Fax number: 352 374-1577
- 4. Send out FACAA list e-mail as early as possible once date has been set by Board and rooms have been confirmed. This early notice is important as calendars fill quickly.
 - a. E-mail Address(es):
 - i. FACAA-L@LISTS.IFAS.UFL.EDU
 - ii. A notice will come back to you regarding this list, just follow the instructions
 - b. Send reminder notice about 1 month in advance of meeting
 - c. Send another reminder notice about 2 weeks in advance of meeting
- 5. Keep a list of those who will and will not attend.
- 6. Respond back to them so they know their message.
- 7. Bring a receipt pad or make receipts for those who pay.
- 8. Send Kathy Purser list of people attending for security purposes. Her fax number is 352 374-1592

B. Day of the meeting:

- a. Bring list of attendees to meeting
- b. Arrive 30 minutes early
- c. Collect money for registration
- d. Mark on attendee sheet check number or if cash was given
- e. Total amount received on sheet
- f. Give all money received to FACAA Treasurer
- g. Treasurer pays for the registration
- h. Give report to Board

Rebecca L. Jordi

FACAA Mid-year Meeting Chair

FACAA Educational Foundation Report

Felter, Liz - Past Pres-Chair **MFREC** Hogue, Pat Okeechobee Hochmuth, Robert **SVREC** Sweat, Mike - Pres Baker Brenneman, John - P Elect Polk Mayo, Doug - V Pres Jackson Edmondson, Gerald - Treas Okaloosa Olczyk, Teresa - Sect Miami-Dade Friday, Theresa - Dist 1 Santa Rosa

Rudisill, Ken - Dist 1

Burton, Wendy - Dist 2

Nistler, David - Dist 2

Strickland, Stacy - Dist 3

Welshans, Jennifer - Dist 3

Osceola

Oswalt, Chris - Dist 4

Bay

Bradford

Clay

Hernando

Osceola

Broaddus, Brent - Dist 4 Hillsborough Halman, Robert - Dist 5 Collier Parmenter, Darrin - Dist 5 Palm Beach

The Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents Educational Scholarship Fund #13135 principal balance as of August 2007: \$117,511.58

The Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents Educational Scholarship Fund #13136 available income balance: \$546.88

The state match was applied for in January 2007 after receiving gifts totaling \$100,660.45. The anticipated state match will be 50 percent, which equals \$50,330.

As of August 15, 2007 the match had not been received from the state, and scholarships from this fund are awarded from the interest portion only. \$546.88 is available at this time.

Criteria for Application and Awarding FACAA Educational Foundation funds for scholarship:

- 1. Each applicant must have contributed at least \$ 100.00 to the FACAA Education Foundation by January 1 of the year of application.
- 2. Applicants must be a member in good standing of FACAA for at least the immediate two years prior to the application for scholarship funds and current years dues must have been paid by the date required for awards applications.

- 3. Scholarship application can be made for any Professional Improvement activity including tours, seminars, conferences, sabbaticals, annual professional improvement meetings, advanced study degree hours or programs, International activities, In-Service Education, JCEP, PILD, or others as deemed appropriate by the Educational Foundation Committee of FACAA.
- 4. Scholarship funds will be awarded based on need, merit of the application and scholarship funds available, but will not exceed \$ 1000.00 to an individual applicant in one fiscal year and will not exceed \$ 5000.00 to an individual in their Extension career.
- 5. Scholarship funds may be awarded to agent groups, but each individual must meet membership and donation requirements and total amount will not exceed individual award amounts outlined above for the number in the group applying. (Ex. Number in group = 5, total award not to exceed \$ 5000.00)
- 6. Scholarship funds will not be paid until they are actually required for payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred for the intended activity for which scholarship was awarded.
- 7. Fiscal year for awarding scholarship funds will be the same as FACAA fiscal year from the beginning of October of each year to the end of September the following year based on the FACAA Annual meeting being held in September of each year.
- 8. The Education Foundation Committee may meet twice annually to consider scholarship applications. Those meetings will be on the dates of the FACAA Board of Directors meetings in December and June each year, and applications must be received at least one week prior to those meetings. Applicants awarded scholarships will be notified by FACAA Foundation Committee Chair immediately following the Committee meeting, and recipients will be recognized at the FACAA Annual Meeting in September.
- 9. Upon completion of the intended professional improvement activity for which scholarship funds have been awarded, the scholarship recipient must make a report to the FACAA Education Foundation in the form of a 100 word or less abstract and include documentation of expenses incurred to insure funds were spent for their intended use. Any misuse of Education Foundation funds will require repayment of funds to the FACAA Education Foundation.

Submitted by: Liz Felter, FACAA Educational Foundation Committee Chair

New Members Relations Committee Report

Hunsberger, Adrian - Chair Miami - Dade

Gabel, Kim - Vice Chair Monroe Brent Broaddus Hillsborough

New Agent Orientation.

Mike Sweat made a presentation at the new agent orientation.

Young Professional Award

On behalf of the committee, the Chair solicited nominations and received 6 nominees that met award qualifications. Nominees included: Libbie Johnson, Escambia; Sheila Dunning, Okaloosa; Juanita Popenoe, Lake; Laura Miller, Hillsborough; Larry Figart, Duval; Theresa Friday, Santa Rosa.

Nominees completed an application packet that reflected award criteria. Three committee members judged nominee applications and selected Theresa Friday as the recipient of the 2007 Young Professional Award.

The plaque was ordered, and Pat Hogue and Martha Bickers (EPAF Sponsorship Committee) called Farm Credit to again sponsor the award. Mr. Ron O'Conner with Farm Credit agreed to sponsor the award and make the presentation at the 2007 EPAF meeting in St. Augustine, FL. Theresa Friday will be presented with a plaque and a \$100 check. \$200 is available to attend the 2008 NACAA conference.

Respectfully submitted, Adrian Hunsberger, Chair

EPAF Annual Meeting Committee Report

Sweat, Mike - Chair Baker
Brenneman, John - Vice Chair Polk
Maddox, Martha Sumter

The 2006 EPAF Annual Meeting at the World Golf Village has over 375 registered participants. The EPAF Board has worked hard to provide a quality professional improvement conference while maintaining registration costs.

During the past year the EPAF Board voted to hold the EPAF annual conference at the Buena Vista Palace in Orlando from 2008-2012. The EPAF board decided that the decision on a long-term contract needed to be voted on by association members. Each association member was provided the opportunity to provide input through the standardized vote. A total of 221 votes were placed by the deadline of December 19, 2006. Approximately two-thirds of the votes were in favor of signing a five-year contract with the Buena Vista Palace.

Discussion about the 2008 conference site was held at the December EPAF board meeting. Concerns were raised regarding the standard site rotation and bids submitted from Panhandle facilities that could cause registration rates to increase. The Buena Vista Palace offered a five-year contract which would guarantee only a 4% room rate increase each year. The 2008 rate would be \$119. Typical annual rate increases could be as high as 10-15%. Additional concessions were offered with each year of the contract. Complete details of the decision are available on the EPAF website.

Submitted by: Mike Sweat – Chair

Professional Development and Abstract Presentation Committee Report

Brown, Pam - Chair

Breman, Jacque

Culbert, Dan

Chapman, Carla

Jordi, Becky

Parmenter, Darrin

Pinellas

Union

Okeechobee

Nassau

Palm Beach

Powell, Laura Polk

Rice, Ron Palm Beach
Seals, Linda Brevard
Wilson, Nola Marion
Zekri, Mongi Hendry

A total of thirty two abstracts were presented to the committee for evaluation. Verification of membership revealed that two submitters had paid dues after December 31, 2006 and were therefore ineligible and two submitters were not current members of FACAA. Twenty seven (two abstracts were submitted by one of those ineligible) abstracts were sent out on July 2 to nine committee members. Six of those members returned their evaluations which were then averaged in with the chair's evaluations. From this group the top thirteen abstracts were chosen for presentation at the 21st Annual Extension Professional Association of Florida meeting on September 26, 2007 in St. Augustine, Florida. Notification was sent by e-mail to all those submitting abstracts informing them of the committee's decision.

It should be noted that FACAA membership dues payment must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2007 to be considered for participation in the abstract presentation for 2008.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Brown, Chair

NACAA Annual Meeting Committee Report

Brenneman, John - Chair Polk Mayo, Doug - Vice Chair Jackson

FACAA Board Members

The 2007 NACAA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference was held July 15 - 19th in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Over 1400 attended from every state in the nation. There were 24 active and 4 Life members of FACAA in attendance.

The Florida State's Night Out Dinner was attended by 46 people including members, retirees, family and guests. Z's Bar and Grill hosted our group for an enjoyable evening of American cuisine.

Florida's Distinguished Service Award recipients were Beth Bolles – Escambia County, Andy Andreasen – Washington County, and Larry Williams – Okaloosa County.

FACAA Achievement Award recipients were Pamela Mattis – Duval County and Maia McGuire – Multi-county Northeast District.

NACAA officers elected for 2008 include:

President: Fred Miller – North Carolina President Elect: Rick Gibson - Arizona Vice President: Phil Pratt - Oklahoma Secretary: Leon Church - Texas Treasurer: Paul Wigley - Georgia

The 2008 Annual Meeting will be held July 13 -17, 2008 in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted by: John Brenneman, Chair

Officer Nominations Committee Report

The 2006-2007 FACAA Officer Nominations Committee submits the following state officer candidates for your consideration:

President - John Brenneman, CED/IV, Polk County, District IV

President-Elect - Doug Mayo, EA III, Jackson County, District I

Vice-President - Teresa Olczyk EA III, Miami Dade County, District V

Treasurer (3rd Year) Gerald Edmondson, EA IV, Okaloosa County, District I

Secretary - Jennifer Welshans, EA II, Osceola County District III

Past-President - Mike Sweat, CED IV, Baker County District II

See attached biographical sketch for candidate.

Respectfully submitted by: Liz Felter, Orange County, Chair

Secretary Candidate Biographical Sketch

Jennifer Welshans
Extension Agent II, Horticulture
University of Florida IFAS
Osceola County Extension Service
1921 Kissimmee Valley Lane Kissimmee, FL 34744
jwel2@osceola.org

Education:

B.S. Ag Business Management, Minor in Horticulture - Penn State University (1998) Master of Agribusiness - University of Florida (2000) Certifications: Certified Arborist, International Society of Arboriculture

Employment:

UF/IFAS Osceola County - Extension Agent II, Horticulture (2007 - present)
UF/IFAS Osceola County - Extension Agent I, Horticulture (2001-2007)
Walt Disney World - Gardener (2001)
Pennsylvania State Department of Agriculture - Plum Pox Detection Team (Summer 2000)
Walt Disney World - Horticulture Intern @ Epcot (Summer 1998)
Walt Disney World - Plant Scientist Intern @ The Land Pavilion (1999)

Country Market Nursery, Hershey, PA - Horticulture Intern (Summer 1997)

Responsibilities:

Developing and conducting extension educational programs in the areas of Urban Horticulture, Commercial Landscape Horticulture, and 4-H/Youth Horticulture. Duties also include recruiting, training, and managing Master Gardener volunteers and pesticide applicator training and testing.

Awards and Recognitions:

2007	ESP Young Professional Award
2007	Communications Award, Personal Column
	Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents, State Winner
	National Association of County Agricultural Agents, National Winner
2006	University of Florida/IFAS Grand Image Award, Exhibit
2006	University of Florida/IFAS Gold Image Award, Exhibit
2006	Communications Award, Computer Generated Slide Set,
	Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents, State Winner
	National Association of County Agricultural Agents, National Finalist
2006	University of Florida/IFAS Gold Image Award, Written Word
2005	The Marshall and Mildred Watkins Professional Improvement Award
2004	Golden Gator Award, University of Florida, Event
2004	University of Florida/IFAS Grand Image Award, Event
2004	University of Florida/IFAS Gold Image Award, Event
2003	Communications Award, Fact Sheet,
	Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents, State Winner
2003	The Marshall and Mildred Watkins Professional Improvement Award
	University of Florida/IFAS

University Governance and Service:

Council – *UF/IFAS External and Media Relations Council*, Member of this council, compiled of individuals from the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences that are associated with marketing and media relations. The council meets twice a year to discuss IFAS marketing strategies. 2006.

Focus Group/Planning Committee – *Central District Green Team*, Member of this group, compiled of horticulture faculty from the Central District, which focuses on identifying key horticultural issues affecting our region, as well as program planning. Central District Green Team chairperson in 2004. 2001 – present.

Focus Group – *Horticulture Radio Show*, Invited member of the UF/IFAS horticulture faculty focus group, which involved developing ideas for a new two-minute radio show on home horticulture topics. 2006.

Focus Group – *Solutions for Your Life Web Site*, Invited member of the UF/IFAS faculty focus group, which critiqued the new slogan and web site for University of Florida/IFAS Extension. 2005.

Planning Committee – *Horticulture Agents Planning Conference*, Participated in the statewide program planning committee where we discussed the future role of horticulture Extension programs in the state of Florida. 2003.

Service to FACAA

•	District III Director	2005 - 2007
•	Chair, Horticulture Committee	2005
•	Chair, Horticulture Committee	2003

- NACAA PRE/AM 2004 Participation
 - o Writer for the daily newsletter
 - Planned the "Horticulture of Central Florida" tour for 50 participants. The tour included stops at the Walt Disney World Tree Farm, Gaylord Palms Resort, the Osceola County Extension office, and the environmentally friendly town of Harmony.
 - o Assisted in securing the "Old Florida Shack" decorations.
 - o Chaperoned the spouses' tour to Wekiva Springs.
 - o Volunteered as the local area "expert".
- Attended six NACAA PRE/AM conventions in Savanna, GA (2002), Green Bay, WI (2003), Orlando, FL (2004), Buffalo, NY (2005), and Cincinnati, OH (2006), and Grand Rapids, MI (2007).



SECTION – FACAA Top Honors

FACAA - Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents

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NACAA ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS (FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS)

2007 Pamela R. Mattis Maia P. McGuire	Duval County St. Johns County	1992 David Dinkins	Nassau
2006 Elizabeth Bolles	Escambia	1991 Joan Bradshaw	Pinellas
Teresa Olczyk 2005	Miami-Dade	1989 Sydney Park-Brown	Hillsborough
Gene McAvoy Laura Powell	Hendry Palm Beach	1988 James F. Selph	Desoto
2004 Mike Goodchild Mark Shelby	Walton Sarasota	1987 Uday Yadav	Seminole
2003 Joseph Walter	Brevard	1986 David Marshall	Leon
Paulette Tomlinson	Columbia	1985 Kenneth D. Shuler	Palm Beach
2002 Anita Neal Tom Wichman	St. Lucie UF Horticulture Dept.	1984 Larry Halsey	Jefferson
2001 Liz Felter Doug Mayo	Orange Jackson	1983 W. Austin Tilton	Putnam
2000 Mary Sowerby	Hillsborough	1982 John Baldwin	Levy
Daniel Culbert 1999	Indian River	1981 Ed Jowers	Madison
Frank Melton Larry Williams	Manatee Okaloosa	1980 Tom MacCubbin	Orange
1998 Patricia Grace Mark Kistler	Putnam Okeechobee	1979 Harold Jones	Duval
1997 Celeste White	Orange	1978 Mike Demaree	Pasco
William Schall 1996	Broward	1977 Clayton Hutcheson	Palm Beach
Gerald Edmondson Bruce Ward	Okaloosa Walton	1976 Dan Mullins	Escambia
1995 Ben F. Castro Thomas Schueneman	Gadsden Palm Beach	1975 Richard Bir	Alachua
1994 Anthony Drew	Levy	1974 Jim Dilbeck	St. Johns
Ed Jennings	Pasco	1973 Tom Oswalt	Polk
1993 Terry DelValle Andy Andreasen	Duval Jackson		

NACAA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS)

2007 Andy Andreasen Beth Boles Larry Williams	Washington Escambia Okaloosa	1996 Robert Tervola David Marshall Gary Simonne	Suwannee Leon Gainesville Campus
2006 Dan Culbert David Dinkins Clay Olson	Okeechobee St. Johns Taylor	1995 Richard Aalberg Michael Donahoe William Thomas	Manatee Santa Rosa Columbia
2005 Dale Bennett Liz Felter Jim Fletcher	Wakulla Orange Brevard	1994 George Henry Jr. Linda Landrum E. Ben Whitty	Leon Volusia Agronomy
2004 George Hochmuth Oliver Patrick Miller Michael Sweat	North Florida REC Okeechobee Baker	1993 Lawrence Halsey Jr.	Jefferson
2003 Charles L. Brasher Ed Jennings Robert C. Hochmuth	Jackson Sumter North Florida REC	Freddie Johnson Raymond Zerba Jr. Lamar Christenberry Sydney Park_Brown	Entomology Clay Escambia Hillsborough
2002 Terry DelValle Patrick Hogue Eugene Joyner	Duval Okeechobee Palm Beach	1991 James Stephens Robert Renner Kenneth Shuler John Brenneman	Vegetable Crops Marion Palm Beach Polk
2001 David Holmes Bill Schall Earnest Stephens	Marion Palm Beach Duval	1990 David Hall Carrol Douglas Austin Tilton	Herbarium Poultry Science Putnam
2000 Henry Grant Travis Seawright Roy Carter	Gadsden Manatee Gulf	1989 Michael Demaree Lawrence Heitmeyer Marvin Weaver	Pasco Leon Gilchrist
1999 Gary Brinen Tim Crocker Eleanor Foerste	Alachua Hort. Sci. Dept. Osceola	1988 Reggie Brown William (Bill) Brown Wayne Wade	Collier Alachua Hillsborough
1998 Loretta Hodyss Daniel Mullins James Selph	St. Johns Santa Rosa Desoto	1987 John Baldwin Ed Jowers Thomas MacCubbin	Levy Jackson Orange
1997 Michael McKinney	Hillsborough		

1986 O.J. (Jay) Hebert Sidney (Sid) Sumner William Phillips	Orange Polk Marion	1975 Rance Andrews Bernard Clark David Solger	Hamilton Gadsden Polk
1985 James Dilbeck Dallas Townsend Robert Whitty	St. Johns Hendry Martin	1974 Henry Davis Ken Rice James Walker	Taylor Okeechobee Escambia
1984 James Cummings George T (Tim) Hurner Harold Jones	St. Lucie Highlands Duval	1973 Thomas Braddock Seymour Goldweber Gil Whitton	Duval Dade Pinellas
1983 T. Jesse Godbold Clayton Hutcheson Charles Walthall	Clay Palm Beach Okaloosa	1972 Nolan Duree Donald Jordon Lewis Watson	Dade Flagler Broward
1982 Al Dawson Larry Loadholtz Luther Rozar	Hernando Volusia Sarasota	1971 Horace Carr Luther Harold Hugh Whelchel	Bay Baker St. Lucie
1981 Ed Allen Roy Champagne Bob Davis	Duval Dade Polk	1970 John Causey E. J. Cowan Harvey Paulk	Palm Beach Dixie Calhoun
1980 Raleigh Griffis Tom Oswalt Bobby Taylor	Palm Beach Polk Bradford	1969 Paul Dinkins Neal Dukes John Russell	St. Johns Columbia Gadsden
1979 Donald George William Smith Jr. Jack Spears	Sumter Suwannee Holmes	1968 Jack Hayman Jack Patton Jim Yelvington	Hardee Okaloosa Gilchrist
1978 James Estes Jack Haddox Roger Newton	Franklin Lake Hillsborough	1967 Leonard Cobb J. E. Davis Cecil Tucker	Levy Washington Seminole
1977 A. T. Andrews Bobby Durden L. Lowell Loadholtz	Alachua Wakulla Brevard	1966 Jean Beam Wilburn Farrell Cubie Laird	Hillsborough Alachua Gulf
1976 Paul Glasscock Sylvester Rose	Hillsborough Brevard	1965 J. B. Smith William Zorn Ralph Townsend	Osceola Santa Rosa Volusia

1964	Manian	1954	C D
Edsel Rowan	Marion	Emmett McCall	Santa Rosa
O.R. (Rudy) Hamrick	Madison	P. Q. McMullen	St. Johns
Bob Pryor	Palm Beach	1953	
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1963	Destauran	Shelby Brothers W. L. Woods	Lafayette Desoto
R. T. Clay J. Paul Crews	Putman Suwannee	W. L. Woods	Desoto
Donald Lander	Collier	1952	
Donaid Landei	Comer	William Platt Jr.	Volusia
1962		W. P. Hayman	Polk
Gordon Ellis	Nassau	w.i.iiayman	TOIK
Woodrow Glenn	Jackson	1951	
B. J. Harris Jr.	Highlands	N.H. McQueen	Charlotte
D. J. 11d1113 J1.	Highlands	Mitchell Wilkins	Walton
1961		Wittenen Wikins	vv arton
Oscar Harrison	Walton	1950	
Hubert Maltby	Putnam	Ed L. Ayers	Manatee
Henry Swanson	Orange	Fred Baetzman	Orange
Tremy Swamson	Grunge	Trea Buctzman	Grange
1960		1949	
John Campbell	Dade	Albert Lawton	Duval
Lloyd Rhoden	Leon	Carl Heuck	Lee
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1959		1948	
1959 Harper Kendrick	Manatee	1948 Robert Norris	Lake
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Florida Farm Credit Association of Florida Young Professional Award

2007

Theresa Friday Santa Rosa

2006

Rebecca Jordi Nassau

2005

Cynthia Sanders Alachua

2004

Alex Bolques Gadsden

2003

Adrian Hunsberger Dade

2002

Gene McAvoy Hendry

2001

Beth Bolles Escambia

2000

Doug Mayo Jackson

1999

Liz Felter Orange

1998

Laurie Hurner Palm Beach

1997

Larry Williams Okaloosa

1996

No Nominations

1995

Kenneth Gioeli St. Lucie

OUTSTANDING AGRICULTURALIST AWARD

2007 Lin Taber	Baker	1998 Dooley Houghtaling	Hillsborough
PJ Klinger	Sumter	Norma Todd	Hendry
Larry Beasley	Hendry	Frank Williamson Jr.	Okeechobee
Chuck Obern	Hendry	Frank Zorn	Martin
2006		1007	
2006	Santa Rosa	1997 Gaerga Finara	Pasco
Jerry Davis William (Billy) Sellers	Hernando	George Finora Bernard Lewis	Gadsden
Ralph Palaez	Okeechobee	Robert Morris	Hillsborough
Kaipii i aiacz	ORCCCHOOCC	Ray Norman	Bradford
2005		ray ivoiman	Diadioid
Wade Grigsby	Hendry	1996	
Jack Price	Collier	John Shadd	Union
George Poucher	Suwannee	Max Fletcher	Gadsden
Phil Turner	Desoto	Leland Thomas	Jackson
		William Owens	Martin
2004			
Pat Cockrell	Alachua	1995	
Mike Milicevic	Highlands	High English	Hendry
John (Jack) Paul Jr.	Hendry	Judson Minear	Martin
Andy Tucker	Brevard	Robert Revel	Putnam
2003		1994	
Donald Bennink	Gilchrist	Joe Marlin Hilliard Sr.	Hendry
Herman Moore	Gadsden	L. E. McMillian Jr.	Jackson
Dot Driggers	Putnam	Ernest Nunez	Pasco
George Owens	Washington	Klaus Sengelemann	Palm Beach
2002		1993	
Chanley Carter	Jackson	Frank Polhill	Hendry
Doyle Connor	Jefferson	Edwin Klipstine	St. Johns
James Davis	Washington	Joe Barthle	Pasco
Robert Evers	Okaloosa	boc Bartine	1 4500
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2001		Donald Sellers Sr.	Palm Beach
F. Allen Boyd	Jefferson	Kelly R. Smith	Putnam
William R. Cotton	St. Johns	Peter Carlin	Sarasota
Barney Greene	Indian River	Addy Jones	Gilchrist
Madeline Mellinger	Palm Beach		
2000		1991	a
2000		Thomas Smith	Gadsden
Dr. Joe Cialone	Lake	John Hey	Lake
Doug Bournique	Indian River Jackson	Bert Harris Jr.	Highlands Marion
Jeff Crawford David Neill	St. Lucie	Leroy Baldwin	iviarion
David Inclii	St. Lucie	1990	
1999		Buster Pratt	Polk
Ralph Sexton	Indian River	Gene Ragan	Jackson/Holmes
Dan McClure	Manatee	Ted Winsberg	Palm Beach
Howard Lerch	Jackson	John Stitt	Hendry
W. Bernard Lester	Hendry		•

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1989		1981	
Gene Felton	Hendry	Merwyn Barrineau	Escambia
Joe Forshee	Duval	Murray Spooner	Gadsden
James Luttrell	Manatee	Fred Montsdeoca	Marion
Francis &		Jerry Soowal	Broward
BettyJo Brubaker	St. Johns		
•		1980	
1988		Arthur Aukema	Jackson
James Ray	Okaloosa	Norma Gill	Manatee
Al Bellotto	Polk	Sam Sounders	Clay
Ralph Clay, Sr.	Putnam	Allen Nease	St. Johns
Robert Barben	Highlands		
	•	1979	
1987		Hallie Hearn	Jackson
James Fogarty	Leon	Jim Southerland	Taylor
Carolyn Kempfer	Brevard	Ray Crawford	Union
Will Maxwell	Gadsden	J. O. Pearce	Okeechobee
Marshall Watkins	Hillsborough		
	Č	1978	
1986		A. T. Alvarez	Duval
Saundra Gray	Volusia	Vick Blackstone	Manatee
Jim Flanagan	Osceola	E. H. Finlayson	Jefferson
John V. D'Albora	Brevard	Carroll L. (Bud) Ward	Lake
G. Franklyn Ward	Highlands	` '	
,	8	1977	
1985		J. P. Sandlin	Levy
Carl B. Loop Jr.	Duval	C. Aubrey Caruthers	Sumter
Fount May Sr.	Gadsden	Mike Machek	Palm Beach
Bill Grant	Lafayette	John R. Biebenthaler	Pinellas
G. Franklin Ward	Highlands		
	8	1976	
1984		John Davis	Escambia
Dan Childs	Highlands	Wiley Blair	Madison
R. D. Bennett	Jackson	Henry W. Land	Orange
Albin Crutchfield	Volusia	Frank Sullivan III	Brevard
Hugh Grambling	Hillsborough		
		1975	
1983		Rep. Wayne Mixon	Jackson
Truman J. Smith	Hernando	L. E. Lawson	Okeechobee
T. G. Lee	Orange		
Red Phillips	Polk	1974	
Copeland Newburn	Hillsborough	Carroll Lamb	Leon
Coperand Tve wearn	111115001044811	Paul Hayman	Polk
1982		Thornton Hartley	Alachua
Henry Douglas	Pasco	V. C. Johnson	Duval
Max Hammond	Polk		- w · w.
J. J. Parrish	Brevard	1973	
E. D. (Buddy) Neel	Washington	Billy Hill	Hamilton
		William H. Stuart	Polk
		Steve Simmons	St. Johns
		W. Herman Boyd	Dade
		Horman Doya	Dude

1972

M. A. Schack Jackson
Buford Council Hillsborough
Marvin Kahn Highlands
Gilbert Tucker Brevard

1971

Henry Gattrell Marion
Walter Welkner Duval
Wilmer Bassett Jefferson
Lamar Hancock Suwannee

1970

W.C. (Teddy) Barrineau Escambia
S. John Folks Pinellas
Doug Oswald Marion
Raymond R. Tucker Flagler

1969

Frank Pope Leon
George Townsend Madison
Erwin Bryant Jr. Sumter
Charnelle Campbell St. Johns

1968

W. M. Inman Gadsden
J. Bryan Dye Jr. Broward
Jim Griffin H Hillsborough

1967

Clarence R. Walker Escambia
Lat Turner Sarasota
William Earl Boyd St. Johns

1966

Elba Wilson Carswell Washington Louis Gilbreath St. Johns

1965

M. Langley Bell Sr. Escambia
Ed Fraser Baker
Francis D. Brannen Marion

SPECIALIST AWARD RECIPIENTS (FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS)

2007 Robert Stamps	Environ. Hort.	1995 Dr. Bill Stall	Vegetable Crops
2006 Dr. Tim Marshall Ar	nimal Science	1994 Dr. David Wright	North Florida REC
2005 John Arthington Ron Muraro	Animal Science Food & Resource	1993 Dr. Carroll Douglas	Poultry Science
2004	Economics Economics	1992 Dr. Larry Jackson	Fruit Crops
Dr. Bob Sand Dr. Bryan Unruh	Animal Science Turf grass	1991	•
2003		Dr. Ben Whitty	Agronomy
Dr. Findlay Pate Dr. Richard Sprenkel 2002	Animal Science North Florida REC	1990 Dr. Tom Kucherek	Plant Pathology
Chuck Cichra	Fisheries & Aquatic Sciences	1989 Dr. Freddie Johnson	Entomology
Tom Yeager	Horticulture	1988	
2001 Dr. George Hochmuth	North Florida REC	Dr. Ed J. Richey	Vet Medicine
2000 Dr. Fedro Zuzueta	Information Tech	1987 Dr. David Tucker	Fruit Crops
1999	mormaton rech	1986 Dr. Dan Webb	Dairy Science
Dr. Gerald Kidder	Soil & Water Sci.	1985	Duny Science
1998 Dr. Gary W. Simone	Plant Pathology	Dr. Timothy Crocker	Fruit Crops
1997	Eurina Hart	1984 Mr. Jim Stephens	Vegetable Crops
Dr. Gary Knox 1996	Environ. Hort.	1983 Mr. Dalton Harrison	A a Engineering
Dr. Kathleen Ruppert	Environ. Hort.	wii. Danon Hairison	Ag Engineering

1982

No Nominations

1981

Dr. Barney Harris Dairy Science

1980

Mr. Tony Jensen Forestry

1979

Mr. Kenneth Durrance Animal Science

1978

Mr. Lester Kalch Poultry Science

1977

Mr. Dave Jones Agronomy

1976

Dr. James Montelar Vegetable Crops

1975

Mr. Jim Pace Animal Science Mr. Tom Skinner Ag Engineering

FACAA Hall of Fame Award Winners

2007

James Watson CED, Ag Agent Retired, Duval County

2006

Lowell Loadholtz CED, Ag Agent Retired, Brevard County *2006 Southern Region NACAA Hall of Fame Award Winner



SECTION IV -- Additional Information

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS, INC. (A CORPORATION NOT FOR PROFIT)

WE, the undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, herby associate ourselves to form a corporation, not for profit, under the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE ONE NAME

The name of the corporation shall be FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS, INC., and is to be located in Alachua County, Florida. (revised 9/10/02)

ARTICLE TWO

PURPOSE (revised 9/10/02)

The purpose of this corporation shall be:

- 1. To encourage, promote, and provide professional improvement for all FACAA members; to provide for the educational exchange of ideas, methods, and techniques among FACAA members; and to promote public confidence, esteem, and respect for the Florida Cooperative Extension Service and FACAA members.
- 2. To advance the professional status of county Extension educators and state faculty with an Extension appointment;
- 3. To maintain official affiliation with the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) and to cooperate with NACAA and other professional organizations to further objectives of common interest with the association.

ARTICLE THREE

MEMBERSHIP

Any county, area or multi_county Extension agent or state faculty with an Extension appointment with active employment in the State of Florida, serving as a professional Agent or Specialist and meeting the qualification for employment of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service may become a member of the Association in a manner provided in the By_laws. Members may continue active memberships upon retirement. Members, upon retirement may be granted Life Membership upon approval of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors by a two_thirds (2/3) affirmative vote, may approve Honorary members.

ARTICLE FOUR

TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE FIVE

NAME AND RESIDENCE OF SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residence of the subscribers are as follows:

Jack Spears 201 N. Oklahoma St.

Bonifay, FL 32425

Clayton Hutcheson 531 N. Military Trail

West Palm Beach, FL 32043

Jesse Godbold A.C., 2463 St. Rd. 16 W

Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Al Dawson 6460 W. Broad St.

Brooksville, FL 38512

Robert Davis AREC 700 Experiment Station Road

Lake Alfred, FL 33850

ARTICLE SIX

OFFICERS

<u>Section 1.</u> The officer of the corporation shall be a President, President Elect, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the By_laws.

<u>Secion 2</u>. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

OFFICE NAME
President Jack Spears

President Elect Clayton Hutcheson Secretary Jesse Godbold Treasurer John Baldwin

<u>Section 3.</u> The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the membership as provided by the By_laws.

ARTICLE SEVENBOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>Section 1.</u> The Board of Directors shall manage the business affairs of this corporation. This corporation shall have ten (10) directors. The number of directors may be increased from time to time, by-laws, but shall never to less than (10).

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be a member of the corporation.

<u>Section 3.</u> Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By_laws.

<u>Section 4.</u> The names and address of the persons, who are to serve as directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, are:

Name	Address
Bobby Durden	PO Box 810, Quincy, FL 32351
Charles Walthall	PO Box 488, Crestview, FL 32536
Wayne Odegaard	Rt 1 Box 15, Mayo, FL 32066
Larry Loadholtz	3200 E New York Ave, Deland, FL 32724
James Dilbeck	49 King S., St. Augustine, FL 32804
Jim Selph	PO Box 310, Arcadia, FL 33821
Mark Spelbring	1516 Hwy 52, W. Dade City, FL 33825
Ken Shuler	2976 State Road 15, Belle Glade, FL 33430
Tim Hurner	1416 5th Ave., Sebring, FL 33870
Phillip Rowan	1302 11 St SW, Live Oak, FL 32060

ARTICLE EIGHT

BY LAWS

<u>Section 1.</u> The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such By_laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes, as they may deem necessary from time to time.

<u>Section 2.</u> Upon proper notice the by_laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting call for that purpose.

ARTICLE NINE

AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two_thirds vote of the membership present at the annual business meeting. The Board of Directors shall approve proposed amendments. The Secretary of the Association shall notify the entire membership not less than (30) days prior to consideration for adoption of any proposed amendment. No amendment shall be adopted without such prior notice.

ARTICLE TEN

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation and upon dissolution of this organization of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the Federal Government, or to a state or local 71 government or a public purpose, and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer, or director of this corporation.

ARTICLE ELEVEN LOCATION

The location of this corporation shall be at Alachua County Extension Office, 2800 NE 39th Ave, Gainesville FL 32609 2658. (revised 9/10/02)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned subscribing incorporators have hereunto set our hands and seals, this 1st day of June, 1984, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and whereby make and file in the Office of the Secretary of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

Revised 9/10/02

CONSTITUTION AND BY_LAWS FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS (FACAA)

ARTICLE 1 – MEMBERSHIP _ DUES

Section 1

The name of this Association shall be the Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents (FACAA), hereinafter referred to as the "Association". The Association shall continue to function until it officially is voted out of existence by a two_thirds (2/3) majority of the membership. This organization is a charter of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, a non_profit organization, hereinafter NACAA and shall operate in a manner consistent with the NACAA Constitution and By_Laws.

Extension agents and state faculty with an Extension appointment are eligible for membership and induction at the annual business meeting. Members of the Association shall be members of NACAA, through payment by the Association of membership dues to the National Association.

Section 2

The annual membership dues shall be set by the FACAA Board of Directors with changes approved by the membership, collectible by the Treasurer on or before the date of the annual business meeting. Dues shall be waived for first_year membership of new members who join during first year of employment.

Section 3

Agents granted Life Membership in the Association may be Life Members of NACAA upon payment of a fee, as prescribed by the By_Laws of that Association.

Section 4

Life and Honorary members shall not pay annual dues to the Association.

Section 5

Membership shall be revoked for failure to pay membership dues prior to <u>March 15</u>. The Board of Directors may revoke membership, for cause, providing the member is allowed a hearing with the Board in a regular meeting.

Section 6

Members may be considered for awards, recognition, scholarships, and other programs of the Association if, and only if, the Treasurer receives annual dues by January 1.

ARTICLE II – BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 1

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Association, The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers and ten (10) elected non_officer member Directors.

Section 2

A. The officers shall be President, President_Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President. (Revised (9/14/94)

B. The President_Elect shall automatically move into the office of the President. At the Annual Meeting, the following shall be elected: President_Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each shall hold office for a one year term or until a successor is elected and installed, President, President_Elect, Vice President, and Secretary commencing on the date of their installation; the Treasurer on January 1 of the year following the election. The Treasurer may be re_elected, but shall not serve more than three (3) one year terms. No other officer shall be eligible to serve for more than one term in the same office. (Revised 9/14/94)

C. Except for the Treasurer, at least one officer shall be elected from each of the FACAA Districts in rotation as established by Section 3 of this article. (Revised 9/14/94)

Section 3

Two (2) Directors shall be elected to represent each of the FACAA Districts of Florida. The districts shall be made up of the following counties:

<u>District #1</u> – Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, Bay, Jackson, Calhoun, Gulf, Liberty, Franklin, Gadsden, Leon, and Wakulla.

<u>District #2</u> – Jefferson, Madison, Hamilton, Taylor, Suwannee, Lafayette, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, Columbia, Baker, Union, Bradford, Alachua, Clay, Duval, and Nassau.

<u>District #3</u> – St. Johns, Putnam, Flagler, Volusia, Lake, Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Hernando, Marion, Sumter, Citrus, and Brevard.

<u>District #4</u> – Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, Polk, Hardee, DeSoto, Sarasota, Highlands, Indian River, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie.

<u>District #5</u> – Martin, Palm Beach, Glades, Hendry, Collier, Broward, Dade, Charlotte, Lee, Seminole Tribe, and Monroe.

State faculty with Extension appointments will be members of the District in which their office is located.

Directors shall be elected for a period of two (2) years with staggered terms. The two (2) Directors representing a District shall not be agents in the same county or faculty from the same department. (Revised 9/14/94)

ARTICLE III – MEETINGS

Section 1

There shall be an annual business meeting of the Association, held at a time and place selected by the Board of Directors.

Section 2

Special meetings other than the annual business meeting may be held at the call of the President for purposes designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 3

The Board of Directors shall meet at least three (3) times during the year, at the call of the President. A quorum for meetings of the Board of Directors shall consist of a majority of the members of the board.

Section 4

The Secretary shall notify the membership of any meeting of the Association at least fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting. Notice shall include an agenda of the meeting. The Secretary shall forward a copy of the minutes of all meetings to the membership within thirty (30) days after the meeting.

Section 5

The order of business meeting shall be:

- 1. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
- 2. Invocation
- 3. Reading and Disposal of Minutes of Previous Meeting
- 4. Reports of Officers and Committees
- 5. Unfinished Business
- 6. New Business
- 7. Program
- 8. Adjournment

Section 6

Roberts Rules of Order shall apply in all meetings of the Association. (Revised 9/14/94).

ARTICLE IV – DELEGATES OF NACAA, AWARDS, RECOGNITION

Section 1

The Association shall have delegates to the Annual Meeting of the NACAA. The President shall designate delegates on or before June 30 of each year, in a manner prescribed by NACAA policy. The President shall be, or shall appoint, the chair of the delegation.

Section 2

Distinguished Service Award (DSA) and Achievement Award (AA) nominations shall be made in accordance with guidelines set forth by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. Nominees for these awards shall be selected by a statewide committee of former recipients of the DSA, appointed by the President, representing each of the Association Director Districts equally. (Revised 9/14/94)

Section 3

The Association shall grant other recognition for outstanding Extension programs, and shall offer professional development opportunities. The President shall delegate responsibility for selection of members of recognition and professional improvement.

ARTICLE V – NOMINATION, ELECTIONS, FILLING OF VACANCIES

Section 1

The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, to nominate candidates for the elected officers of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall report a slate of candidates at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual business meeting to the Secretary. Nomination will be called from the floor following the report of the Nominating Committee. Election shall be held during the Annual business meeting.

Section 2

Directors shall meet with members from the Districts they represent prior to the annual business meeting to nominate at least one candidate for Director for that District. The Director shall report nominations to the President_Elect and Nominating Committee. Nominations will be called for from the floor. Election shall be by the entire membership at the same time as election of officers.

Section 3

Each member shall be privileged to cast one vote for each elective office and for each elective position for each Director position.

Section 4

Voting shall be by voice, show of hands, or written ballot. Election of officers and Directors shall require a simple majority.

Section 5

Officers and newly elected Directors shall be installed in office at the close of the annual business meeting.

Section 6

The President_Elect shall serve in the absence or disability of the President. Vacancies in the offices of President_Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Directors shall be filled by appointment of the President for the remainder of the term of office, subject to approval of the Board of Directors. (Revised 9/14/94)

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES

Section 1

Committees and the nature and extend of their duties shall be such as the Board of Directors deems necessary to further the purpose of the Association. The President shall appoint all committee chairs and members. (Revised 9/14/94)

Section 2

The Educational Foundation committee shall be composed of current officers and directors and be responsible for screening and selection of scholarship recipients.

Section 3

The Funding and Support committee shall be a standing committee and shall be composed of the five (5) most recent active past presidents having active membership in the Association. The Funding and Support Committee is responsible for raising funds for the Educational Foundation.

<u>ARTICLE VII – FINANCIAL AFFAIRS</u>

Section 1

The Treasurer shall deposit all funds of the Association in a bank or banks designated by the Board of Directors as depositories for the funds of the Association.

Section 2

The President and the Treasurer must approve the withdrawal of any funds from the Association's account.

Section 3

The Board of Directors may refuse to pay any expense accounts by any person or committee until all required expense accounts are properly presented to and filed with the Treasurer and have been approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 4

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on October 1, and end on September 30.

<u>ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS</u>

Section 1

These By_laws shall be amended by majority vote of nembers in attendance at the annual meeting. The Secretary shall notify the entire membership of any proposed amendments of the By_laws at least thirty (30) days prior to consideration for adoption. No amendments shall be adopted without such prior notification.

Section 2

All amendment shall include an effective date. Revised 9/10/02

Policies of FACAA

(updated September 2006)

- 1. The support money provided by the District Extension Director's Office for FACAA each year is to be used to offset expenses of DSA and AA award winners attending the National Meeting to receive their awards. A maximum of \$250 per DSA or AA award winner will be provided. If not all DSA/AA winners attend the National Meeting; the balance of the DED money may be allowed to offset expenses of the official voting delegates to the National Meeting.
- 2. All FACAA DSA and AA winners whose spouses attend the National Meeting to receive their awards shall receive \$200 from the FACAA treasury to offset their expenses in attending the meeting in accordance with the Bylaws.
- 3. The President Elect of FACAA shall register as President of FACAA at the National Meeting should it occur during the summer months preceding his or her being installed as President at the FACAA Annual Meeting, generally held in September.
- 4. The FACAA President Elect shall attend and register as an Associate Member for the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Annual Meeting. The President_Elect should notify the executive director of the Florida Association of Counties prior to becoming President, that he/she will represent FACAA as an Associate Member. The FACAA Treasurer will pay the necessary registration fees, in accordance with the Bylaws.
- 5. The President and President Elect shall attend the NACAA National Leadership Seminar in Washington DC and the NACAA Southern Region Meeting during their terms of office. Other officers may attend the Southern Region meeting provided funds are available. Registration fees, lodging, meals, and transportation will be paid by the FACAA, in accordance with the Bylaws.
- 6. The President Elect will Chair the County Commissioners Liaison Committee and will coordinate the FACAA "Country Store" at the Annual Meeting of the Florida Association of Counties.
- 7. The five most recent Past Presidents shall comprise the Nominating Committee. The immediate Past President will Chair this Committee.
- 8. FACAA shall provide one night's lodging and meals for Outstanding Agriculturist Award recipients and their spouses at the FACAA Annual Meeting.
- 9. All members of the Awards and Recognition Committee shall have been recipients of the Distinguished Service Award.

- 10. If any active member passes away, FACAA will donate \$50 to the Educational Foundation in memorial. The Secretary will see that proper notification, carrying the President's signature, be sent to the family.
- 11. The Past President will Chair the FACAA Education Foundation Committee and coordinate the annual Foundation Breakfast.
- 12. The Treasurer will notify all potential Life Members that they need to pay their one-time Life Member dues. The NACAA belt buckle will be presented to new life members by FACAA at the Annual Meeting.
- 13. Before an applicant will be considered for the FACAA Foundation Scholarship, the \$40 minimum contribution to the NACAA Scholarship Fund must have been satisfied.
- 14. Membership dues are not generally refundable; the Board of Directors must approve exceptions.
- 15. Requests for FACAA membership mailing list. The President and one member of the Executive Board will review each request and make a decision based on the merits of the request.
- 16. A plaque in recognition of service to FACAA will be presented to the President upon retirement from office at the FAEP Annual Conference (sponsored by FDACS).
- 17. A plaque and \$100 cash award will be presented to the Outstanding Senior in Extension Education by the President at the Annual FACAA Education Foundation Breakfast or at the FACAA Mid-Year Meeting.
- 18. Annually, the association will coordinate and fund an evening barbeque and presentation at the new Agent's orientation in-service training to promote FACAA membership. The association will attempt to coordinate this activity with the participation of the other Extension Agent professional associations.
- 19. State (NACAA) Awards Committee Chair rotation by District (abolished Sept, 2001).
- 20. The Life Member Committee Chair will be a Life Member (Sept, 2001).
- 21. Only paid members may serve on Association Committees. To insure this, after January 1, the President and President-Elect will verify all Committee members are in good standing with the Association. (June 2005)

- 22. The Winner of the FACAA "Young Professional Award" will receive a Plaque and \$100. In addition, they will be granted a stipend of up to \$300 to attend a National Meeting. This amount will be held in escrow for a period of not more than 2 years, after which time it will be transferred to the Educational Foundation Fund if not used and credit for contribution to the Foundation will be given to the recipient. (June 2005)
- 23. Reimbursement of Officer expenses for travel on behalf of the Association to attend training programs such as PILD, regional, and national training programs of JCEP and NACAA will be based on PeopleSoft guidelines for meals as well as actual expenses for registration, airfare, hotel and incidentals such as airport parking and shuttle services. (Sept. 2005)
- 24. An annual \$500 scholarship to an Ag or 4H Extension Education student at the University of Florida will be awarded once the Foundation reaches the \$100,000 level and the endowment is in place. (April 2006)
- 25. The selection of an annual Hall of Fame Award will be the responsibility of the Awards & Recognition Committee. (April 11, 2006)
- 26. The President-Elect will have the responsibility of working with committee chairs to insure that committee assignments are carried out in a timely manner. (April 11, 2006)