

# 2015 – 2016 FACAA Annual Report



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# **FACAA Annual Membership Meeting (at EPAF)**

Hilton Daytona Beach Resort/Ocean Walk Village Daytona Beach, Florida

> Tuesday, September 27, 2016 4:00 – 5:30 pm



# **Agenda**

Call to Order - Mark Shuffitt

Invocation – Ron Rice

Introductions: New Members / First-Time Attendees

Reading & Disposal of Minutes (Mid-Year FACAA Membership Meeting) – Libbie Johnson

Treasurer's Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

Audit Report – Joe Walter

NACAA Southern Region Director's Report – Jerry Brown, Burlington, KY

### **Old Business**

Committee Reports (follow order in 2016 FACAA Annual Report) – Committee Chairs

FAC/Country Store 2016 - Wendy Wilber

Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Ron Rice

Educational Foundation Update – Ron Rice

PILD Conference - Wendy Wilber & Mark Shuffitt

2016 NACAA AM/PIC Report (Little Rock, AR) – Libbie Johnson

FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair (always from Northeast District 2) - Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt

### **New Business**

EPAF Announcements - Mark Shuffitt

FAC/Country Store 2017 – Bridget Stice

Sunbelt Ag Expo 2016 – Ron Rice/Mark Mauldin

2017 Mid-Year Meeting Update – Libbie Johnson

Bid for Hosting NACAA AM/PIC 2022 (Bid presentation would be made at 2018 AM/PIC in Chattanooga, TN.)

NACAA Vice-President Candidate Gene McAvoy – Libbie Johnson

FACAA District Director Nominations/Elections – FACAA "Senior" District Directors

Nominating Committee Report (Election of FACAA Officers) – Ron Rice

Presentation of the Gavel

# Adjourn



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2015 – 2016



Dear FACAA Members,

Wow! It's been a long ride, but today I can almost see the end of the trail.

First I'd like to say Thanks to Ed Jennings for asking me to join the FACAA officer rotation. With the help and encouragement of our members and officers, we have made some of what I consider to be great strides to improve or organization this past year.

A few of our major accomplishments include:

The addition of Educational In-Service Training Tours at EPAF. Last year's FACAA Tour at EPAF hosted by Gene McAvoy and Lindsey Wiggins was awesome. These tours will be a permanent part of EPAF and you are encouraged to participate in their planning and organization when EPAF comes to your District.

Live (face-to face) Mid-Year Meeting at Florida Farm Bureau Federation in Gainesville. Elena Toro was the committee chair and did a great job of planning the meeting and organizing the Deans' and Administrative portion. Several Ag Agents have let me know how much they appreciated the meeting and look forward to our 2017 Mid-Year meeting. Libbie Johnson has agreed to chair the 2017 Mid-Year meeting and is already engaged in planning process. We have 100% control of this meeting, and I believe you can expect some really cool new educational and professional development opportunities in the near future.

If you haven't heard, FACAA has a new ad-hoc committee for Social Media. So far, they have created a Florida Association County Agricultural Agents Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Florida-Association-of-County-Agricultural-Agents-267264946964374/">https://www.facebook.com/Florida-Association-of-County-Agricultural-Agents-267264946964374/</a>, and Twitter account @FACAA16. Committee members include: Jennifer Bearden chair, Matt Lollar, Blake Thaxton, Doug Mayo, Gene McAvoy, James McWhorter and Jonael Bosques. Check them out. They're off to a great start.

We have recently been asked by NACAA to consider hosting the National AM/PIC meeting in 2022. This will be an item for discussion at our Board and Membership meetings during EPAF 2016.

I leave you in great hands. Wendy Wilber is an awesome leader and has a lot to offer our organization. The remainder of the officer team coming behind me Bridget Stice, Lindsey Wiggins, Christine Kelly-Begazo, and Jennifer Bearden is a stellar group. I must also say Ron Rice has been extremely helpful and supportive. I cannot express my appreciation enough for their help and encouragement! I expect them all to leave their "mark" both individually and as a team on FACAA.

Again, Thanks for the opportunity,

John My Shiffin





# Vice President's Message

2015-2016

### **Dear FACAA Members**

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Vice-President. It has truly been an honor. This role has enabled me to learn more about this great association and the outstanding individuals that make-up the membership. FACAA is made up of individuals that have a passion for what we do in our profession. Serving clientele and finding innovative ways to assist their systems in being more productive, efficient and environmentally sound are some of the ways that we shine in our association.

One of the major roles of the Vice-President is to compile the Annual Report. This has been a truly enlightening experience as I have had the opportunity to interact with all of the individuals that make this association work. I am amazed at the time, effort and enthusiasm that your officers and committee chairs put into their roles. I have learned a lot about this association through the process. Fulfilling this role would not have been possible without the help of my fellow board members and members of the association. I would like to thank all of you for your involvement in our association and willingness to work as a team to make this association exceptional.

One of my roles as President-Elect in the coming year is to head up our "Country Store" at the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) annual meeting June 27-30, 2017, at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. Due to scheduling conflicts I have never had the opportunity to actually participate in this event. But I know that, with the support of the association, it will be yet another excellent representation of UF/IFAS Extension to our county leaders. I will be calling on you for your assistance with donations and assistance at the event and thank you in advance for your help.

I encourage you to make plans to attend the NACAA AM/PIC June 9-13, 2017 in Salt Lake City, UT. This is an excellent opportunity for you to receive recognition and make presentations on your award winning work, and meet colleagues from across the country. Even if you do not submit for an award, present or exhibit, consider attending this inspiring event.

I would also like to encourage you to get involved in leadership roles at the state and national levels. Consider heading up a committee, submit awards, present abstracts and display posters. You are doing fantastic work as you serve your clientele and you possess skills that are an asset to this association. Share these to help make this association continue to be the best that it can be.

Again, I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you in my role as Secretary and Vice President and ask that you continue to support me as I progress through the leadership roles of our association. I could not be more proud to serve in these capacities.

Sincerely,

Bridget Stice

# **FACAA Past Presidents**

1936-37	K.C. Moore	1984-85	Clayton Hutcheson
1937-40	Fred Craft	1985-86	Jesse Godbold
1940-42	Paul Hayman	1986-87	Dr. John A. Baldwin
1942-44	John Henry Logan	1987-88	Robert M. Davis
1944-46	Ed Finlayson	1988-89	Bobby R. Durden
1946-49	M.U. Mounts	1989-90	G. Tim Hurner, Jr
1949-51	E.N. "Norbo" Stephens	1990-91	Jim Dilbeck
1951-53	Alec White	1991-92	Marvin F. Weaver
1953-55	Jim Watson	1992-93	Sidney L. Sumner
1955-57	Lonnis Blitch	1993-94	H.E. "Ed" Jowers
1957-59	R.E. "Bob" Norris	1994-95	Dallas B. Townsend
1959-60	Harry Brinkley	1995-96	Harold Jones
1960-61	James T. Oxford	1996-97	Clay Olson
1961-62	Lloyd Rhoden	1997-98	James F. Selph
1962-63	Ralph T. Clay	1998-99	Lawrence A. Heitmeyer
1963-64	K. Harper Kendrick	1999-00	William L. Schall
1964-65	John H. Causey	2000-01	Charles A. Williams
1965-66	W.W. Glenn	2001-02	Robert Hochmuth
1966-67	O.R. Hamrick	2002-03	Patrick Hogue
1967-68	Ken Clark	2003-04	Henry Grant
1968-69	Levi M. Johnson	2004-05	Gene McAvoy
1969-70	W.C. Farrell	2005-06	Liz Felter
1970-71	Horace Carr	2006-07	Mike Sweat
1971-72	Jean Been	2007-08	John Brenneman
1972-73	Paul Dinkins	2008-09	Doug Mayo
1973-74	Edsel Rowan	2009-10	Teresa Olczyk
1974-75	John Russell	2010-11	Jennifer Welshans-Pelham
1976-77	Tom Braddock	2011-12	Cindy Sanders
1975-76	Leonard Cobb	2012-13	Ed Jennings
1977-78	Jack Hayman	2013-14	Larry Williams
1978-79	Gil Whitton	2014-15	Ron Rice
1979-80	E.J. Cowan	2015-16	Mark Shuffitt
1980-81	J. Lowell Loadholtz		
1981-82	Bobby L. Taylor		
1982-83	Albert D. Dawson		
1983-84	Jack J. Spears		

# 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:

http://facaa.ifas.ufl.edu 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", as follows:

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

# **Program Recognition Council**

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: 4-H & Youth, Communications, Professional Excellence, Public Relations, Recognition & Awards, Scholarship, and Search for Excellence (Extension Programs). 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 Council**

This component is designed to enhance our members in the area of general Extension training. One common thread among NACAA members 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 subareas would not be subject matter specific, but rather would cover broad, general extension related topics that could focus on the following: Administration Skill Development, Agriculture Issues & Public Relations, Early Career Development, and Teaching & Educational Technologies. Each of these broad headings would become a Committee.

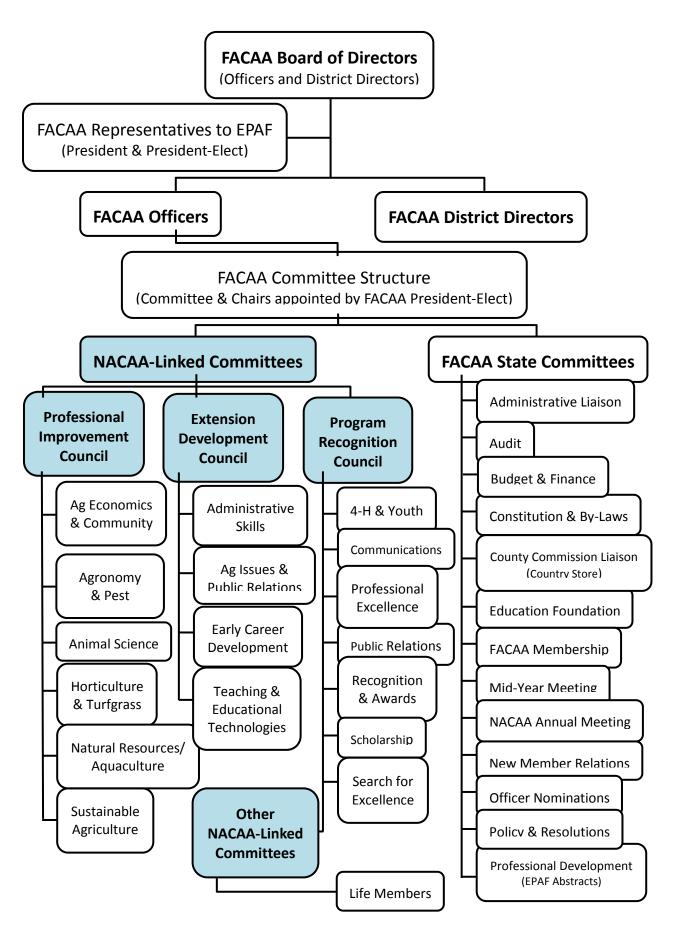
# **Professional Improvement Council**

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: Agricultural Economics, Agronomy & Pest Management, Animal Science, Aquaculture/Sea Grant, Forestry & Natural Resources, Horticulture & Turfgrass, and Sustainable Agriculture.

Each of these seven 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.

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Calhoun	Baker	Citrus	Hardee	Charlotte
Escambia	Bradford	Flagler	Highlands	Collier
Franklin	Clay	Hernando	Hillsborough	Dade
Gadsden	Columbia	Lake	Indian River	Glades
Gulf	Dixie	Marion	Manatee	Hendry
Holmes	Duval	Orange	Okeechobee	Lee
Jackson	Gilchrist	Osceola	Pasco	Martin
Leon	Hamilton	Putnam	Pinellas	Monroe
Liberty	Jefferson	St. Johns	Polk	Palm Beach
Okaloosa	Lafayette	Seminole	St. Lucie	Seminole Tribe
Santa Rosa	Levy	Sumter	Sarasota	
Wakulla	Madison	Volusia		
Walton	Nassau			

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# Section II FACAA Meetings Agendas & Minutes



# **FACAA Board Meeting (at EPAF)**

Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club Naples, Florida

Monday August 31, 2015 3:30 – 5:00 pm



# Agenda

Call to Order – Ron Rice
Invocation – Larry Williams
Reading & Disposal of Minutes (Mid-Year Board Meeting) – Bridget Stice
Treasurer's Report – Ed Skvarch
Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Ed Skvarch

# **Old Business**

2015 PILD Conference – Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt
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Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Cindy Sanders
Educational Foundation Update – Larry Williams
2015 NACAA AM/PIC Update (Sioux Falls, SD) – Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt

# **New Business**

EPAF Board Update - Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt

Nominating Committee Report (FACAA Officers & District Directors) – Larry Williams

2016 Mid-Year Meeting Update - Mark Shuffitt

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10-11 February 2016 Las Vegas, NV

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10-13 April, 2016 Crystal City, VA

FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair (always from Northeast District 2) – Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt

FACAA Treasurer Transition - Ed Skvarch

Review agenda items (FACAA Membership Meeting) – FACAA Board

# Adjourn



# FACAA Board Meeting Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club, Naples Meeting Minutes from August 31, 2015

President, Ron Rice, called the meeting to order at 3:35pm.

Invocation led by Larry Williams

In attendance: Ron Rice, Larry Williams, Mark Shuffitt, Wendy Wilber, Cindy Sanders, Bridget Stice, Ed Skvarch, Blake Thaxton, Matt Orwat, Tim Wison, Cami McAvoy, Jonael Bosques and Shawn Steed.

Reading and Disposal of Minutes from the Mid Year board meeting. Bridget Stice indicated that the FACAA board members had received the minutes via email. Thanks went to Wendy Wilber for taking those minutes and distributing them. Minutes were reviewed. There was discussion about tracking member contributions to the Foundation. Contributions need to be made directly to the FACAA treasurer. A correction to the Foundation Update was made. There were 13 individual entries (not 12). Bob Hochmuth was added to the list of individual awardees at \$500 to Sioux Fall, NACAA. Jonael Bosques moved to approve the minutes Cami McAvoy gave the second and the motion passed to approve the minutes from the 2015 Mid Year FACAA board meeting.

**Treasurers Report** Ed reminded the members that the change in the reporting period is due to the need to provide time for the auditing committee to complete the audit.

Reporting Period: 7/1/14 - 6/30/15

Ed Skvarch Treasurer

# **Total Checking Account Balance – 7/1/14**

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Mark Shuffitt had a question about EPAF registration and room comp, which is for the Friend of Extension.

# **Budget**

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**Membership Report** There are 146 active members and 103 life members.

Mark Shuffitt made the motion to accept the treasurer's report, budget and membership report. Shawn Steed seconded the motion. The motion passed.

# **Old Business**

**2015 PILD Conference** was attended by Mark Shuffit and Ron Rice in Washington DC and Alexandria Virginia. There were very good leadership meetings and then an opportunity to go to Capitol Hill to share the Extension message.

**2015 FAC/Country Store** Jonael reported that there was great representation from the northeastern district. There was excellent coordination across the state in preparation and delivery of the store. There were good visits with commissioners and administrators. A great deal of individuals were familiar with and appreciative

of the Extension Service. Set-up was a challenge as those setting up were not familiar with the appearance of the store. It was suggested that photographs would be helpful. It was also suggested to try to make it actually look like a store front, although space is limited.

**Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner** had a great turnout. There were about 75 people total in attendance. Every association was represented. There was good representation from Administration. Pat has promised that he might come back for cook crew next year to be held at Austin Cary in Gainesville.

**Educational Foundation Update** There is still confusion about the FACAA scholarship being under the FACAA Educational Foundation and not the scholarship committee, which only oversees the NACAA scholarship. Perhaps a name change for the Scholarship Committee would help to alleviate confusion. It was decided to list it as Scholarship (NACAA) Committee.

The FACAA Educational Foundation also handles Outstanding Student and Ag Sunbelt Breakfast, in addition to the FACAA scholarship. This year, the student is listed in the EPAF booklet but recognized at the Mid-Year meeting instead of EPAF. This is to help avoid putting a burden on the student to have them come to EPAF and foot the bill for their travel.

The FACAA Education Breakfast (or Ag Sunbelt Breakfast) is sponsored by Ag Sunbelt. Chip will be at the breakfast. We have received the sponsorship. The breakfast will be turned over to Chip.

Lenny Rogers, Southern Region Director from North Carolina, was introduced. He will give a report at the membership meeting.

Ed has cross-checked those that have donated \$100 or more to the Education Foundation with current membership. Members must be paid up by December 31<sup>st</sup> for 2016 membership to be eligible.

**2015 NACAA AM/PIC Update** Ron's report is summarized in the FACAA annual report.

# **New Business**

**EPAF Board Update** There are 53 signed up for the FACAA tour. There are 100 abstract presentations for FACAA. Roundtables will be setup in Wednesday's abstract sessions for seating. They have asked those that are visiting hospitality to keep the noise to a minimum and to not remove alcohol from the hospitality area. Hospitality will be in Florida building room 10. The silent auction will be out both nights. We will need 6 ticket takers for the Tuesday lunch buffet, the DSA banquet, and 3 ticket takers for the Deans Dinner. Ticket takers need to arrive 25 minutes early. Blake will take care of lining everyone up for the DSA/AA awards. On Thursday from 4 to 6:30 will be a second opportunity for photos on the lawn. Thursday at 5:15 a cash bar will be open through the auction. Professional dress is required for the Wednesday luncheon. There is 30 minutes allotted to change for tours. Valet parking is comp for EPAF participants.

**Nominating Committee Report** The nominating committee nominates the following slate of officers (as indicated in annual report):

President – Mark Shuffitt

President Elect – Wendy Wilber

Vice President – Bridget Stice

Secretary – Libby Johnson

Treasurer – Ed Skvarch

Ed will step down as treasurer at end of 2015. Christine Kelly-Begazo will take his place in January 2016. Notices have been sent to district directors to fill vacant spots.

**2016 Mid-Year Meeting Update** Date has been set for April 7<sup>th</sup> face-to-face meeting at Farm Bureau in Gainesville. At this time, there is no support from the Dean's office for travel. There may be support in following years if we include in-service training. The possibility of alternating location from district to district was discussed. There may be an opportunity for poster presentations and a networking reception. Mark is working on all of this.

2016 JCEP Leadership Conference February 10-11, Las Vegas, NV

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**FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair** As the rotation for EPAF chair syncs to the FACAA officer rotation, it has historically fallen on the responsibility of the northeast District 2 to serve as EPAF chair during FACAA's

rotation. This is an unfair burden on one district. The board discussed possible ideas for how to prevent this from continuing. Some possible solutions were to add an officer position (i.e. 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P.) or one position serves 2 years. This will be discussed further at the membership meeting.

**FACAA Treasurer Transition** Several recommendations have been made for the transition of the new treasurer. They are:

- Move accounting from Quicken to QuickBooks. Then it can be stored on the cloud.
- Look at moving accounts to another bank that offers online banking.
- The treasurer could wait to make one large deposit to NACAA rather than deposit on an as-you-go basis this has some concerns.

Motion to adjourn passed- Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm. Respectfully submitted Secretary Bridget Stice



# FACAA Annual Membership Meeting (at EPAF)

Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club Naples, Florida

Tuesday September 1, 2015 4:00 – 5:30 pm



# **Agenda**

Call to Order – Ron Rice
Invocation – Larry Williams
Self Introductions – New Members / First-Time Attendees
Reading & Disposal of Minutes (Mid-Year FACAA Membership Meeting) – Bridget Stice
Treasurer's Report – Ed Skvarch
Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Ed Skvarch
Audit Report – Joe Walter and Richard Tyson
NACAA Southern Region Director's Report – Lenny Rogers

### **Old Business**

Committee Reports (follow order in 2015 FACAA Annual Report) – Committee Chairs 2015 FAC/Country Store – Mark Shuffitt 2015 Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Cindy Sanders Educational Foundation Update – Larry Williams 2015 NACAA AM/PIC Update (Sioux Falls, SD) – Ron Rice

# **New Business**

EPAF Board Update – Ron Rice

Administrative Update – Dr. Saqib Mukhtar

2015 Sunbelt Ag Expo – Judith Ludlow & Elena Toro

2016 Mid-Year Meeting Update – Mark Shuffitt

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FACAA Plaques (at EPAF) – Shawn Steed

District Director Nominations/Elections – FACAA "Senior" District Directors

Nominating Committee Report (FACAA Officers)/Elections – Larry Williams

Presentation of the Gavel

Adjourn



# FACAA General Meeting Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club, Naples Meeting Minutes from September 1, 2015

President Ron Rice called the meeting to order

Larry Williams lead the invocation

**First time attendees were introduced:** Patrick Troy, SVAEC; Kevin Athearn, SVAEC; DJ Williams, Gadsden; Hank Bignell, Escambia; Grantly Ricketts, Osceola; Evan Anderson, Walton; Molly Jameson, Leon; Saqib Mukhtar, IFAS Admin.

In attendance were: Ron Rice, Mark Shuffitt, Bridget Stice, Wendy Wilber, Ed Skvarch, Larry Williams, Bob Hochmuth, Kevin Athearn, Patrick Troy, Saqib Mukhtar, Judy Ludlow, Laurie Hurner, Bill Schall, Chrisine Kelly-B, Liz Felter, Larry Figart, Gary England, David Holmes, David Austin, Maxine Floyd, Mary Beth Henry, William Lester, Norma Samuel, Chris Prevatt, Marvin Weaver, Keith Wynn, Jim DeValerio, Carolyn Saft, Shawn Steed, Lindsey Wiggins, Christa Kirby, James McWhorter, Aaron Stam, Cindy Sanders, Martha Maddox, Stacy Strickland, Ed Jennings, Sharon Gamble, Cami McAvoy, Juanita Popenoe, Vanessa Campoverde, Mark Warren, Yvette Goodiel, Matt Lenhardt, Jim Davis, Lenny Rogers, Elena Toro, Ralph Mitchell, Michelle Atkinson, Martha Glenn, Jennifer Pelham, Karen Stauderman, Jessica Sullivan, Bonnie Wells, Terra Freeman, Eva Pabon, Matthew Orwat, Blake Thaxton, Matt Lollar, DJ Wiggins, Libbie Johnson, Hank Bignell, Gabrielle Milch, Nicole Pinson, Frank Dowdle, Chris Miller, Jed Dillard, Mark Mauldin, Grantly Ricketts, Roy Beckford, Adrian Hansberg, Qingrne Wang, Tim Wison, Evan Anderson, Molly Jameson, Mace Bauer, Doug Mayo, Richard Tyson, Gene McAvoy, Aparna Gazula, Megan Brew, David Nistler, Jonael Bosques.

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**Membership Report** There are 146 active members and 103 life members.

Doug Mayo made the motion to accept the treasurer's report, budget and membership report. Liz Felter seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**EPAF Announcement** Martha Maddox needed a headcount for the FACAA Education Foundation Breakfast to give the hotel. She asked for any that do not plan to attend. She will plan on 125 to attend.

**Audit Report** Richard Tyson gave the report on behalf of Joe Walter. The financial records of the Association were reviewed by the audit committee through June 30, 2015. The Quickens files were audited and updated to reflect the information in the paper records of the transactions of the Association. The Association appears to be in a sound financial situation and accounts reconcile as of 6/30/2015.

There were recommendations from the audit committee as follows:

- The handbook should reflect the new reporting period for the audit to be July 31 through June 30.
- A reference tutorial guide/protocol for the use of the accounting software should be developed that will make accounting practices congruent as treasurer transitions occur as well as insure that generally accepted accounting practices are followed.
- Payment of NACAA dues to occur after July 1<sup>st</sup> or in one lump sum at the end of the year.

NACAA Southern Region Director's Report Lenny Rogers of North Carolina provided the report. He thanked all for the hospitality. He introduced himself as the County Extension Director of Alexander County. His program areas are horticulture, pesticide education, water quality and 4-H. He has been with the Extension service for 27 years. He reviewed the NACAA Southern Region Leadership. He encouraged individuals to get involved in state association and move up through the national association. He described the role of the Southern Region Director. Lenny described the last NACAA conference in Sioux Falls. At the conference, they accepted the bid to host the AM/PIC in 2019, elected officers, awards, posters, presentations, etc. He reviewed Florida winners at AM/PIC.

If members attended the Galaxy conference a couple of years ago, they received a voucher that can be used towards registration for a 3 year period. Next year is the last chance to use the voucher if it has not been used yet.

He reminded and encouraged individuals to submit articles for the County Agent magazine and the NACAA journal. The national association is always looking for donors. There are incentives if members help secure sponsorships. Only the state winners are judged in the poster contest now. Posters can still be submitted for exhibit. There are financial incentives in the poster contest. Florida had 11 in the Extension category and 2 in applied research.

Committees and Communication is the backbone of the association. Lenny encouraged good communication from the state to national level for committees and committee chairs. Scholarships are available for members for up to \$2,000. All it requires is a donation to the AM/PIC.

The state officers handbook has a wealth of information for the state officers. It is online. The National Outstanding Young Farmer Award is sponsored by John Deere and selected by NACAA. There are several educational webinars available in addition to the AM/PIC. Lenny listed the current NACAA officers. He discussed the rotation of directors. Florida does not come up again until 2023. He also listed the upcoming NACAA AM/PIC meeting

2016 – Little Rock, Arkansas

2017 - Salt Lake City, Utah

2018 – Chattanooga, Tennessee

Other meetings include JCEP and PILD. Member involvement is encouraged.

# **Old Business**

**Committee Reports** as followed from the 2014-15 Annual Report. Committee sign-ups were posted throughout the room.

# **NACAA Professional Improvement Council Linked Committees**

Agricultural Economic & Community Development – No update, James McWhorter

Agronomy & Pest Management – No update, Mace Bauer

**Animal Science** – No update, Jonael Bosques

Natural Resources/Aquaculture - No update

**Horticulture & Turfgrass** – No update

Sustainable Agriculture – as reported in annual report, Christine Kelly Begazo

# **NACAA Extension Development Council Linked Committees**

Administrative Skills – no update

**Agricultural Issues & Public Relations** – No update in addition to annual report. Stacy Strickland described the role of this committee.

**Early Career Development** – this committee tries to help district directors to work with new members to encourage them to submit for awards, posters, etc. Libbie Johnson

Teaching & Educational Technologies – No update, Matt Lollar

# **NACAA Program Recognition Council Linked Committees**

4-H & Youth - No update

**Communications** – Matt Lollar thanked Lenny Rogers for recognizing all our communications award winners. There is a display of the award winners in front of the Mangrove Ballroom. All are encouraged to apply next year.

**Professional Excellence** – Nicole Pinson reported that two posters were submitted in Applied Research and eleven posters were submitted in the Extension Education category.

**Public Relations** – Tim Wilson reported that there were four excellent submissions for the NACAA Ag Awareness and Appreciation Award. The winning submission was titled, "Naturally EscaRosa: Promoting Ecotourism and Agritourism in Northwest Florida."

**Recognition & Awards** – As highlighted in the FACAA section of EPAF.

**Scholarship** – David Austin reported for Sheila Dunning. Beyond the FACAA Educational Foundation, Members may receive financial support for professional improvement from the National organization. Further information about the program may be obtained from the NACAA website. Those members in good standing of the FACAA that have contributed at least \$40 to the NACAA Scholarship Fund prior to the last NACAA Annual Meeting (July 2014) were eligible to apply for up to \$1,000 per year, with a total of \$2,000 allowed during a member's Extension career. Thirty-seven eligible members were notified by e-mail on April 15, 2015 that they could apply for this professional improvement support. Four applicants were awarded the requested and/or allowed amounts, totaling \$3,050. The remainder can be found in the annual report.

Search for Excellence - report in annual report

# **NACAA Linked "Other Committees"**

**Life Members** (**FACAA**) – Ron reported that he would help with coordinating with this next year with Tim Hurner

# **State Committee Reports**

Audit – already reported

Budget & Finance – already reported

Constitution & By-Laws – No report

County Commission Liaison – to be reported

**Educational Foundation** – to be reported

FACAA Membership – already reported

Mid-Year Meeting – to be reported

NACAA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC) – already reported New Member Relations – Worked throughout the state to seek nominations for the young professional award. Matt Lollar will be recognized at the award banquet sponsored by Ron O'Connor of Farm Credit.

Officer Nominations – to be reported

Policy & Resolutions – No report

**Professional Development (EPAF Abstracts)** – No update. We are in dire need of a chair. Shawn Steed volunteered from the floor.

**2015 FAC/Country Store** Mark Shuffitt thanked all of those that participated in making the Country Store a success. It takes a lot of people to make this event successful. Wendy Wilber will be in charge for 2016. She will need help. Working toward making the booth look more like a country store and getting photos posted to the website. 2016 will be in late June. Need lots of help in the first day.

**2015 Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner** – Cindy Sanders reported that the dinner was held in early August at Austin Cary in Gainesville. This is an appreciation dinner for Farm Bureau supporters statewide. All the associations were present. FACAA did a great deal of the work to make it a success.

**Educational Foundation Update** – Larry Williams reported that there are scholarships available through the state association. He encouraged members to go to the website to get the details. Thirteen members were listed individual scholarships, as listed in the annual report. All but two were for support to go to the National AM/PIC meeting. There was one group awarded as well.

The Education Foundation also recognizes an outstanding student. This year was a little different in that we recognized the student at the mid-year meeting, instead of at EPAF. This year's recipient is Peiwin Wang. The Education Foundation also helps with the FACAA Education Foundation breakfast to be held the following morning. Larry encouraged everyone to attend. Chip Blalock with Sunbelt Expo will be there as the Expo funds the breakfast. Lastly, Larry thanked his committee members.

# **New Business**

**EPAF Board Update** Ron reported that hospitality will be in Florida room 10. Everyone is asked to keep the noise down and to keep drinks in the hospitality area only. Ticket takers are needed for the banquet.

**Administrative Update** Dr. Saqib Mukhtar discussed the town hall meetings and staffing. We are looking at regional specialized and state specialized agents. We are discussing how to fund these positions. With the IFAS funding from the legislature, we should be able to enhance our capacity. Therefore there will be at least 3 RSA's hired in the near future. The other 2 will be hired in the next year or so.

He also discussed Revenue Enhancement. This is revenue to enhance our capacity to do better. Our programs have tremendous value. He has also been talking about rejuvenating our state specialist/county agent relationships. The message is that we are a land grant university and we have a land grant mission and there are 67 other university campuses in the great state of Florida. Lastly he wanted to talk about the impact of our programs. WE need to think about the impact now, in the near future and in the next 10 years.

**2015 Sunbelt Ag Expo** Judith Ludlow explained the Sunbelt Ag Expo. She encouraged members to attend the event. This year it is October 20-22 in Moultrie. UF/IFAS has a permanent building on site. It is an excellent opportunity for IFAS to showcase all the major program areas. This year's theme is "Feeding the World of the Future." There are travel funds available.

**2016 Mid-Year Meeting Update** This year's meeting will be a face to face meeting instead of polycom. We will be meeting at the Farm Bureau building in Gainesville on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Cynthia Gregg from NACAA will present. Also may add a poster session/reception to provide an opportunity to exhibit and network. Funding may be available for future meetings if we can include in-service training.

**FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair** One of the items of discussion of the board has been an issue with the rotation for EPAF chair. It always draws on the same FACAA district, because there are five associations, five FACAA districts and five officer positions. The board is looking at solutions to help spread this across the districts. A decision will not be made at today's meeting, but expect something in the future to be presented as a solution. Some of the possible solutions include adding an officer role or making a position a multi-year position. It will likely involve some by-law changes that will have to be put to vote.

**FACAA Treasurer Transition** Ed Skvarch has been our treasurer for three years. Christine Kelly-Begazo has stepped up to be our Treasurer. The position will overlap through December.

**FACAA Plaques** Shawn Steed put up for consideration the cost of plaques for awards. This year the cost for plaques was \$1,769.06. He suggested providing an option for a plaque, a donation to a scholarship fund, or a check for the cost of an individual plaque to the awardee. There was a great deal of discussion. It was stated that plaques are beneficial to young agents. It was also suggested that FACAA could do like another

association and temporarily loan a frame to the awardee that held a certificate. It was stated that awards are key to recognizing excellence. This will be decided upon at the mid-year meeting.

# **District Director Nominations/Elections**

District 1 – Blake Thaxton is rotating off. Julie McDonald is coming in. Matt Orwat is moving to the Senior position.

District 2 – is working on replacing both positions.

District 3 – Jonael Bosques is rotating off. Bonnie Wells is coming in. Cami McAvoy is moving to the Senior position.

District 4 – Shawn Steed is rotating off. James McWhorter is coming in. Crystal Snodgrass is moving to the Senior position.

District 5 – Les Baucum has rotated off. Chris Miller is coming in. Vanessa Campoverde is moving to the Senior position.

**Out of Order** Jonael Bosques announced that if we have an in-service training need that we need to contact Tom Obreza.

**Nominating Committee Report/Elections** Larry Williams provided the report on behalf of the 2014-2015 Officer Nominating Committee, who respectfully submit the following officers for the 2015-2016 year:

President – Mark Shuffitt

President Elect – Wendy Wilber

Vice President – Bridget Stice

Secretary – Libbie Johnson

Treasurer – Ed Skvarch until December 31; Christine Kelly Begazo beginning Jan 1, 2016

Past President – Ron Rice

A motion was made by Ed Jennings and seconded by Cami McAvoy to approve the slate of officers. The motion passed.

The gavel was passed to Mark Shuffitt

Laurie Hurner has served as the sponsorship chair for EPAF and raised \$7,500. She asked for help in securing sponsors across the state.

All signed up for committees.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

FACAA Secretary, Bridget Stice



# FACAA Board Meeting December 17, 2015 Polycom with Multiple Sites Agenda



Call to Order – Mark Shuffitt

Invocation –

Roll Call of Directors & Officers – Libbie Johnson

Reading & Disposal of August 31, 2015 Board Minutes – Bridget Carlisle

Treasurer's Report & Membership Update – Ed Skvarch

# **Old Business**

EPAF 2015 Summary – Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber

Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP – Feb. 10-11, 2016) –

Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber

Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD – April 10-13, 2016) – Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber

FACAA Educational Foundation Update: Ron Rice

2015-2016 FACAA Committees: Mark Shuffitt

Committee chairs & members are listed on our website

District Directors 2015-2016: Mark Shuffitt

All Districts reporting and listed on our website. District II still needs to choose a director to serve a two year term.

# **New Business**

Mid-Year Meeting: Farm Bureau Bldg., Gainesville; Thursday April 7, 2016 Elena Toro NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out (Little Rock, AR.; July 24-28, 2016) – Wendy Wilber & Libbie Johnson

Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Country Store (Hyatt Regency, Orlando; June 28 – July 1, 2016) – Wendy Wilber

EPAF 2016 – will be September 26 – 30 at the Daytona Hilton

Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner 2015 - Cindy Sanders

Website Update – Jennifer Bearden

# **Other Business**

Next Meeting – Spring Board Meeting Date (April) Adjourn



# **FACAA Board Meeting December 17, 2015 Polycom with Multiple Sites Minutes**



Called to Order by Mark Shuffitt at 10:05.

In attendance were Ron Rice, Mark Shuffitt, Wendy Wilber, Libbie Johnson, Julie McConnell, Cami McAvoy, Crystal Snodgrass, James McWhorter, Vanessa Campoverde, Christian Miller, Ed Skvarch

Invocation was offered by Ron Rice, Past President

The reading & disposal of August 31, 2015 Board Minutes was moved to Spring meeting.

NOTE: Send out with the December minutes before the April board meeting.

# **Treasurer's Report**

Ed Skyarch submitted the Treasurer's Report that reflects the period from 7/1//15 through 12/17/15.

**Total Checking Account Balance (7/1/15)** \$21,416.47

**Income** 

FACAA Membership Dues 10,200.00

States Night Out 546.80

Sunbelt Agricultural Expo Sponsorship 750.00

EPAF Auction Proceeds (2015) 1,441.60

**Total Income** \$12,938.40

**Expenses** 

**NACAA** Membership Dues 5,400.00

Minerva's 1,021.19

Liz Felter (Flower Reimbursement Elmo Collum) 90.90 Award Certificates, Plaques & Stamps 1,924.00 Young Professional Award (Matt Lollar) 400.00

Outstanding Young Student Award (Pei-wen Huang) 500.00

Travel Reimbursement 2015 NACAA/AA Stipend (Gary England) 200.00

Supplies Reimbursement (Ron Rice @ EPAF) 36.03 EPAF Registration & Room Comp. 510.00

Audit adjustment 6.02

**Total Expenses** \$10.088.14

**Total Checking Account Balance (12/18/15)** \$24,266.73

Savings Account Balance (12/18/15) \$12,649.74

Interest Income

**Total Savings Account Balance (12/18/15)** \$12,652.42

**Total Savings & Checking Balance (6/30/14)** \$36,919.15

#### **Total Checking Account Balance (7/1/15)** \$21,416.47

The \$200 to Gary England reflects monetary support for spouse's travel (Julie England) to travel to AMPIC. Shuffitt asked why the report showed that only half of the cost for Minerva's—Skvarch replied that he had received the remainder previous to this report as many had paid for their bill before this report. Cami moved to approve the treasurer and membership report. Seconded by James McWhorter. Approved by consensus. Motion approved.

# **Membership Update**

Ed Skvarch provided the membership update report. As of December 15, 2015, we had 112 Active Members and 112 life members. We need to get our membership up by March 15 to be eligible for the previous number of DSA, AA, and voting delegates. We have 7 new members for 2016 that have their first year fee waived.

# **Transitioning FACAA Treasurers**

Skvarch is trying to streamline the transition by developing a timeline, updating his books, turning over files, and providing helpful hints to set up for Christine K. Begazo. He will help her in the process. She needs to switch her names on a few accounts, but Skvarch is trying to make this transition a smooth process. Shuffitt publicly applauded Skvarch's tireless work as treasurer.

### **Old Business**

**EPAF 2015 Summary**: Wendy thought it went well, and the abstracts presented in FACAA were outstanding. Wendy and Shuffitt are both serving on the EPAF board. Shuffitt emailed us all a copy of the evaluations and suggested we all review the comments.

**Joint Council of Extension Professionals**: JCEP 2016 will be held February 10-11, 2016. Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber will travel to JCEP in Las Vegas but will not have an abstract presentation.

**Public Issues Leadership Development Conference**: PILD 2016 will take place from April 10-13. Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber are planning on attending. On the last day of the trip they go up to meet with legislators. Prior to the conference, they will have a briefing meeting with Dr. Place to review topics of discussion.

FACAA Educational Foundation Update: Ron Rice reminded us that the deadline for receiving applications for funding is March 15. Ron will send out a reminder to membership. He will coordinate with Amy Harder for Outstanding student and communicate with Chip Blalock for the FACAA breakfast. Ron reminded us that if we want to apply for one of these awards, there is info on the website. We need to look into the dates on the website because it might be incorrect. He proposes to have March 15 as the deadline for both reports and will work with Jennifer to edit and update the forms. On the website, as you are going through the mechanics of a donation to the FACAA Foundation scholarship, there is not a clear way to line item who gets the support. Ron Rice wants the check to go straight to the FACAA treasurer who can make the proper accounting and then send the checks up the food chain to Keith Gouin for the final deposit. Ron Rice discussed the composition of the FACAA Educational Scholarship committee. By-laws state that it has to be made of Past President and current President. Laurie Hurner is also on the committee. Ron suggested that the Vice

made of Past President and current President. Laurie Hurner is also on the committee. Ron suggested that the Vice President be included. Mark Shuffitt appointed Bridget Stice to this year's committee and will send out an email that appoints a few more to get to a *required* committee of 5 people. Ron and Mark both agreed that the VP should automatically be assigned to be a member of the Educational Scholarship committee.

Ron asked about where the money for the scholarship came from—does it come from the Educational Foundation or the actual FACAA account? Ed Skvarch answered that it comes out of the FACAA account because there was a problem with Keith Gouin getting it out of the Foundation.

Ron confirms that the chair of the Educational Foundation Committee should also be member of the Scholarship Committee. Should be auto-assigned.

Finally, Ron wants to re-implement the provision where FACAA provides funeral flowers for past presidents. In an old committee report, he saw it listed. He will do some research and get back to the group.

**2015-2016 FACAA Committees:** Mark Shuffitt reported that Committee chairs & members are listed on our website. Mark publicly thanked Jennifer for her work on the website. Mark commented that he thinks that having the large sheets for sign up at EPAF is a very effective way of getting more people to serve on committees.

**District Directors 2015-2016:** Mark Shuffitt said that that all districts reported and listed on our website. District II still needs to choose a director to serve a two year term. District director opening in District II because Tim Wilson moved over to St. Johns. Shuffitt will work with Mace to try to get someone on.

# **New Business**

**2016 Mid-Year Meeting**: This year, the mid-year meeting will be face-to-face and will be held at the Farm Bureau Building in Gainesville on Thursday April 7, 2016. Elena Toro is the mid-year committee chair. Shuffitt will firm up the plans to have it at the Farm Bureau. He's trying to get Cynthia Gregg in Virginia to come to address our group. If she's not available, then he will ask Lenny Rogers. Shuffitt also would like to have a reception the evening before the meeting. Shuffitt wants to include a non-competitive poster session at the meeting. Would like to put the district directors in charge of posters--- get people to apply to put them in.

- o Need to figure how many poster stands we can get and how many we can get in the room.
- Hopes to have 20-30 submissions.

- o Julie McConnell suggested to try to say that there are a certain amount that will be accepted per district.
- o Posters should follow the NACAA guidelines.
- o Shuffitt wants the district directors to get together and form a committee.

NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out. 2016 AMPIC will be in Little Rock, Arkansas from July 24-28, 2016. Wendy Wilber & Libbie Johnson are coordinating the state's night out. Wendy has started to look for restaurants that can accommodate 50 people and has it narrowed down to 50 people. All FACAA members and their family in attendance are invited and encouraged to attend States Night Out for fellowship.

**Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Country Store**: FAC will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Orlando from June 28 – July 1, 2016. Wendy Wilber is coordinating FACAA's efforts. She will put out an all call for donations and will need help staffing that event. Mark Shuffitt volunteered to help and encouraged board members to attend and help staff the booth.

**EPAF 2016**: EFAP will be held September 26 - 30 at the Daytona Hilton. Price is \$129 for the room. Reception on Monday night will be at the Daytona Speedway. Wednesday will be tour day.

Shuffitt gave Lindsey Wiggins and Gene McAvoy kudos for a great tour down in south Florida and wants to keep it going. Will request them to be on the Tour committee.

Sharon Fox Gamble and David Griffith will be the local liaisons for our tour but are asking for reps from each association to be the leaders. Contact Wendy if you are available to help with this.

Shuffitt asked for IST credit. Dr. Obreza will pay for the FACAA tour if we make it into an IST.

**Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner**: This annual dinner will take place in mid-August 2016 and will be coordinated by Cindy Sanders. The event will be at the Austin Carey lodge. Final date has yet to be determined.

**Website Update**: If you see something that needs to be changed, contact Jennifer Bearden, our FACAA webmaster, directly.

#### **Other Business**

The next Spring Board meeting will be held in Gainesville on April 6<sup>th</sup> around 2 or 3 pm Eastern. Those that can't meet can join by distance technology.

J. McWhorter was asked to bring up the issue of having the Professional Development Plan at the end of ROA to our association. It was asked if it was necessary to have this plan tied to the ROA. Shuffitt would like this question to be answered by Dr. Place during the Administrative Update at the mid-Year meeting and will work with Elena to put this on the agenda.

Adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted by Libbie Johnson



#### **FACAA Mid-Year Board Meeting**

April 6, 2016

3:00 pm (Eastern Time)

#### Agenda



Call to Order – Mark Shuffitt Invocation – Larry Williams Roll Call (Officers & District Directors) – Libbie Johnson Reading & Disposal of Minutes (17 Dec, 2015 Board Meeting, polycom) – Bridget Stice Treasurer's Report & FACAA Membership Update – Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### **Old Business:**

- ➢ Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP 2016) Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber 10 11 Feb, 2016 (Las Vegas, Nevada)
- ➤ FACAA Educational Foundation Update Ron Rice

#### **New Business:**

- Sponsorship request for 2016 NACAA AM/PIC; Arkansas Ag Agents Mark Shuffitt
- FACAA Educational Foundation Update (Rules) Mark Shuffitt
- ➤ Mid-Year FACAA Members Meeting (April 7, Farm Bureau Bldg. Gainesville) Elena Toro
- Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD 2016) –
   Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber 11-13 April, 2016 (Crystal City, Virginia)
- NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out Wendy Wilber 24-28 Jul, 2016 (Little Rock, Arkansas)
- Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Conference (Country Store 2016) Wendy Wilber

28-30 Jun, 2016 (Hyatt Regency, Orlando, Florida)

- ➤ EPAF 2016 (including FACAA Tour Update) Mark Shuffitt
- 26 30 Sept., 2016 (Daytona Hilton)
- Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner Ron Rice
- ➤ Website Update (and FACAA List/Serve) Jennifer Bearden

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- Teaching and Educational Technology
- Administrative Liaison
- Other

Other Business:

➤ Next FACAA Board Meeting - (at EPAF Daytona ... Monday August 26, 2016)

Adjourn



#### **FACAA Mid-Year Board Meeting**

April 6, 2016 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)



#### **Minutes**

Call to Order – Mark Shuffitt, 3:04

Invocation – Ron Rice

Roll Call (Officers & District Directors) – Libbie Johnson

 Wendy Wilbur, Mark Shuffitt, Christine Begazzo, Cami McAvoy, Christian Miller, Ron Rice, Bridget Stice, Julie McConnell, Libbie Johnson, Mace Bauer

Reading & Disposal of Minutes (17 Dec, 2015 Board Meeting, polycom) – Bridget Stice

• Wendy made the motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Christine. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report & FACAA Membership Update – Christine Kelly-Begazo

- Christine updated the records to the past five years, and retired and disposed of information from the past.
- She enrolled everyone properly by the deadline.
- Membership: She put in 95 paid members, 3 complimentary members (Mukhtar, Place, and Obreza), Skvarch had enrolled some before. We have 136 by March, some others pending. 98 life members. Official report will be on the April 7, 2016.
- Developed a form to help with cutting checks and give more of a history of the expenditures.
- \$2010 paid to NACAA dues.
- Matt Lollar received his money for Farm Credit Young Professional
- Christine has issues dealing with the credit union and would like to suggest using Wells Fargo, and they don't charge for 501 accounts like ours.
  - o Wendy suggested checking with Joe Walther about the benefits about using that particular bank.
  - o Shuffitt suggested doing whatever is most convenient for you.
  - o Christine made the motion to look into using Wells Fargo to see what it would take to transfer the balance and make the banking easier for our treasurer.
    - Bridget seconded. Motion Passed.
- There are two forms for membership—on that is unfillable and one that is fillable form that has the wrong person's name for treasurer; webmaster/treasurer will have to reconfigure the form/site.

Motion to accept the membership and treasurers report by Bridget Stice, seconded by Ron Rice

#### **Old Business:**

- ➤ Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP 2016) Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber
- 10 11 Feb, 2016 (Las Vegas, Nevada)
  - o Wendy said it was a good meeting—it focused on generational issues.
    - Keynote speaker wrote "Juggling Elephants"- she thought the fact about developing relationships was interesting.
    - Brad and Elena had the best presentation that she heard.
    - Florida is in really good shape compared to other states.
    - We need to try to get the newer people into leadership roles sooner.
    - Christine and Wendy spoke about working with college students to get them interested in Extension.
    - Shuffitt says the Extension paradigm doesn't fit into what people coming into the workforce are looking to do. Millennials want to be impactful, but they are mobile. They will be gone if we don't engage them, so we need to get them interested in staying. If people were getting halfway decent raises regularly between raises—give them something to encourage them to stay.

- Christine thinks that there needs to be exit interviews or surveys to see what changes can be made. Ron will bring this up at the next EPAF meeting
- Cami asked about possibly Extension doing career fairs. One of our committees could do this.
- Mace said that hiring summer interns is a good program and could be a way to get college students involved and interested in becoming an Extension agent.
- ➤ FACAA Educational Foundation Update Ron Rice
  - o Scholarship fund—12 applied and 12 were accepted. We generally think about using \$5000 annually, but occasionally we go over.
  - o Liz Felter, Richard Tyson, Terra Freeman, Terry DelValle, Libbie Johnson, Celeste White, Dan Fenneman, Ed Jennings, Martha Maddox, Dennis Mudge, Cindy Sanders,
  - Amy Harder's group has met, and we do have an Outstanding student award: Priscilla Zelaya, and the \$500 check will be given at EPAF.
    - Shuffitt wants a short bio of the winner to share at the mid-year meeting. We could remove the requirement that they need to attend at an official FACAA meeting to receive their check. They can still be invited to the mid-year meeting. Ron wants to put them in the EPAF bulletin.
  - o Ron Rice is organizing the Farm Bureau dinner—he needs to talk to Cindy Sanders. It will probably be August 9 at the Austin Cary Forestry Center.
  - o Ron hasn't contacted Chip Blalock about the Sunbelt Expo sponsorship.

#### **New Business:**

- Sponsorship request for 2016 NACAA AM/PIC; Arkansas Ag Agents Mark Shuffitt
  - After doing some research from the past few years, FACAA has provided \$3000 for S.C. and AL as sponsorship. Libbie made the motion for providing \$3000, Wendy seconded. Motion passed. Shuffitt will send a sponsorship letter to Christine.
- ➤ FACAA Educational Foundation Update (Rules) Ron Rice
  - o Ron: there is conflicting information available—depending on where the file is located.
  - o Ron suggests this:
    - A minimum of \$100 contribution needs to be submitted by December 31 to be eligible.
    - Correct this: Application for travel scholarship is due April 1. Travel must take place April 1 through March 31 of the following year.
    - Correct guidelines and selection criteria so that the award period is April 1 of current year through March 31 of the following year.
    - Remove the wording that says that the scholarship recipient must present a summary to the membership.
- Mid-Year FACAA Members Meeting (April 7, Farm Bureau Bldg, Gainesville) Elena Toro
  - Will talk to Jerry Clemons from Arkansas.
  - We are expecting about 50 people on Thursday.
- ➤ Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD 2016) —

Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber 11-13 April, 2016 (Crystal City, Virginia)

- Wendy and Mark are leaving next week. Wendy is getting items and talking points together and she's very excited about going.
- NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out Wendy Wilber 24-28 Jul, 2016 (Little Rock, Arkansas)
  - State's Night Out will be at Brave New Restaurant in Little Rock. Will have a good selection for our membership who attends State Night Out. Ron will send the spreadsheet to Wendy.
- Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Conference (Country Store 2016) Wendy Wilber
  - 28-30 Jun, 2016 (Hyatt Regency, Orlando, Florida) Set up will be the day before.
  - Lodging for Wendy is paid for by the Dean.
  - Eric Simonne and Wendy are well on their way for planning this event. She has sent out an all call for 200 items and baskets. Wendy invites us all to make a donation and to work the event. Shuffitt will send a spread sheet to Wendy Wilbur.
  - Start delivering to Dr. Simonne- he will store in his office.

- A hand truck is needed.
- ➤ EPAF 2016 (including FACAA Tour Update) Mark Shuffitt
- 26 30 Sept., 2016 (Daytona Hilton)
  - Call for abstracts has gone out. Shawn Steed is the 2016 chair. It has been the practice in the
    past to allow 2 abstracts from one person for FACAA. Ron thinks this is an EPAF
    "guideline."
- Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner Ron Rice
  - Will talk to Cindy Sanders about moving forward with August 9th.
- ➤ Website Update (and FACAA List/Serve) Jennifer Bearden

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#### **Other Business:**

Next FACAA Board Meeting - (at EPAF Daytona ... Monday August 26, 2016)

Adjourn at 4:55.



#### **FACAA Mid-Year Membership Meeting**

April 7, 2016

## Florida Farm Bureau Federation Building 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Agenda



9:00 -9:30 a.m. Registration

9:30 - 10:45 a.m. FACAA Business meeting

10:45 - 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00-12:00 a.m. Panel discussion with Dr. Nick Place, Dr. Tom Obreza and Dr. Saqib Mukhtar Led by Ed Skvarch, FACAA Administration Liaison Committee

12:10 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch- provided by FACAA (Table top set up)

1:00 -2:00 p.m. Understanding the mission and services Florida Farm Bureau provides to its members.

Strengthening IFAS and Farm Bureau's relationships at the county level.

0 & A.

Kevin Morgan, Executive Director Mike Rogalsky, Field Services Director

2:00- 2:20 p.m. NACAA Update

Jerry Clemmons, NACAA AMPIC Annual Meeting Co-Chair (Via Skype)

2:20-2:30 p.m. FACAA Educational Foundation – Overview for new members. Ron Rice, Chair.

2:30-3:00 p.m. Break – If you have a table top exhibit please be available for questions!

3:00-3:15 p.m. District meetings

3:20-4:00 p.m. Committee meetings

4:00 p.m. Adjourn



#### **FACAA Mid-Year Business Meeting**

April 7, 2016 9:30 – 11:00 am (Eastern Time) Florida Farm Bureau Building Gainesville, FL



#### <u>Agenda</u>

- Call to Order Mark Shuffitt
- ➤ Invocation Larry Williams
- ➤ Roll Call (Officers & District Directors) Libbie Johnson
- ➤ Reading & Disposal of Minutes (1 Sept., 2015 Membership Meeting, EPAF/Naples) Bridget Stice
- > Treasurer's Report & FACAA Membership Update Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### **Old Business:**

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#### **New Business:**

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#### **Other Business:**

Next FACAA Board Meeting - (at EPAF Daytona ... Monday August 26, 2016)

Adjourn



#### **FACAA Mid-Year Business Meeting**

April 7, 2016 9:30 – 11:00 am (Eastern Time) Florida Farm Bureau Building Gainesville, FL



#### **Minutes**

- ➤ Call to Order Mark Shuffitt
- ➤ Invocation Larry Williams
- ➤ Roll Call (Officers & District Directors) Libbie Johnson
  - Members present: Mike Goodchild, Hannah Wooten, Jed Dillard, DJ Wiggins, Shawn Steed, Chris Oswalt, Eleanor Foerste, Jim Davis, Jonael Bosques, Nichelle Demorest, Patrick Troy, Keith Wynn, Dan Fenneman, David Holmes, Maxine Hunter, Terry DelValle, Terra Freeman, Joe Walter, Ed Jennings, Sharon Fox Gamble, Richard Tyson, Mace Baue, Martha Maddox, Stacey Strickland, Dennis Mudge, Jamie Cohen-Wallace, Karen Stauderman, Libbie Johnson, Julie McConnell, Matt Lollar, Ethan Carter, Mark Mauldin, Cindy Sanders, Jim DeValerio, Cami McAvoy, Denise DeBusk, Mark Shuffitt, Larry Williams, Ray Zerba, Alicia Lamborn, Jessica Sullivan, Bridget Stice, Windy Wilbur, Ron Rice, James McWhorter, Eugene McAvoy
- Reading & Disposal of Minutes (1 Sept., 2015 Membership Meeting, EPAF/Naples) Bridget Stice
  - o Motion to accept minute by Joe Walter and seconded by Ed Jennings. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report & FACAA Membership Update Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Reporting	Period:	1/1/16-4/	<u>1/16</u>
Treasurer:	Christin	ne Kelly-I	Begazo

Total Checking Account Balance 1/1/16	\$25,916.73
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**Income:** 

Membership dues (checks)	\$2,100.00
Membership dues (PayPal)	\$1,094.16

Total Income \$ 3,194.16

**Expenses:** 

Membership dues to NACAA \$2,110.00 JCEP Expenses for M. Shuffitt & W. Wilber \$1,956.03

Total Expenses \$ 4,066.03
Checking Total \$25,044.86

Total Savings Account Balance 1/1/16 \$12,652.94
Grand Total of Checking Plus Savings \$37,697.80

**Membership** 

148 members87 life members3 complimentary members

Total membership 238

#### **Old Business:**

- ➤ Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP 2016) Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber
- 10 11 Feb, 2016 (Las Vegas, Nevada)
- ➤ FACAA Educational Foundation Update Ron Rice

The 2016 FACAA Educational Foundation Committee (Ron Rice, Chair; Mark Shuffitt, co-Chair; Bridget Stice; Ashley Fluke; Laurie Hurner; and Doug Mayo) reviewed 13 FACAA Scholarship applications that were submitted prior to the April 1, 2016 deadline. All 13 applications for various professional development events were approved (total of \$6,500) and these winners were announced at the FACAA Mid-Year Board Meeting (April 6, 2016) and the FACAA Mid-Year Membership Meeting (April 7, 2016) that was held at the Florida Farm Bureau (Gainesville). The 13 awards were approved as follows:

	Name	Amount	<b>Professional Development Event</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1.	Libbie Johnson	\$500	2016 NACDEP, Burlington Vermont	Jun 26 - 29, 2016
2.	Cindy Sanders	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
3.	Dan Fenneman	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
4.	Dennis Mudge	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
5.	Ed Jennings	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
6.	Liz Felter	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
7.	Richard Tyson	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
8.	Terry DelValle	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
9.	Erin Harlow	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
10.	Terra Freeman	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
11.	Joe Walter	\$500	2016 NACAA AM/PIC, Little Rock, Arkansas	Jul 24 - 28, 2016
12.	Celeste White	\$500	2016 University of Florida International	
			Extension Workshop Exploring Food Systems	
			in Southern Italy	Oct 24 - Nov 3, 2016
13.	Martha Maddox	\$500	2016 University of Florida International	
			Extension Workshop Exploring Food Systems	
			in Southern Italy	Oct 24 - Nov 3, 2016

#### **New Business:**

- Sponsorship request for 2016 NACAA AM/PIC; Arkansas Ag Agents Mark Shuffitt
  - Based on past activity, we donated \$3000 to other southern region associations to host the national meeting. Motion to send \$3000 Little Rock made by Joe Walter, seconded by Gene McAvoy. Christine will be given the information to send it to Arkansas.
  - o If you haven't used your Galaxy money, this is the last occasion to use that money.
- ➤ FACAA Educational Foundation Update (Rules) Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt
  - o Must have \$100 donation submitted by Dec. 31 to be eligible.
  - o Gene McAvoy asked if people will still be retroactively funded. Based on the new rules, the scholarship will not be retroactively funded. Gene noted that he <u>does</u> support the new rules.
  - o Goodchild asked where we could find out who is currently paid up to receive the scholarship. They are working out clarifying who is eligible.
  - O How does one become eligible? Write a \$100 check, payable to UF Foundation, send to the FACAA treasurer (currently Christine Kelly Begazo.) She will send record the donation, then forward the check to Keith Gouin on the UF campus. Deadline is now December 31st to be eligible for scholarship.
  - O Doug Mayo reminded membership that anyone can receive up to \$5000 over the course of your Extension career for a \$100 donation. It's a good return on investment.
- Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD 2016) –
   Mark Shuffitt & Wendy Wilber 11-13 April, 2016 (Crystal City, Virginia)
  - FACAA and other associations are going to two days of training leadership, final day is at Capitol Hill to meet with legislators. Dr. Place and other administrators will be present as well.
- NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out Wendy Wilber 24-28 Jul, 2016 (Little Rock, Arkansas)

- o Brave New Restaurant is our location for State's Night Out.
  - Email of choices will be sent to those who register for the conference. All are welcomed to attend. To participate, you decide what menu items you would like, send the information and a check to cover the cost of the meal to our Treasurer (Christine Kelly Begazo) before the conference meal. It will take a cab ride or catch a ride.
- Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Conference (Country Store 2016) Wendy Wilber 28-30 Jun, 2016 (Hyatt Regency, Orlando, Florida)
  - Wendy invited and encouraged membership to provide donations for the County Store. Baskets and items can be donated and stored in Dr. Simonne or Wendy Wilbur's office. You can call Nikki up in the District Director's office to get them to bring a pass down if you want to deliver to campus. They will set up on the 28th of June.
  - Karen asked if there could be someone who has some clout to hold up her wine for a photo—that would be nice and help with marketing.
  - Wendy asked for help with set up and manning the booth. If you are available to volunteer, contact Wendy Wilbur.
- ➤ EPAF 2016 (including FACAA Tour Update) Mark Shuffitt
- 26 30 Sept., 2016 (Daytona Hilton)

EPAF registration will be open April 15th.

- O Sharon Fox Gamble gave an update on tours for EPAF. FACAA has an ag tour to go to Fern Trust (foliage/ferns), David Cleggs, Princess Place, and Fl Ag Museum
- o FANREP—Pasttime Princess (boat tour) to Marine Science Museum
- o 4-H Embry Riddle University and Tiger Bay State Forest
- o FCS- Angell and Phelps Chocolatier and Daytona Museum
- o Possibly a kayak tour—time might be an issue.
- o Shuffitt suggested Sharon contact Julie Dillard about these tours.
- o We need to get the tours finalized and set up as an IST.
- Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner Ron Rice
  - O Cindy Sanders has been instrumental in the past. Ron will talk to her about getting it set up at the Austin Cary Forestry Center. Looking at August 9<sup>th</sup>.
- ➤ Website Update (and FACAA List/Serve) Jennifer Bearden
  - o Need some updates on the form. Mark Shuffitt will work with Jennifer to get this accomplished.
- Plaques
  - Shawn Steed asked if we could issue checks rather than plaques for winner or to donate the money back to the scholarship.
    - Lollar supports the idea of winners having an option of not receiving a plaque.
    - Sharon asked if we got a price break for buying so many plaques—Ray Zerba said that we did not get a price adjustment.
    - Ron said it could be an issue to distribute checks, plaques, or certificates.
    - Denise suggested giving everyone a certificate for those that get plaques.
    - Farm Credit awardee needs to be provided a plaque.
    - Doug wants a plaque. He says a check is ephemeral. Martha and Joe Walter agree with Doug.
    - Karen Stauderman asked if we could switch it to something else to make it unique for each year.
    - Question of recycling plaques came up. They can be recycled but it is time consuming.
    - Christine said it doesn't matter about how many checks need to be written. It can be done.
      - She supports Shawn in giving a choice to people.
    - Mr. Zerba questioned about how would we divide the check when the award was given to a team.
    - Motion: Three choices for award: choice for a donation to the scholarship or plaque or money, not to exceed the value of the plaque, made by Shawn Steed, Chris Oswalt seconded, excluding team awards. 22 opposed the motion, 18 supported. Motion fails.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- Recognition and Awards
- Professional Excellence
- New Member Relations
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- Ag Economics
- Animal Science
- Horticulture
- Communications
- Extension Programs (Search for Excellence)
- 4-H & Youth
- Public Relations
- Scholarships
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Early Career Development
- Teaching and Educational Technology
- Administrative Liaison
- Other

Recognition and Awards: Pat Hogue from Okeechobee is the outgoing chair.

DSA winners: Stephen Futch, Carrie Stevenson, and Stacy Strickland

AA winners: Shawn Steed, Dan Fenneman, and Mary Beth Henry

**Professional Excellence Committee**, Chair is Nicole Pinson, report given by Gene McAvoy: Only state winners will be judged at AMPIC. Only one author must be an NACAA member, poster must be posted on time or asked to be removed and will not be entered into the abstract. Nationally, there was an increase on posters, 102 in Extension, 42 in research. FACAA has 12 posters—good showing. Gene asked submitters to check their applications because some are not entered correctly. Contact Gene if you have any questions. He named the people that have issues. National winner gets \$500, 2<sup>nd</sup> gets \$250, 3<sup>rd</sup> gets \$150.

- ➤ Doug asked if we could have the posters at EPAF.
- > Gene said we could do the judging at the mid-year meeting.
  - o Shuffitt wants the posters to be displayed here at the mid-year meeting.

New Members and Early Career Development Committee—had a meeting for new members to help them with applications and AMPIC attendees. Today is the deadline to submit nominations for Young Professional Award.

#### Extension Program Committee: Shawn Steed, Chair from Hillsborough County

Winners of the 2015 Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents Search for Excellence Awards are:

Search for Excellence in Sustainable Agriculture USDA SARE/NACAA Recognition Program (Two entries)

Carrie Stevenson (Stevenson, C. T., Johnson, L., O'Connor, L.R., Thaxton, Blake, Verlinde, Chris) Naturally EscaRosa--a multidisciplinary approach for agribusiness clientele

#### **Search for Excellence in Crop Production** (Two entries)

Keith Wynn (Wynn, K.\*, Dufault, N., Tillman, B) <u>Peanut Production Education in Hamilton County,</u> Florida

#### **Search for Excellence in Consumer or Commercial Horticulture** (Two entries)

Terry Delvalle (Delvalle, T.\*, Demorest, D.N., DeValerio, J.T., Dukes, M.D., Fuller, K.D., Harlow, E.E., Hunter, M., Israel, G.D., Jordi, R.L., Lamborn, A.R., Momol, E., Morie, A.E., Saft, C.S., Wilber, W.L. MEASURING IMPACTS OF FLORIDA-FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING PROGRAMS

#### **Search for Excellence in Livestock Production** (Two entries)

Dennis M. Mudge (Mudge, D.M., Fluke, A., Walter, J.H., Jennings, E., Bosques-Mendez, J.5, Shuffitt, M., Warren, M., Hersom, M., Brew, M., Gamble, S.F., Wilson, T.) <u>SPRING RANCHERS FORUM – ECONOMIC RETURN</u>

#### Search for Excellence in Young, Beginning, or Small Farmers/Ranchers (One entry)

Mace Bauer (Bauer, M., Gazula, A., Hochmuth, R., Fenneman, D., Zotarelli, L) <u>Improving Adoption of Irrigation and Nutrient Best Management Practices</u>: Drip Irrigation Schools

#### **Search for Excellence in Forestry and Natural Resources** (Three entries)

Davis, J.E., Brooke L. Moffis, Boughton, R.K., Daniels, J.C., Demers, C., Enloe, S.F., Hill, J.E., Johnson, S.A., Orlando, M., Pienaar, E.F., Westervelt, D., Clothier, A., Stout, R., Lester, W. <u>Wildlife and Invasive</u> Species Education

#### Horticulture: Matt Lollar, chair

I would like to extend my thanks to an excellent and dedicated communications committee. The committee judged 79 entries (15% increase from 2015) in the 14 categories.

Award	# Entries	State Winner	Regional Winner	National Finalist
Audio Recordings	4	Judy Biss	X	X
Published Photo & Caption	6	Juanita Popenoe		
Computer Generated Presentation	5	Theresa Badurek	X	X
Promotional Piece	11	Cindy Sanders	X	
Personal Column	12	Brooke L. Moffis	X	
Feature Story	12	Doug Mayo		
Newsletter Individual	1	Terra Freeman	X	

Newsletter Team	5	Terry Delvalle et al.*		
Video Presentation	4	Michelle Atkinson	X	
Fact Sheet	6	E. Vanessa Campoverde et al.**	X	
Publication	4	Ronald W. Rice et al.***		
Website	4	Doug Mayo et al.****		
Learning				
Module/Notebook	2	Libbie Johnson****		
Bound Book	3	Erin Harlow		

<sup>\*</sup> Lawrence T. Figart, Mary S. Puckett

\*\*\*\* Judy Biss, Evan Anderson, Peter Anderson, John Atkins, Jennifer Bearden, Ann Blount, Ray Bodrey, Ethan Carter, Jed Dillard, Nicolas DiLorenzo, Mike Donahoe, Jose Dubeux, Nicholas Dufault, Shep Eubanks, Jay Ferrell, Josh Freeman, Joe Funderburk, Mike Goodchild, Les Harrison, Matt Hersom, Molly Jameson, Libbie Johnson, Cliff Lamb, Ramon Leon, Matt Lollar, Cheryl Mackowiak, Mathew Paret, Mark Mauldin, Mike Mulvaney, Matt Orwat, Diane Rowland, Saundra TenBroeck, Blake Thaxton, Barry Tillman, Kalyn Waters

\*\*\*\*\* James Bonczek, Nick Comerford, Heather Enloe, Willie Harris, Charlene Kinch

**Public Relations**- Nothing to report

**Ag Economics**- Nothing to report

**Animal Science**- Jonael Bosques from Hardee county serves as the chair. Jonael sent a needs assessment survey in 2015 that helped to generate animal science IST ideas. He's going to redo the survey and send it out when it's done. Currently in the works is an IST on dealing with the media on animal welfare issues.

**Horticulture**- Jim Davis from Sumter Count serves as the chair. He is in the process of developing an online monthly webinars.

**4-H and Youth**- Celeste White from Orange County is the winner of this award.

Sustainable Ag- Christine Kelly Begazo serves as the chair. No applicants from Florida last year.

**Teaching and Educational Technologies**-nothing to report. Matt Lollar is now the Southern Region chair for this committee.

Admin Liaison-Juanita Popenoe invited IFAS administration to the mid-year meeting.

**Honorory Life Member**: Karen received some nominations. She received some names but doesn't know the protocol. Some research needs to be done.

**Agronomy**: At the national level, priority was placed on oral presentations in irrigation and Nutrient management for AMPIC. A number of FACAA members submitted abstracts for oral presentations in

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the Agronomy track. 18 abstracts were received, nation chair has not selected the abstracts to be included.

**FSHS**- Chris Oswalt invited all to their meeting at Hutchinson Island. IST training will be provided to help offset the cost of attendance. Need to register by April 15 or else you are late. There will be a poster session next year, so that can be another option.

#### **Other Business:**

Next FACAA Board Meeting - (at EPAF Daytona ... Monday August 26, 2016)

Adjourn



# Section IIIa National Committee Reports

#### Committees Linked to the NACAA Professional Improvement Council

http://www.nacaa.com/committees/pic.php

#### **Agricultural Economics & Community Development**

James McWhorter, CHAIR Highlands jcm0033@ufl.edu

The committee has an In-Service Training planned for early 2017.

#### **Agronomy & Pest Management**

Mace Bauer, CHAIR Columbia <a href="mgbauer@ufl.edu">mgbauer@ufl.edu</a>

Agronomy and Pest Management Chair is updating the Committee Page in the Committee Handbook. A draft is available for review by members.

There was a very strong showing by committee members at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents AM/PIC. Congratulations to all participating Committee Members

#### **Program Recognition Awards**

Keith Wynn et al., Search for Excellence in Crop Production

Mark Warren et al., Search for Excellence in Livestock Production

Mace Bauer et al., Search for Excellence in Young, Beginning, or Small Farmers/Ranchers

#### **Presentations**

Mace Bauer, Drip Irrigation

James Davis, Wildlife & Invasive Species Education

Mace Bauer, Improving Adoption of Irrigation and Nutrient Best management Practices: Drip Irrigation Schools/Nutrient and Water Management

Mark Mauldin, Principles of pasture Productivity in the Classroom and on the Farm

Keith Wynn, Hamilton County Extension Offers Peanut Production Education in the Suwannee River Valley of North Florida

Matt Orwat and Mark Mauldin, A Multidisciplinary Invasive Species Workshop

#### **Posters**

Dr. Bonnie Wells, Development of Optimal Nitrogen Applications for Selected Asian Vegetables Keith Wynn, Enhancing the Profitability of North Florida Peanut Producers in the Suwannee River Valley Mace Bauer, Exploring Changes in Rainfall Intensity and Seasonal Variability Frank Dowdle, Promoting Agriculture Awareness in Palm Beach County, Florida

#### **Animal Science**

Jonael Bosques, CHAIR Hardee jonael@ufl.edu

The FACAA Animal Science Committee, with the collaboration of other extension agents, developed, distributed and evaluated a survey during the year 2014-2015 revealing specific educational needs of UF/IFAS Extension Livestock and Small Farms Agents. The survey results were shared with UF/IFAS administrators and specialists. As a result, several in-service trainings have been developed during the year 2015 and 2016. These are:

- Small Ruminant IST February 2015
- Soil Science IST March 2016
- Livestock Disease IST February 2016

Other ISTs are in the works for the coming fall 2015-2016 and next year 2016-2017 in the areas of science communication and dealing with the media regarding animal science and welfare, and genetic and genomic tools for livestock enterprises.

The committee is also working on a follow-up survey to continue meeting the educational needs of our peers, producers and citizens.

#### **Horticulture & Turfgrass**

Jim Davis, CHAIR Sumter dvisshdn@ufl.edu

The committee will be providing webinars featuring specialists. We have several new specialists on board and this will be a great opportunity for committee members to become familiar or reacquaint themselves with the state specialists.

We also sent out reminders to the committee members of the NACAA horticulture tour.

#### Natural Resources/Aquaculture

Sheila Dunning, CHAIR Okaloosa sdunning@ufl.edu

The committee is responsible for soliciting applications for the Search for Excellence in Natural Resource Programming Award and encouraging development of professional improvement opportunities at the NACAA AM/PIC.

One Search for Excellence application was received.

Since the NACAA Natural Resources Committee efforts to offer a Natural Resources pre-tour for the NACAA AM/PIC in Mobile in 2014, there has been inconsistency in these opportunities. The North Dakota 2015 AM/PIC did not offer the option, whereas the Arkansas 2016 AM/PIC is offering a Natural Resources pre-tour. Additionally, no Natural Resource tours were available in 2015, but there are two offered in 2016.

The committee will continue to pursue opportunities for Natural Resource professional improvement opportunities at future NACAA AM/PIC meetings and raise the awareness of the Search for Excellence in Natural Resource Programming Award.

#### **Sustainable Agriculture**

Christine Kelly-Begazo, CHAIR Indian River ckellybe@ufl.edu

Members:

Alejandro Bolques, FAMU
Mary Beth Henry, Polk County
Molly Jameson, Leon County
William Lester, Hernando County
Qingren Wang, Miami-Dade County
Evan Anderson, Walton County
Patrick Troy, Suwannee Valley Agricultural Extension Center
Jessica Sullivan, Osceola County

The main duty of the Sustainable Agriculture committee is to solicit and recommend nominations for the NACAA SARE Fellows program. One application was submitted and forwarded to the southern regional committee. Since there was only one applicant (up to 3 can be forwarded) it was sent up to regional SARE. Unfortunately, it was not selected for national consideration.

In 2013, the committee chair developed a relationship between this committee with FL SARE. Served on their advisory committee for 1 term (2013-2016).

#### Committees Linked to the NACAA Extension Development Council

http://www.nacaa.com/committees/edc.php

#### **Administrative Skills**

Laurie Hurner, CHAIR Highlands <u>lhurner@ufl.edu</u>

This committee has nothing to report for 2015-2016.

#### **Agricultural Issues & Public Relations**

Stacy Strickland, CHAIR Hernando jsstrick@ufl.edu

This committee has nothing to report for 2015-2016.

#### **Early Career Development**

Libbie Johnson, CHAIR Escambia libbiej@ufl.edu

Early Career Development and New Member Relations: These two committees worked together to hold a FACAA meeting for new members on February 22, 2015. Topics that were covered: Applying for awards, presentations, and posters, writing quality abstracts, preparing for AMPIC in Little Rock, and information from our NACAA Southern Region Director. Fourteen people participated.

#### **Teaching & Educational Technologies**

Vanessa Campoverde, CHAIR Seminole evcampoverde@ufl.edu

The T&ET committee was very active this year compared to previous terms. Members of the committee shared their ideas to bring an educational approach to our FACAA association. Vanessa Campoverde reached out to the UF/IFAS Communications Team and after some exchange of emailing regarding ideas among our committee and their team, we agreed on the event described below, targeted to FACAA and UF/IFAS Extension faculty and staff.

Skype for Business tutorial was scheduled for August 31st of 2016.

#### **Committees Linked to the NACAA Program Recognition Council**

http://www.nacaa.com/committees/prc.php

#### 4-H and Youth

Michelle Atkinson, CHAIR Manatee michelleatkinson@ufl.edu

The 4-H and Youth Committee received seven applications for the Excellence in 4-H Programming award. The winner, Celeste White of Orange County went on to win District and Nationally.

#### **Communications**

Matt Lollar, CHAIRJacksonmlollar@ufl.eduBlake Thaxton, CO-CHAIRSanta Rosabthaxton@ufl.edu

I would like to extend my thanks to an excellent and dedicated communications committee. The committee judged 79 entries (18% increase from 2015) in the 14 categories. This year we had 7 regional winners, 3 national finalists, and 2 national winners.

Award	#	State Winner	Regional	National	National
	<b>Entries</b>		Winner	Finalist	Winner
Audio Recordings	4	Judy Biss	X	X	X
Published Photo &					
Caption	6	Juanita Popenoe			
Computer Generated			X	X	X
Presentation	5	Theresa Badurek			
Promotional Piece	11	Cindy Sanders	X	X	
Personal Column	12	Brooke L. Moffis	X		
Feature Story	12	Doug Mayo			
Newsletter			X		
Individual	1	Terra Freeman			
Newsletter Team	5	Terry Delvalle et al.*			
Video Presentation	4	Michelle Atkinson	X		
Fact Sheet		E. Vanessa Campoverde et	X		
	6	al.**			
Publication	4	Ronald W. Rice et al.***			
Website	4	Doug Mayo et al.****			
Learning		-			
Module/Notebook	2	Libbie Johnson****			
Bound Book	3	Erin Harlow			

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#### **Professional Excellence**

Nicole Pinson, Co-CHAIR

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#### **Committee Members**

Michelle Atkinson Martha Glenn Ralph Mitchell Carolyn Saft

#### **Professional Excellence Committee Poster Selection**

The Professional Excellence Committee encourages members to showcase their work by submitting an abstract for the poster session that is held at the Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC).

This poster session has two categories: Applied Research and Extension Education. Members can submit an abstract in the category that best matches their Extension work. Applied Research gives individuals an opportunity to present a poster on research they conducted. Extension Education gives members an opportunity to present a poster on new or different educational methods or technologies used in an Extension program.

Posters may be submitted for either judging or for display. If submitted for judging, the member provides a link to the completed poster so the Committee can review and score the poster according the NACAA scorecard. The scorecard is also available online at <a href="http://www.nacaa.com/posters/scorecard.pdf">http://www.nacaa.com/posters/scorecard.pdf</a>.

Posters selected as state winners then move on for judging at the national meeting. Only **the state winner** for each category (Applied Research and Extension Education) is judged at the Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC). This year, we had two entries in Applied Research and eleven entries in Extension Education.

#### **State Winners**

The following posters were judged to be state winners by the Committee, and will be displayed and judged at the AM/PIC.

#### **Applied Research**

#### Thaxton, B., Byars, A., and Smith, M.

High Tunnel Cultivar Trial of Tomato in an Organic System for Early Spring Production **Extension Education** 

#### Sullivan, J.

Expanding Beekeeping as a Profitable Agricultural Enterprise through Extension Education

#### **Posters Submitted for Display**

The following posters were submitted for display at the AM/PIC.

#### **Applied Research**

Wells, B.C.

Development of Optimal Nitrogen Applications for Selected Asian Vegetables

#### **Extension Education**

#### Bauer, M., Dourte, D., Fraisse, C., and Bartels, W.

Exploring Changes in Rainfall Intensity and Seasonal Variability

#### Davis, J.E., Lester, W., Moffis, B., and Singleton, L.

Green Industries Best Management Practices Certification for Master Gardeners

#### Dowdle, F.

Promoting Agriculture Awareness in Palm Beach County, Florida

#### Henry, M.E.

**Building Partnerships and Beekeepers** 

#### Lollar, M., Arick, M., Franz, C., Waxgiser, S., and Guvganus, M.

Improving the Health and Well-Being of Farms and Families in Jackson County through Partnerships

#### Maddox, M.B. and Strickland, J.S.

Demonstrating Economic Impact by Implementing SNAP/EBT at Your Farmers Market

#### Sanders, C., Gazula, A., and Clark, M.

2015 UF/IFAS Extension Alachua County Water Quality Tours

## Stice, B., Easterly, R., Hersom, M., Jennings, E., Myers, B., Shuffit, J.M., Weir, J., and Wickens, C. Livestock Education and Certification for Agricultural Law Enforcement

(LECALE)

#### Strickland, J.S., Maddox, M.B., McAvoy, C.E., and Jennings, E.

Utilization of Community Resources for an Agricultural Event

#### Wynn, K., Dufault, N., and Tillman, B.

Enhancing the Profitability of North Florida Peanut Producers in the Suwannee River Valley

Congratulations to the state winners and to all faculty who submitted posters demonstrating excellent work.

#### **Public Relations**

David Nistler, CHAIR Union dnistler@ufl.edu

The Public Relations Committee is responsible for evaluating and awarding the Agricultural Awareness and Appreciation Award, Tim Wilson and I serve as the committee, we had two submissions this year, one from Frank Dowdle and team from Palm Beach Co. and one from Molly Jameson from Leon Co.; we awarded F. Dowdle and team for the award.

#### **Recognition & Awards**

Pat Hogue, CHAIR Okeechobee <u>pjh4749@gmail.com</u>

The FACAA Recognition and Awards Committee received nominations of six members for AA awards this year, and nominations of four members for DSA. All nominees were outstanding candidates, and this year the Committee selected the following members for Achievement and Distinguished Service Awards,

and forwarded their names for recognition at this year's NACAA AM/PIC held as part of the Galaxy IV Conference in Pittsburg, PA:

AA Winners - Daniel Fenneman, Madison County
Mary Beth Henry, Hillsborough County
Shawn Steed, Hillsborough & Pinellas Counties

DSA Winners – Stephen Futch, Multi- County
Carrie Stevenson, Escambia County
Stacy Strickland, Hernando & Sumter Counties

The FACAA Recognition and Awards Committee received two excellent nominations for the 2016 Specialist of the Year Award, and four excellent nominations for Outstanding Agriculturalist Awards, and as per FACAA policy two Specialist of the Year, and four Outstanding Agriculturalist awards may be given, and the following were selected to receive these awards for 2013.

2016 Specialist's of the Year - Dr. Bryan Unruh, Turf Extension Specialist, West Florida Research and Education Center in Jay

Dr. Norm Leppla, Professor, Extension IPM Specialist

**2016 Outstanding Agriculturalists -** Mr. Wilton Simpson, Pasco County – nominated by Ed Jennings

Mr. Steve Brown, Orange County – nominated by Liz Felter and Bob Hochmuth

Mr. Dalton Dowdy, Duval County – nominated by Mike Sweat

Mr. Bill Hester, Volusia County – nominated by Karen Stauderman

Submitted by: Pat Hogue, Recognition and Awards Committee Chair on behalf of the entire 2016 Recognition and Awards Committee: Bridget Stice, Terry DelValle, Bob Hochmuth, Christa Kirby, Martha Maddox, Gene McAvoy, Mark Shuffitt, David Holmes, and Bill Schall.

#### **Scholarship**

Sheila Dunning, CHAIR Okaloosa <u>sdunning@ufl.edu</u>

Beyond the FACAA Educational Foundation, members may receive financial support for professional improvement from the National organization. This FACAA committee is tasked with encouraging contributions to the NACAA Scholarship Fund, identifying eligible members, soliciting and certifying eligible applicants, and forwarding them to NACAA for final review and approval. Further information about the program may be obtained from the NACAA website: http://www.nacaa.com/scholarship. The site lists Eligibility criteria and the NACAA Scholarship Application.

Those members in good standing of the FACAA that have contributed at least \$40 to the NACAA Scholarship Fund prior to the last NACAA Annual Meeting (July 2014) were eligible to apply for up to \$1,000 per year, with a total of \$2,000 allowed during a member's Extension career. At last report, the total contributions of 45 active members (an increase of 2) to NACAA were \$3,723.00. Ten members had been awarded \$10,320.00 according to the 2014-2015 FACAA Annual Report.

As of May 2016, eight of the total 45 members have not met the minimum contribution level of \$40. In 2013 the level of contribution required to be considered for the full \$2,000 in funds was raised to \$100; 13 of the 45 contributors (a 1% increase) are currently "fully vested" contributors to NACAA that will be eligible to apply for the second thousand dollars.

FACAA members were notified by e-mail on May 15, 2016 that they could apply for this professional improvement support. The deadline to submit applications through the NACAA website was June 1, 2016.

Five FACAA members submitted an application for this Professional Improvement opportunity in FY 2016-17.

NACAA Scholarship Southern Vice Chairman Brian Haller (Arkansas) was forwarded four approved applications. One application was returned to the submitter as ineligible since the application was for attendance at the NACAA AM/PIC. The total requested award value is \$4,450. Recommendations:

Since Florida's awarded dollars far exceed the required contribution, members should recognize the value. Efforts to encourage active member contributions have resulted in more individuals being eligible. However, continued reminders of the opportunity should be utilized to encourage application. Since new FACAA members may not be aware of this membership benefit, efforts to raise the awareness of new members about the scholarship program are needed to improve participation. Publishing the reports from previous scholarship winners on website and in the newsletter may be a way to increase awareness. The 2015 AMPIC Newsletter did not include scholarship winners. The committee should continue to provide information to the FACAA webpage and update the Committee Handbook regarding both the FACAA and NACAA professional improvement scholarships, clearly identifying the necessary contributions and conditions for eligibility, application guidelines and deadlines. The FY 2011-2012 recommendation to have the chair of the FACAA Educational Foundation Committee be a member of the FACAA Scholarship committee was implemented in FY 2012-2013 as an effort to improve communications to the membership about these two different scholarship programs.

#### Search for Excellence

Shawn Steed, CHAIR Hillsborough ststeed@ufl.edu

The 2015-16 FACAA Extension Programs Committee evaluated twelve entries in the Search for Excellence division this year.

Winners of the 2016 Florida Association of County Agriculture Agents Search for Excellence Awards are:

Search for Excellence in Sustainable Agriculture USDA SARE/NACAA Recognition Program (three entries)

#### Naturally EscaRosa--a multidisciplinary approach for agribusiness clientele

Carrie Stevenson, Libby Johnson, Rick O'Connor, Blake Thaxton, and Chris Verlinde Not only state, but also National Winner!

Search for Excellence in Crop Production (two entries)

#### Peanut Production Education in Hamilton County, Florida

Keith Wynn, Nicholas Dufault, and Barry Tillman

Won state and was a National Winner!

Search for Excellence in Landscape Horticulture (two entries)

#### MEASURING IMPACTS OF FLORIDA-FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING PROGRAMS

Terry Delvalle, Nichelle Demorest, Jim DeValerio, Michael Dukes, Keith Fuller, Erin Harlow, Maxine Hunter, Glenn Israel, Rebecca Jordi, Alicia Lamborn, Esen Momol, Amy Morie, Carolyn Saft, and Wendy Wilber.

Won State and was a National Finalist!

#### Search for Excellence in Livestock Production (two entries)

#### SPRING RANCHERS FORUM ECONOMIC RETURN

Dennis Mudge, Ashley Fluke, Joe Walter, Ed Jennings, Jonael Bosques-Mendez, Mark Shuffitt, Mark Warren, Matt Hersom, Megan Brew, Sharon Gamble, and Tim Wilson.

Won State and was a National Finalist!

#### Search for Excellence in Young, Beginning, or Small Farmers/Ranchers (one entry)

Improving Adoption of Irrigation and Nutrient Best Management Practices: Drip Irrigation Schools Mace Bauer, Aparna Gazula, Bob Hochmuth, Dan Fenneman, and Lincoln Zotarelli Won state and was a National Winner!

#### Search for Excellence in Forestry and Natural Resources (two entries)

#### Wildlife and Invasive Species Education

Jim Davis, Brooke Moffis, Raoul Boughton, J. C. Daniels, Chris Demers, Stephen Enloe, Jeff Hill, Steven Johnson, M. Orlando, E.F. Pienaar, D. Westervelt, A. Clothier, R. Stout, William Lester. Won state and was a National Winner!

#### Respectfully submitted with assistance of the Extension Programs Committee Members:

Libbie Johnson (Co-Chair), David Austin, Vanessa Campoverde, Frank Dowdle, Martha Glenn, James McWhorter, Ralph Mitchell, Cami McAvoy, Matt Orwat, and Keith Wynn

#### Committees Linked to the NACAA "Other Committees"

http://www.nacaa.com/members/showcommittees.php?council=3

### **Life Members (FACAA)**

Karen Stauderman, CHAIR Volusia kstauderman@ufl.edu

A survey went out to all FACAA members for consideration for Life Membership to the organization. Six members were submitted for consideration to be submitted to the board of directors. The decision by the executive council was to postpone the considerations as it was unclear of they could voluntarily submit their names for the price of a lifetime membership or if they were granted the membership *en gratis*.



# Section IIIb State Committee Reports

#### **State-Level FACAA Committees**

#### **Administration Liaison**

Ed Skvarch, CHAIR St. Lucie <u>eask@ufl.edu</u>

The committee coordinated a question and answer session with the Deans at the FACAA mid-year meeting.

#### **Audit**

Joe Walter, CHAIR Brevard jwalter@ufl.edu

Jennifer Walter, Member Richard Tyson, Member

The financial records of the Association were reviewed by the audit committee through June 30, 2016. The Ouickens files were audited and updated to reflect the information in the paper records of the transactions of the Association and the audited Quickens files ending June 30, 2015. The Association appears to be in a sound financial situation and accounts reconcile as of 6/30/2016; checking account balance of \$22,644.31 savings account balance of \$12,656.10 for total assets of \$35,300.41. Last year's audit revealed overpayments to NACAA of \$150.00 (NACAA owes FACAA \$150) for duplicated payment of dues the audit committee could find no record that these overpayments had been rectified. The current audit identified the following errors; 1) NACAA dues were paid twice for Anita Neal (12/16/15 check #773 that NACAA had not posted, 2/19/16 check #777); 2) NACCA dues were paid twice for Henry Bignell (12/8/15 check #771 under ID # 18984, again on 5/13/16 check #784 under ID #19800); 3) NACAA dues were paid twice for James McWhorter (2/19/16 check #777 under ID #18987, again on 5/13/16 check #784 under ID #18977). These over payments to NACAA result in NACAA owning FACAA a total of #300 over the last two years. Check #775 was written to Matt Lallar for the 2015 Young Professional Award but recorded as being written to Shawn Steed (the 2014 recipient). Check #777 recorded using the split detail from a previous check (due to the auto fill function that has not been turned off in Quickens); the audit committee corrected the entry using documentation found in association records. Check #785 was recorded as being to Alabama but written to Arkansas as sponsorship for 2016 AM/PIC (due to the auto fill function that has not been turned off in Quickens). Check #787 for States Night Out Dinner was also record for Alabama's event when written for Arkansas' event (due to the auto fill function that has not been turned off in Quickens). The deposit dated 10/29/15 for \$627.50 had no split detail to identify the income categories and the corresponding amounts; the audit committee found registration papers for 6 members paying by check that had not previously been recorded that we assumed to be related to this deposit. The remaining \$27.50 was assumed to be for payment for States Night Out. The hard copy of the Association records for this deposit is a copy of the bank's deposit receipt without any further documentation. Paypal deposit on 2/13/16 for \$1094.16 had no split detail to identify the income categories and the corresponding amounts; the audit committee found registration papers for 7 members paying by Paypal that had not previously been recorded that we assumed to be related to this deposit, leaving \$394.16 unaccounted for (possibly 4 other memberships but short by \$5.84). The hard copy of the Association records for this deposit is a copy of the Paypal transfer receipt without any further documentation. Check #777 paid to NACAA for membership dues on 2/19/16 for 6 members that the audit committee could find no record of their current registration or payment of their dues (Alejandro Bolques, Donald Rainey, Mark Warren, Wendy Wilber, Tim Wilson, and Saqib Mukhtar).

Treasurer's report indicates income of \$400 for FACAA Educational Fund donations but money does not go to FACAA bank account; therefore, these moneys should be reported as a separate report.

The handbook still states that the audit is to be conducted in August, for the period of Aug. 1 through July 30 with their report to be submitted in July or Aug. This not being possible the Association voted at its annual meeting in 2014 to change the audit period to July1 through June 30 annually; giving the audit committee the ability to comply with the handbook and get their report submitted for entry in the Annual Report to Membership which has become earlier in recent years. This year's audit was completed for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 which was approved at the 2015 annual meeting.

The committee handbook also needs to omit the reference to FAEP and replace it with reference to EPAF. The audit committee would also suggest that a reference tutorial guide/protocol for the use of the accounting software be developed that will make accounting practices congruent as treasurer transitions occur as well as insure that generally accepted accounting practices are followed. The audit committee further recommends that the accounting software be reconciled with the bank statements for both the saving and checking accounts on a monthly basis and that those reconciliation reports be included in the hard copy documentation along with the bank statement for that month.

It is further recommended that the Association transition from Quickens to Multiuser QuickBooks Pro. This would give the audit committee the ability to periodically audit the software file on line for consistency in recording transactions in accordance with general accepted accounting principles (GAAP), give the treasurer on line assistance during the budget year, and allow for a more timely audit at years end.

Submitted by: Joe Walter, Chair Audit Committee 2015-2016

#### **Budget & Finance**

Christine Kelly-Begazo, CHAIR Indian River <a href="mailto:ckellybe@ufl.edu">ckellybe@ufl.edu</a>

Reporting Period: 7/1/15 – 6/30/16 Treasurer: Christine Kelly-Begazo

<b>Total Checking Account Balance – 7/1/15</b>	\$21,416.47
<b>Total Saving Account Balance – 7/1/15</b>	\$12,649.74

#### Income

FACAA Membership Dues	\$13,194.16
States Night Out	\$519.30
Unknown (Dues & SNO)	\$627.50
Sunbelt Agricultural Expo Sponsorship	\$750.00
EPAF Auction Proceeds (2015)	\$1,441.60
JCEP Participation Incentive	\$450.00

#### **Total Income** \$16,982.56

#### **Expenses**

Audit Adjustment	\$6.02
NACAA Membership Dues	\$8,260.00
2015 States' Night Out-NACAA (Minerva's)	\$1,021.19
Award certificates, plaques & stamps	\$1,924.00
Young Professional Award (Shawn Steed-2016)	\$400.00
Outstanding Young Student Award (Pei-wen Huang)	\$500.00
EPAF Registration & Room Comp.	\$510.00
Supplies at EPAF	\$36.03
Spouse Travel Reimbursement 2015 NACAA/ AA Stipend (England)	\$200.00
Flowers (Elmo Collum) & Appreciation Vase (Elena Toro)	\$185.90
Florida Department of State (Annual Filing Fee)	\$70.00

JCEP & PILD Expenses\$1,956.03Mid-Year Meeting Expenses (Lunch-FFB, snacks-Elena Toro)\$685.55Agriculture Development Council (Silver level support for Alabama)\$3000.00\*2016 States' Night Out-NACAA (Cajun's Wharf+deposit)\$200.00

Total Expenses \$18,954.72

Total Checking Account Balance – 6/30/16 \$22,644.31

Savings Account Balance – 6/30/16 \$12,656.10

Interest Income \$6.36

FACAA Scholarship Foundation \$400.00

#### **Constitution & By-Laws**

Dan Fenneman, CHAIR Madison <u>dfenneman@ufl.edu</u>

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee has no activity to report for the 2015-2016 year.

#### **County Commission Liaison**

Wendy Wilber, CHAIR Alachua wilbewl@ufl.edu

The 2016 Florida Association of Counties annual meeting was held at the Hyatt Regency in Orlando last week.

This meeting is attended by Florida County Commissioners, Florida County Administrators, and County staff from across the state. Your commissioner or county Manager was there.

The FACAA and the other Florida extension agents associations and Extension administration partner to hold an exhibit at the meeting's tradeshow

where we showcase UF/IFAS Extension efforts and thank county commissioners and managers for their support of local extension.

We have loaded giveaway bags (Ag Swag Bags) to give to every commissioner or administrator to thank them for their partnerships with IFAS extension.

Our booth is the always the most exciting booth of the tradeshow and this year was no exception.

This year the booth was set up by Eric Simonne, David Austin, Mark Shuffitt, Ed Jennings Jonael Boques, Lynn Barber, Susan Haddock, Liz Felter and MaryBeth Henry. These folks stuffed the swag bags and got the booth looking beautiful.

David Austin delivered in the Palm Beach sugar and the rice for the bags (it was 600 pounds of sugar and 400 pounds of rice) and that was just the first 1000 pounds of stuff that he delivered. Thanks Matt for the donation and David for the heavy lifting!

David also brought in 200+ bags of caladiums for the bags. This year we had coolers of Florida natural OJ to give out too thanks Mark! Eric Simonne provided much appreciated expertise in booth arrangement!

The booth was expertly staffed by Lynn Barber, Susan Haddock, David Austin, President Mark Shuffitt, Jessica Sullivan, Jonael Bosques, Ed Thralls, Nichelle Demorest, Lynda Spence, Heidi Copeland, Whitney Elmore, Ralph Mitchell, Ed Skvarch, Kelly Greer, Hannah Wooten, Deanna Thompson, and Eric Simonne.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARDWORK AND THE DONATION OF YOUR TIME

Donations (26)were made for the Raffles from

<sup>\*</sup>Outstanding checks as of 6/30/16

Mary Sue Kennington for FCS and Orange County

Cami Esmel McAvoy Sumter County

Lynn Barber and Susan Haddock and FANREP and Hillsborough County

Kelly Greer Orange County

Cindy Sanders/Alachua County

Ed Skvarch St. Lucie County

**Bridget Stice Polk County** 

Mark Shuffitt Marion County

Jona Bosques Hardee County

Mary Beth Henry Polk County

Whitney Elmore Pasco County

Christine Kelly Begazo Indian River County

Mark Warren Putnam County

Libbie Johnson Escambia County

Ron Rice Palm Beach County

Lindsey Wiggins Hendry County

And more!!

Donations for the bags were made from

Gene McAvoy Gator Hot sauce and Everglades seasoning

Mark Shuffitt IFAS water bottles and Orange juice

Matt Van Weelden 1/2 ton rice and sugar

David Austin caladium bulbs

Doug Mayo fresh peanuts

Lynn Barber and Susan Haddock rain gauges

Bob Hochmuth honey bears

Ron Rice mugs

Liz Felter pentas and house plants

Wendy Wilber plants

IFAS Administration

THANK YOU ALL GETTING THESE DONATIONS THEY WERE DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY THE COMMISSIONERS.

A Special Thanks to Dean Place and Associate Dean Mukhtar for their continued support of this booth so we can keep local UF IFAS extension efforts in the forefront of County Administration's supportive agendas.

And thanks to Keith Gouin for handling the behind the scenes efforts to make the IFAS exhibit/ Country store a success.

This was truly a team effort and I really thank you for making it a big success again in 2016. Thank you from Dr. Place

Hi Wendy and team

First, all I've got to say is WOW! You all continue to impress me with the tremendous booth that you all made happen at the FAC conference. I can't tell you how many positive comments I received from across the state from County Commissioner and County Administrators. Everyone was thoroughly impressed with the displays, handouts, and gifts – as well as (and most importantly) your professionalism and service-mindset as you all interacted with the hundreds of FAC participants.

I greatly appreciate everyone's time, effort, work and leadership to make this such a tremendous success! You all did great to truly represent UF/IFAS Extension in the best way possible! Thanks much to you all! Nick

#### **Educational Foundation**

Ron Rice, CHAIR Palm Beach rwr@ufl.edu

Many thanks to FACAA Educational Foundation Committee members Ashley Fluke, Doug Mayo, Bridget Stice, and Laurie Hurner!

At the direction of the FACAA Board, the Chair edited the FACAA web pages relevant to the Scholarship program in order to correct some inconsistencies and to streamline the application process so that contributions to the FACAA scholarship fund are now sent directly to the FACAA Treasurer. This allows the FACAA Treasurer to accurately match/record specific monetary donations (from any source/donor) with the intended extension agent. Having donations go straight to our FACAA Treasurer should avoid some confusions that occurred in the past when a different routing system was used.

Since many other FACAA Award applications have a March 15 deadline, the application deadline for scholarship applications was changed from March 15 to April 1, which still gives the committee plenty of time to review and finalize the scholarship awards for reporting at the FACAA Mid-year Meeting.

The FACAA Educational Foundation Scholarship Program was announced to our membership via the listserve FACAA\_L@lists.IFAS.UFL.EDU three times (Feb 29, Mar 16, and Mar 30, 2016).

Applications were accepted through midnight April 1, 2016. Twelve individual applications (no group applications) were received, reviewed by the committee, and approved for a total commitment of \$6,000.

#### FACAA Scholarships (Individual Applications)

Libbie Johnson	National Association of Community Development Professionals & Association of			
	Natural Resource Ex	xtension Profession	als Joint Meeting.	Burlington, VT. 26-29 Jun,
	2016. (\$500).		-	-
Cindy Sanders	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Dan Fenneman	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Dennis Mudge	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Ed Jennings	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Erin Harlow	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Liz Felter	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Richard Tyson	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Terry Delvalle	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Joe Walter	NACAA AM/PIC.	Little Rock, AR.	24-28 Jul, 2016.	(\$500).
Celeste White	International Extens	ion Workshop: Exp	oloring Food System	ms in Southern Italy. 24 Oct
	- 3 Nov, 2016. (\$50	00).		
Martha Maddox	International Extens	ion Workshop: Exp	oloring Food System	ms in Southern Italy. 24 Oct
	- 3 Nov, 2016. (\$50	00).		

#### FACAA Scholarships (Group Applications)

None.

#### FACAA Outstanding Extension Student Scholarship

On Feb 26, 2016, the Chair emailed Dr. Amy Harder (Associate Professor, UF/IFAS Agricultural Education & Communication Department) and asked her to dialogue with her faculty regarding this student award. Their decision was made by Mar 18. Priscilla Zelaya was nominated by the AEC faculty as this year's recipient of the FACAA Outstanding Extension Student Scholarship. Priscilla is a second-year doctoral student whose assistantship is in support of PDEC, thus she works closely with Dr Amy Harder. The convenient scenario was for Priscilla to accept her award at our FACAA Mid-Year meeting that occurred on Apr 6-7 in Gainesville at the Florida Farm Bureau headquarters. However, Priscilla along with many AEC faculty, were out-of-state at the AIAEE Conference. Thus, the current plan is that

Priscilla will receive her \$500 award at the FACAA annual membership meeting (Tuesday Sep 27) at EPAF 2016 Daytona Beach.

#### FACAA Education Foundation Breakfast

A \$750 donation was secured from the Sun Belt Expo for the FACAA Education Foundation. As always, a very big note of appreciation and gratitude goes out to Chip Blaylock, who once again made this happen for us. Chip will be our guest speaker at our FACAA Education Foundation Breakfast at EPAF 2016 (Wednesday Sep 28).

It's best to contact Chip in January to nail down the Wednesday FACAA Education Foundation Breakfast event at EPAF since his schedule fills up fast. Our committee organizes a 1-day (Wednesday) EPAF registration for Chip and a 1-night (Tuesday) reservation at the EPAF hotel. Martha Maddox took care of the hotel logistics. When making EPAF registration arrangements for Chip, consider the possibility of a Tuesday night DSA banquet ticket if Chip is arriving early enough.

FACAA Membership		
Martha Glenn, CHAIR	Manatee <u>mglenn7@ufl.edu</u>	<u>1</u>
Membership 2015-2016		
Active Members – 167		
Life Members - 87		
Albrecht, Laurie	Burkey, Fred	Dunning, Sheila
Allen, Katherine	C	Dusky, Joan
Anderson, Evan	Caldwell, Doug	Duteau, Darlinda
Asuaje, Cesar	Campoverde, Elizabeth	E
Atkins, John Doyle	Vanessa	Elmore, Whitney
Atkinson, Michelle	Carter, Ethan	England, Gary
Austin, David	Cohen, Jamie	Eubanks, Shep
В	Cole, Darren	F
Bactawar, Basil	Crane, Jonathan	Fedunak, Charles
Badurek, Theresa	Crawford, Sonja	Felter, Liz
Barber, Derek	Culbert, Daniel	Fenneman, Dan
Barber, Lynn	D	Figart, Larry
Baucum, Leslie	Davis, Courtney	Fletcher, Jim
Bauer, Mace	Davis, Jim	Floyd, Maxine
Bearden, Jennifer	Davis, Michael	Fluke, Ashley
Beckford, Roy	Davis, Steve	Foerste, Eleanor
Bielema, Vanessa	Debusk, Denise	Freeman, Terra
Bignell, Henry	DelValle, Terry	Fuller, Keith
Bodrey, Ray	Demorest, Nichelle	Futch, Stephen
Boles, Beth	Derrick, Mary	G
Bolques, Alejandro	Devalerio, Jim	Gabel, Kim
Bosques Mendez, Jonael	Dillard, Jed	Gamble, Sharon
Brew, Megan	Donahoe, Michael	Gazula, Aparna
Burbaugh, Bradley	Dowdle, Frank	Glenn, Martha

Gonzalez, Nicole L Obreza, Tom Olczyk, Teresa Goodchild, Mike Lamborn, Alicia R. Goodiel, Yvette Olson, Clay Lands, Stephen Grant, Henry Orwat, Matthew LeCroy, Jack Greer, Kelly Oswalt, Chris Lenhardt, Matt Η Leonard, Daniel P Haddock, Susan Lester, William Pabon, Eva Hallworth, Reyna Levulis, Deborah Pelham, Jennifer Hamilton, Mona Leymaster, Keri Pinson, Nicole Harlow, Erin Ludlow, Judy Place, Nick Lollar, Matthew Harlow, Luke Platts, Parker Harrison, Les Popenoe, Juanita Hayter, Sydney M Poppell, Kristen Henry, Mary-Beth Maddox, Martha Powell, Eddie Hicks, Gregory Malsatzki, Christian Hittle-McNair, Mindy Prevatt, Christopher Mannion, Catharine Prevatt, Tycee Hodges, Amanda Marek, Amanda Hochmuth, Bob Mauldin, Mark Q Hogue, Patrick Mayer, Henrique Holmes, David Mayo, Doug Hopkins, Morgan McAvoy, Camille Esmel R Houghton, Holly McAvoy, Eugene Rainey, Don Hrncirik, Lauren McConnell, Julie Rice, Ron Hunsberger, Adrian McWhorter, James Ricketts, Grantly Hurner, Laurie Milch, Gabrielle Rosenthal, Stan Hylton, Trevor Miller, Christian Mitchell, Ralph Ijpkemeule, Giovanni Moffis, Brooke Saft, Carolyn Moll, Jim Samuel, Norma Momol, Esen Sanders, Cindy Jackson, Scott Momol, Tim Sanagorski, Laura Morgan-Stowell, Melinda Jameson, Molly Sanchez, Tatiana Morie, Amy Jarvis, B.J. Scalera, Sally Morse, Jane Jeansonne, Brent Schall, Bill Mudge, Dennis Jennings, Ed Seals, Linda Mulvaney, Michael Jensen, Michael Sheftall, William Munroe, Nickie Johnson, Kenneth Shibles, David Musgrove, Carree Johnson, Libbie Shuffitt, Mark N Jordi, Becky Skvarch, Ed Neal. Anita S. K Snodgrass, Crystal Nistler, David Kelly-Begazo, Christine Sowerby, Mary Kirby, Christa Stauderman, Karen 0 Kluson, Robert Steed, Shawn

Stevely, John Stevenson, Carrie Stice, Bridget Strickland, Stacy Sullivan, Jessica Sweat, Mike

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Tancig, Mark
Thaxton, Blake
Thompson, Josh
Thralls, Ed
Tiu, Laura
Toro, Elena
Treadwell, Danielle
Troy, Patrick
Tyson, Richard

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VanWeelden, Matthew Varela, Andres Vergot, Pete

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Walter, Joe
Wang, Qingren
Warr, Jacqueline
Warren, Mark
Wasielewski, Jeff
Waters, Kalyn
Weaver, Marvin
Wells, Bonnie
Whidden, Alicia
Whidden, Katharine
White, Celeste

Wichman, Tom
Wiggins, Lindsey
Wiggins, Zadarreyal
Wilber, Wendy
Wilder, Barton
Williams, Larry
Wilson, Tim
Wooten, Hannah
Wynn, Keith

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#### **Mid-Year Meeting**

Elena Toro, CHAIR Columbia <u>etoro@ufl.edu</u>
Libbie Johnson, CO-CHAIR Escambia libbiej@ufl.edu

Members-David Austin Bob Hochmuth David Holmes Cami McAvoy Matt Orwat Nicole Pinson Chris Prevatt Blake Thaxton Keith Wynn

The FACAA Mid-Year Meeting was held at the Florida Farm Bureau Building in Gainesville on April 7, 2016 from 9:30pm to 4:30pm. The business meeting was held from 9:30 to 11:00 am and then the Deans (Dr. Place, Dr. Obreza and Dr. Mukhtar) had a panel discussion with the membership. The panel discussion was moderated by Juanita Popenoe, from Administrative Liaison Committee. Lunch was covered by FACAA. After lunch, Kevin Morgan and Mike Rogalsky from Farm Bureau provided an overview of the services that Florida Farm Bureau provides to its members and discussed the importance of strengthening relationships between IFAS and FFB. Ron Rice with the FACAA Foundation provide also an update for new agents on how to apply for scholarships. Finally, committees and districts had the opportunity to work together. The meeting was adjourned at 4 pm.

#### NACAA Annual Meeting / Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC)

Wendy Wilber, CHAIR Alachua wilbewl@ufl.edu

Florida had a great presence at the conference. We value this opportunity to learn from other Extension agents and specialists from across the nation.

From Florida we had

51 people attending the meeting including 9+ family members and Dr. Nick Place, and Saqib Mukhtar Of these

14 members presented seminars or abstracts (there were 102 presentations and so Florida gave 12+% of the work- very good presence!)

And

13 members had posters in the poster session

We had 3 national search for excellence award presentations In the areas of Agronomy Keith Wynn 4-H Liz Felter, Richard Tyson and a big team And Small Farms (SARE) Mace Bauer

We had nationally recognized communication award winners Terry Delvalle Theresa Badurek And Cindy Sanders

We also honored at this meeting our Distinguished Service Award Winners Stacy Strickland Carrie Stephenson And Steve Futch

And our Achievement Award Winners Shawn Steed Mary Beth Henry And Dan Fenneman

Dan Fenneman, Ron Rice, Blake Thaxton, Matt Lollar, and Mark Shuffitt were our voting delegates for the NACAA elections.

I am always so proud when Florida shows up in force. We are doing great things are happy to share with the rest of the country. Thank you for your support of our programming! And for coming to the conference it was great to have you there.

Wendy Wilber President Elect FACAA

#### **New Members Relations**

Elena Toro, CHAIR Columbia <u>etoro@ufl.edu</u>

Early Career Development and New Member Relations: These two committees worked together to hold a FACAA meeting for new members on February 22, 2015. Topics that were covered: Applying for

awards, presentations, and posters, writing quality abstracts, preparing for AMPIC in Little Rock, and information from our NACAA Southern Region Director. Fourteen people participated.

#### **Officer Nominations**

Ron Rice, CHAIR Palm Beach rwr@ufl.edu

Many thanks to FACAA Officer Nomination Committee members (all FACAA Past-Presidents) Cindy Sanders, Ed Jennings, and Larry Williams.

#### **FACAA Officers**

The 2015-2016 FACAA Officer Nominations Committee respectfully submits the following slate of Officer

candidates for consideration (by the FACAA membership by voting) to serve FACAA during 2016-2017:

President	Wendy Wilber	Alachua	District II
President Elect	Bridget Carlisle	Polk	District IV
Vice President	Libbie Johnson	Escambia	District I
Secretary	Lindsey Wiggins	Hendry	District V
Past President	Mark Shuffitt	Marion	District III
Treasurer	Christine Kelly-Begazo	Indian River	District IV
Webmaster	Jennifer Bearden	Okaloosa	District I

On June 12, 2016, the Chair emailed Nominating Committee members and asked them to consider candidates from District V for in-coming FACAA Secretary. Various criteria were used, such as prior service to FACAA (committees, District Director, etc), FACAA awards garnered (AA/DSA, Young Professional, etc), and FACAA involvement at EPAF (FACAA abstracts/posters, etc). Five candidates were evaluated, and the Nominating Committee selected Lindsey Wiggins for in-coming FACAA Secretary. Lindsey accepted this offer on June 20. The Chair then emailed the current FACAA Secretary (Libbie Johnson) to announce the proposed 2016-2017 slate of FACAA officers listed above. *Important:* The FACAA By-Laws indicate that the current FACAA Secretary must be officially informed of the proposed slate of FACAA officers at least 30 days before the annual FACAA Membership Meeting (which is to occur at EPAF on Sep 27, 2016). This proposed slate of FACAA Officers is then put to vote at the annual FACAA Membership Meeting.

#### Lindsey Wiggins Bio, Candidate for Secretary

Lindsey Wiggins has served as a Livestock Extension Agent for 9 years. She started at the Highlands County Extension office and later transferred to serve as the regional Livestock Agent in Hendry, Glades, Charlotte, Lee and Collier Counties. Lindsey focuses on beef cattle production, small farm management, and agriculture awareness. She has been involved in a few FACAA committees and served as a District Director from 2011 to 2013. In addition to receiving various state and national awards for excellence in programming, she received the NACAA Achievement Award in 2014. Lindsey is involved in regional and state livestock programming efforts; such as the Florida Cattlemen's Institute & Allied Trade Show and the South Florida Beef Forage Program, which she currently chairs.

#### FACAA Treasurer Status

At the end of 2015, Ed Skvarch retired as our FACAA Treasurer (you did a really great job Ed!), and Christine Kelly-Begazo stepped up and became our FACAA Treasurer beginning January 2016. *Reminder:* the FACAA Treasurer serves for a maximum of a 5-year period of time. This 5-year limit was increased from a 3-year limit at the annual FACAA Membership meeting at EPAF Panama City (Aug 26, 2014). Thus, the FACAA Nominating Committee should be looking at EPAF 2020 as the event where a new FACAA Treasurer will be nominated.

#### District Director Status

On June 20, 2016, the Chair contacted all FACAA District Directors via email to remind them to have their 2016-17 <a href="new">new</a> District Director nominees ready for presentation at the annual FACAA Membership Meeting (EPAF 2016). A reminder email was sent Aug 3, and the full slate of District Directors was finalized Aug 17, as follows:

<b>District</b>	Senior DD	Junior DD
1	Julie McConnell	Mark Mauldin
2	Mace Bauer	Luke Harlow
3	Bonnie Wells	Bill Lester
4	James McWhorter	Jonael Bosques
5	Chris Miller	Qingren Wang

The Chair informed current FACAA Secretary (Libbie Johnson) of these results on Aug 17. This proposed slate of District Directors will be put to vote at the annual FACAA Membership Meeting (Sep 27 at EPAF 2016 Daytona Beach).

#### **Policy & Resolutions**

Doug Mayo, CHAIR Jackson demayo@ufl.edu

#### **FACAA Policy Change Recommendations**

FACAA Policy & Resolution Committee 2015-16 Doug Mayo, Chairman, Jackson County Extension Policies of FACAA (Previous Update December 2009)

- 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. Recommendation Delete #8 entirely. FACAA does not handle these funds.
- 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. *Recommendation amend to include: spouse, family member, or significant other.* (Let the member decide. \$200 only goes so far).
- 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. *Recommendation* –

amend to Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD) and Joint Council of Extension Professionals Leadership Conference (JCEP).

- 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. FACAA shall provide one night's lodging and meals for Outstanding Agriculturist Award recipients and their spouses at the FACAA Annual Meeting.

#### **Professional Development (EPAF Abstracts)**

Shawn Steed, CHAIR Hillsborough ststeed@ufl.edu

A total of 43 abstracts were submitted under the FACAA association for review for the 2016 EPAF meeting. The committee consisted of 11 people: Shawn Steed (Chair), Jennifer Bearden, Jed Dillard, Martha Glenn, Erin Harlow, Ed Jennings, Mathew Lollar, Chris Oswalt, Ron Rice, Jessica Sullivan, and Blake Thaxton. Because of the large number of abstracts submitted this year, I divided the abstracts up among the committee, asking most committee members to review approximately 14 abstracts, while I reviewed 28 abstracts. All abstracts were reviewed a minimum of 4 times, scores were averaged and the abstracts scores were sent to the EPAF Committee Chairs for them to finalize the roster of presentations at EPAF. Committee members that were either authors or co-authors were asked to NOT to judge their own abstract(s). Each committee member was given a link to the abstracts on SharePoint, abstract scoring guidelines, as well as score sheets. Highlighting the competiveness of this process, after all abstracts were graded by committee members and scores were averaged, 26 of the 43 abstracts submitted scored a 40 or higher. Scoring was complete by May 9th, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted, Shawn Steed.



# **Section IV FACAA Top Honors**

#### **NACAA** Achievement Award Recipients (FACAA)

2016

Dan Fenneman Madison Mary Beth Henry Polk

Shawn Steed Hillsborough

2015

Norma Samuel Marion
Jim DeValerio Bradford
Gary England Lake

<u>2014</u>

Courtney Davis Okeechobee Stacy Strickland Hernando Lindsey Wiggins Hendry

2013

Libbie Johnson Escambia
Mark Warren Flagler
Ron Rice Palm Beach

2012

Les Baucum Hendry
Brad Burbaugh Duval
Elena Toro Suwannee

2011

Ed Skvarch St. Lucie Theresa Friday Santa Rosa

<u>2010</u>

Cindy Sanders Alachua Rebecca Jordi Nassau

2009

Adrian Hunsberger Miami-Dade Christa Carlson-Kirby Manatee

<u>2008</u>

Alejandro Bolques Gadsden Jennifer Welshans Osceola

2007

Pamela R. Mattis Duval Maia P. McGuire St. Johns

2006

Elizabeth Bolles Escambia Teresa Olczyk Miami-Dade

2005

Gene McAvoy Hendry
Laura Powell Palm Beach

<u>2004</u>

Mike Goodchild Walton Mark Shelby Sarasota

<u>2003</u>

Joseph Walter Brevard
Paulette Tomlinson Columbia

<u>2002</u>

Anita Neal St. Lucie

Tom Wichman Hort Science Dept

2001

Liz Felter Orange Doug Mayo Jackson

<u>2000</u>

Mary Sowerby Hillsborough Daniel Culbert Indian River

1999

Frank Melton Manatee Larry Williams Okaloosa

<u>199</u>8

Patricia Grace Putnam Mark Kistler Okeechobee

1997

Celeste White Orange William Schall Broward

<u>1996</u>

Gerald Edmondson Okaloosa Bruce Ward Walton

1995

Ben Castro Gadsden
Tom Schueneman Palm Beach

<u>199</u>4

Anthony Drew Levy Ed Jennings Pasco

<u> 1993</u>

Terry DelValle Duval Andy Andreasen Jackson

1992

David Dinkins Nassau

1991

Joan Bradshaw Pinellas

Sydney Park-Brown Hillsborough

<u>1988</u>

James F. Selph Desoto

<u>1987</u>

Uday Yadav Seminole

1986

David Marshall Leon

Kenneth D. Shuler Palm Beach

1984

Larry Halsey Jefferson

1983 W. Austin Tilton Putnam

<u>1982</u>

John Baldwin Levy

1981

Ed Jowers Madison

1980

Tom MacCubbin Orange

Harold Jones Duval

1978

Mike Demaree Pasco

<u> 1977</u>

Clayton Hutcheson Palm Beach

1976

Dan Mullins Escambia

1975

Richard Bir Alachua

<u>1974</u>

Jim Dilbeck St. Johns

<u>1973</u>

Tom Oswalt Polk

#### **NACAA Distinguished Service Award Recipients (FACAA)**

<u>2016</u>

Steve Futch CREC
Carrie Stephenson Escambia
Stacy Strickland Sumter

<u>2015</u>

Elena Toro Suwannee Larry Figart Duval Les Baucum Highlands

2014

Sonja Crawford Hendry Ed Skvarch St Lucie Wendy Wilber Alachua

2013

Alejandro Bolques Gadsden Mike Goodchild Walton Anita Neal St. Lucie

<u>2012</u>

Christa Kirby Manatee
Jennifer Pelham Osceola
Cindy Sanders Alachua

2011

Bridget Carlisle Polk
Shep Eubanks Holmes
Ken Rudisill Bay

2010

Teresa Olczyk Miami Dade John Mark Shuffitt Marion Joe Walter Brevard

<u>2009</u>

Martha Maddox Sumter Doug Mayo Jackson Richard Tyson Orange

2008

Jacque Breman Union Gerald R. Edmondson Okaloosa Gene McAvoy Hendry

2007

Andy Andreasen Washington
Beth Boles Escambia
Larry Williams Okaloosa

Dan Culbert Okeechobee
David Dinkins St. Johns
Clay Olson Taylor

2005

Dale Bennett Wakulla Liz Felter Orange Jim Fletcher Brevard

<u>2004</u>

George Hochmuth North Florida REC
Oliver Patrick Miller Okeechobee
Michael Sweat Baker

<u>2003</u>

Charles L. Brasher Jackson Ed Jennings Sumter

Robert C. Hochmuth North Florida REC

2002

Terry DelValle Duval
Patrick Hogue Okeechobee
Eugene Joyner Palm Beach

2001

David Holmes Marion
Bill Schall Palm Beach
Earnest Stephens Duval

2000

Henry Grant Gadsden
Travis Seawright Manatee
Roy Carter Gulf

<u>1999</u>

Gary Brinen Alachua

Tim Crocker Hort Science Dept

Eleanor Foerste Osceola

1998

Loretta Hodyss St. Johns Daniel Mullins Santa Rosa

1997

James Selph Desoto Michael McKinney Hillsborough

<u>1996</u>

Robert Tervola Suwannee David Marshall Leon

Gary Simonne Gainesville Campus

Richard Aalberg Manatee
Michael Donahoe Santa Rosa
William Thomas Columbia

1994

George Henry Jr. Leon
Linda Landrum Volusia
E. Ben Whitty Agronomy

<u> 1993</u>

Lawrence Halsey Jr. Jefferson

1992

Freddie Johnson Entomology
Raymond Zerba Jr. Clay
Lamar Christenberry Escambia
Sydney Park-Brown Hillsborough

1991

James Stephens Vegetable Crops

Robert Renner Marion
Kenneth Shuler Palm Beach

John Brenneman Polk

1990

David Hall Herbarium
Carrol Douglas Poultry Science

Austin Tilton Putnam

1989

Michael Demaree Pasco Lawrence Heitmeyer Leon Marvin Weaver Gilchrist

<u>1988</u>

Reggie Brown Collier William (Bill) Brown Alachua Wayne Wade Hillsborough

<u>198</u>7

John Baldwin Levy
Ed Jowers Jackson
Thomas MacCubbin Orange

<u>1986</u>

O.J. (Jay) Hebert Orange Sidney (Sid) Sumner Polk William Phillips Marion

1985

James Dilbeck St. Johns Dallas Townsend Hendry Robert Whitty Martin

James Cummings St. Lucie George T (Tim) Hurner Highlands

Harold Jones

Duval

1983

T. Jesse Godbold Clay

Clayton Hutcheson Palm Beach Charles Walthall Okaloosa

1982

Al Dawson Hernando Larry Loadholtz Volusia Luther Rozar Sarasota

1981

Ed Allen Duval Roy Champagne Dade Bob Davis Polk

1980

Raleigh Griffis Palm Beach Tom Oswalt Polk

Bobby Taylor Bradford

1979

Donald George Sumter
William Smith Jr. Suwannee
Jack Spears Holmes

<u>1978</u>

James Estes Franklin Jack Haddox Lake

Roger Newton Hillsborough

1977

A.T. Andrews Alachua Bobby Durden Wakulla L. Lowell Loadholtz Brevard

<u>1976</u>

Paul Glasscock Hillsborough Sylvester Rose Brevard

<u>1975</u>

Rance Andrews Hamilton Bernard Clark Gadsden David Solger Polk

Donald LanderCollierHenry DavisTaylorKen PriceOkeechobeeJames WalkerEscambia

1973

Thomas Braddock Duval Seymour Goldweber Dade Gil Whitton Pinellas

1972

Nolan Duree Dade Donald Jordon Flagler Lewis Watson Broward

1971

Horace Carr Bay Luther Harold Baker Hugh Whelchel St. Lucie

1970

John Causey Palm Beach E.J. Cowan Dixie Harvey Paulk Calhoun

1969

Paul Dinkins St. Johns Neal Dukes Columbia John Russell Gadsden

<u>1968</u>

Jack HaymanHardeeJack PattonOkaloosaJim YelvingtonGilchrist

1967

Leonard Cobb Levy
J.E. Davis Washington
Cecil Tucker Seminole

1966

Jean Beam Hillsborough Wilburn Farrell Alachua Cubie Laird Gulf

<u>1965</u>

J.B. Smith Osceola
William Zorn Santa Rosa
Ralph Townsend Volusia

Edsel Rowan Marion
O.R. (Rudy) Hamrick Madison
Bob Pryor Palm Beach

1963

R.T. Clay Putman J. Paul Crews Suwannee

1962

Gordon Ellis Nassau Woodrow Glenn Jackson B.J. Harris Jr. Highlands

1961

Oscar Harrison Walton Hubert Maltby Putnam Henry Swanson Orange

1960

John Campbell Dade Lloyd Rhoden Leon

1959

Harper Kendrick Manatee W.J. Cowan Union

1958

Jim Watson Duval

Jim Higgins Pasco County BOCC

<u>1957</u>

E.N. Stephens Escambia
J.O. Armour Hillsborough

<u>1956</u>

George Huggins Bradford Kennith Clark Sarasota

1955

James Oxford Brevard Harry Brinkley Pinellas

<u>1954</u>

Emmett McCall Santa Rosa P.Q. McMullen St. Johns

<u>1953</u>

Shelby Brothers Lafayette W.L. Woods Desoto

1952

William Platt Jr. Volusia W.P. Hayman Polk

N.H. McQueen Charlotte
Mitchell Wilkins Walton

1950

Ed L. Ayers Manatee Fred Baetzman Orange

1949

Albert Lawton Duval Carl Heuck Lee

<u>1948</u>

Robert Norris Lake Lonnis Blitch Alachua

1947

M.U. Mounts
Alex White
Palm Beach
Hillsborough

<u>1946</u>

Beverly Lawton Broward John Henry Logan Pinellas

1945

K.C. Moore Orange Joseph Malone Jackson

1944

S.C. Kierce Suwannee C.H. Steffani Dade

<u>1943</u>

J.R. Gunn Osceola E.H. Finlayson Escambia

#### Young Professional Award Recipients Florida Farm Credit Association of Florida

<u>2016</u>

Vanessa Campoverde Miami-Dade

<u>2015</u>

Matt Lollar Jackson

2014

Shawn Steed Polk

2013

Aparna Gazula Alachua

<u>2012</u>

Erin Harlow Duval

2011

Brad Burbaugh Duval

2010

Leslie Baucum Hendry

<u>2009</u>

Christine Kelly-Begazo Indian River

<u>2008</u>

Elena Toro Suwannee

2007

Theresa Friday Santa Rosa

2006

Rebecca Jordi Nassau

<u>2005</u>

Cynthia Sanders Alachua

<u>2004</u>

Alex Bolques Gadsden

2003

Adrian Hunsberger Dade

2002

Gene McAvoy Hendry

2001

Beth Bolles Escambia

<u>2000</u>

Doug Mayo Jackson

Liz Felter Orange

<u>1998</u>

Laurie Hurner Palm Beach

<u>1997</u>

Larry Williams Okaloosa

<u>1996</u>

No nominations

1995 Kenneth Gioeli St. Lucie

#### **Outstanding Agriculturist Award Recipients**

#### <u>2016</u>

Steve Brown Orange
Dalton Dowdy Duval
Bill Hester Volusia
Wilton Simpson Pasco

#### 2015

Bradley Arnold Sumter
Sarah Childs Highlands
Gary Reeder Manatee
Paul Allen Palm Beach

#### 2014

Ken Barton Holmes
Bruce Christmas Jackson
Mickey Diamond Santa Rosa
Marc Harrell Sumter

#### 2013

Ron O'Connor Polk
Tom Braddock Duval
Danny Johns St Johns
Ray Hull Hendry

#### 2012

Billy Kempfer Brevard

Monty Knox Orange

Allen & Nikki Smith Okeechobee

Alto Straughn Alachua

#### 2011

John Hoblick Volusia
Kathleen Eubanks Alachua
Jim Strickland Manatee
Erica Santella Lake

#### <u>2010</u>

Emil Belibasis Suwannee
Ron Hamel Hendry
Dwight Stansel Suwannee
Ned L Waters Polk

#### 2009

Richard Carroll Pinellas
Jimmy Cunningham Escambia
Edgar Stokes Highlands
Valentine Rooks Citrus

Doyal GodwinUnionKen HarrisonDesotoDebra JoneckPalm BeachBill ReseeMarion

2007

Lin Taber Baker
PJ Klinger Sumter
Larry Beasley Hendry
Chuck Obern Hendry

2006

Jerry Davis Santa Rosa William (Billy) Sellers Hernando Ralph Palaez Okeechobee

2005

Wade Grigsby Hendry
Jack Price Collier
George Poucher Suwannee
Phil Turner Desoto

2004

Pat Cockrell Alachua Mike Milicevic Highlands John (Jack) Paul Jr. Hendry Andy Tucker Brevard

2003

Donald Bennink Gilchrist
Herman Moore Gadsden
Dot Driggers Putnam
George Owens Washington

2002

Chanley Carter Jackson
Doyle Conner Jefferson
James Davis Washington
Robert Evans Okaloosa

2001

F. Allen Boyd Jefferson
William R. Cotton St. Johns
Barney Greene Indian River
Madeline Mellinger Palm Beach

<u>2000</u>

Dr. Joe Cialone Lake
Doug Bournique Indian River
Jeff Crawford Jackson
Davis Neill St. Lucie

Ralph Sexton Indian River
Dan McClure Manatee
Howard Lerch Jackson
W. Bernard Lester Hendry

1998

Dooley Houghtaling Hillsborough Norma Todd Hendry Frank Williamson Jr. Okeechobee

Frank Zorn

1997

George Finora Pasco
Bernard Lewis Gadsden
Robert Morris Hillsborough
Ray Norman Bradford

1996

John Shadd Union
Max Fletcher Gadsden
Leland Thomas Jackson
William Owens Martin

1995

High English Hendry
Judson Minear Martin
Robert Revel Putnam

1994

Joe Marlin Hilliard Sr. Hendry
L.E. McMillian Jr. Jackson
Ernest Nunez Pasco
Klaus Sengelemann Palm Beach

<u>1993</u>

Frank Pohill Hendry
Edwin Klipstine St. Johns
Joe Barthle Pasco

1992

Donald Sellers Sr. Palm Beach Kelly E. Smith Putman Peter Carlin Sarasota Addy Jones Gilchrist

<u> 1991</u>

Thomas Smith Gadsden
John Hey Lake
Bert Harris Jr. Highlands
Leroy Baldwin Marion

Buster Pratt Polk

Gene Ragan Jackson/Holmes
Ted Winsberg Palm Beach
John Stitt Hendry

1989

Gene Felton Hendry
Joe Forshee Duval
James Luttrell Manatee

Francis Brubaker &

BettyJo Brubaker St. Johns

1988

James Ray Okaloosa Al Bellotto Polk Ralph Clay, Sr. Putnam Robert Barben Highlands

<u>1987</u>

James Fogerty Leon
Carolyn Kempfer Brevard
Will Maxwell Gadsden
Marshall Watkins Hillsborough

<u>198</u>6

Saundra Gray Volusia
Jim Flanagan Osceola
John V. D'Albora Brevard
G. Franklin Ward Highlands

<u>1985</u>

Carl B Loop Jr. Duval
Fount May Sr. Gadsden
Bill Grant Lafayette
G. Franklin Ward Highlands

1984

Dan Childs Highlands
R.D. Bennett Jackson
Albin Crutchfield Volusia
Hugh Grambling Hillsborough

1983

Truman J. Smith Hernando T.G. Lee Orange Red Phillips Polk

Copeland Newburn Hillsborough

1982

Henry Douglas Pasco
Max Hammond Polk
J.J. Parrish Brevard
E.D. (Buddy) Neel Washington

Merwyn Barrineau Escambia Murray Spooner Gadsden Fred Montsdeoca Marion Jerry Soowal Broward

1980

Arthur Aukema Jackson
Norma Gill Manatee
Sam Sounders Clay
Allen Nease St. Johns

1979

Hallie Hearn Jackson
Jim Southerland Taylor
Ray Crawford Union
J.O. Pearce Okeechobee

1978

A.T. Alverez Duval
Vick Blackstone Manatee
E.H. Finlayson Jefferson
Carroll L. (Bud) Ward Lake

<u>197</u>7

J.P. Sandlin
C. Aubrey Caruthers
Mike Machek
John R. Biebenthaler

Levy
Sumter
Palm Beach
Pinellas

<u>1976</u>

John Davis Escambia
Wiley Blair Madison
Henry W. Land Orange
Frank Sullivan III Brevard

1975

Rep. Wayne Mixon Jackson
L.E. Lawson Okeechobee

<u>197</u>4

Carroll Lamb Leon
Paul Hayman Polk
Thornton Hartley Alachua
V.C. Johnson Duval

<u>1973</u>

Billy Hill Hamilton
William H. Stuart Polk
W. Herman Boyd Dade
Steve Simmons St. Johns

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. John

<u>1966</u>

Elba Wilson Carswell Washington Louis Gilbreath St. Johns

1965

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

#### **Extension Specialist Award Recipients**

2016

Dr. Norm Leppla Entomology
Dr. Bryan Unruh West Florida REC

<u>2015</u>

Dr. Jennifer Gilette Kaufman Entomology Dr. Laurie Trenholm Env. Horticulture

2014

Dr. Ann Blount North Florida REC Dr. Cliff Lamb North Florida REC

2013

Dr. Maria Silviera Range Cattle REC
Dr. Jamie Ellis Entomology/Nematology

2012

Dr. Matt Hersom Animal Science
Dr. Richard Raid Everglades REC

2011

Dr. Joao Vendramini Range Cattle REC

2010

Dr. Brent Sellers Range Cattle REC

2009

Dr. Steve Olson North Florida REC

2008

Dr. Jason A. Ferrell Agronomy

2007

Dr. Robert Stamps Environmental Hort.

<u>2006</u>

Dr. Tim Marshall Animal Science

2005

Dr. John Arthington Animal Science

Dr. Ron Muraro Food & Resource Econ.

2004

Dr. Bob Sand Animal Science
Dr. Bryan Unruh Turf Grass

<u>200</u>3

Dr. Findlay Pate Animal Science
Dr. Richard Sprenkel North Florida REC

Chuck Cichra Fisheries/Aquatic Sci.

Tom Yeager Horticulture

2001

Dr. George Hochmuth North Florida REC

<u> 2000</u>

Dr. Fedro Zuzueta Information Tech

<u>1999</u>

Dr. Gerald Kidder Soil & Water Sci.

1998

Dr. Gary W. Simone Plant Pathology

<u> 1997</u>

Dr. Gary Knox Environ. Hort.

1996

Dr. Kathleen Ruppert Environ. Hort.

<u> 1995</u>

Dr. Bill Stall Vegetable Crops

1994

Dr. David Wright North Florida REC

1993

Dr. Carroll Douglas Poultry Science

1992

Dr. Larry Jackson Fruit Crops

<u> 1991</u>

Dr. Ben Whitty Agronomy

1990

Dr. Tom Kucherek Plant Pathology

1989

Dr. Freddie Johnson Entomology

1988

Dr. Ed J. Richey Vet Medicine

1987

Dr. David Tucker Fruit Crops

1986

Dr. Dan Webb Dairy Science

<u>1985</u>

Dr. Timothy Crocker Fruit Crops

Mr. Jim Stephens Vegetable Crops

<u>1983</u>

Mr. Dalton Harrison Ag Engineering

<u>1982</u>

No Nominations

1981

Dr. Barney Harris Dairy Science

1980

Mr. Tony Jensen Forestry

<u> 1979</u>

Mr. Kenneth Durrance Animal Science

<u>1978</u>

Mr. Lester Kalch Poultry Science

<u>1977</u>

Mr. Dave Jones Agronomy

<u>1976</u>

Dr. James Montelar Vegetable Crops

<u>1975</u>

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

#### **FACAA Hall of Fame Award Recipients**

<u>2016</u>

No recipient

<u>2015</u>

No recipient

2014

No recipient

<u>2013</u>

No recipient

<u>2012</u>

Austin Tilton Retired CED, Putnam County

<u>2011</u>

No recipient

<u>2010</u>

Dallas Townsend Ag Agent Retired, Hendry County

<u>2009</u>

No recipient

<u>2008</u>

Henry E. Jowers Jackson County Extension

2007

James Watson CED, Ag Agent Retired, Duval County

<u>2006</u>

Lowell Loadholtz CED, Ag Agent Retired, Brevard County

\*2006 Southern Region NACAA Hall of Fame Award Winner



# Section V 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)

# 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
Jesse Godbold A.C.
531 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 32043
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>Section 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:

OFFICENAMEPresidentJack SpearsPresident ElectClayton HutchesonSecretaryJesse Godbold

Secretary Jesse Godbolo Treasurer John Baldwin

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

# ARTICLE SEVEN BOARD 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).

<u>Section 2</u>. 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 Bylaws.

<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
James Dilbeck
Jim Selph

3200 E New York Ave, Deland, FL 32724
49 King S., St. Augustine, FL 32804
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) http://facaa.ifas.ufl.edu/by-laws.shtml

#### **Article I: 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 March 15. 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 reelected, 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)

D. The President-Elect will have the responsibility of working with committee chairs to insure that committee assignments are carried out in a timely manner. (Adopted 9/2009)

#### **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:

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

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

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

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

District #5 – 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)

#### Section 4

One (1) Webmaster will be assigned to the board. This position will be responsible for maintaining the information posted on the FACAA website (http:\\facaa.ifas.ufl.edu). These duties include communication with the president and treasurer for up-to-date changes to membership, committee chairs, by-laws, policies, etc. This non-voting position will be appointed annually by the board and can be reassigned to an unlimited number of terms. (Adopted 8/31/11).

#### **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 Officer2. Invocation3. Reading and Disposal of Minutes of Previous Meeting4. Reports of Officers and Committees5. Unfinished Business6. New Business7. Program8. Adjournment

#### Section 6

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

#### Article IV: Delegation 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 9/1994)

#### 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

- A) 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)
- B) If a FACAA board member or officer misses 2 consecutive meetings without written prior communication and justification, they will be asked by the president to step down from their position on the board. (Adopted 9/2009)

#### **Article VI: Committees**

#### Section 1

Committees and the nature and extent 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

- A) The Educational Foundation committee shall be composed of current officers and directors and be responsible for screening and selection of scholarship recipients.
- B) The five most recent Past Presidents shall comprise the Officer Nominating Committee. The immediate Past President will Chair this Committee. (Adopted 9/2009)
- C) All members of the Awards and Recognition Committee shall have been recipients of the Distinguished Service Award. (Adopted 9/2009)
- D) The Life Member Committee Chair will be a Life Member. (Adopted 9/2009)
- E) 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. (Adopted 9/2009)
- F) The selection of an annual Hall of Fame Award will be the responsibility of the Awards & Recognition Committee. (Adopted 9/2009)

#### 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

Educational Foundation Committee shall be composed of four members appointed by the president plus the past-president serving as chair. This committee will be responsible for screening and selection of scholarship recipients. Those serving on the committee may not apply for a scholarship during the same year. (Adopted 8/31/11).

#### **Article VII: Financial Affairs**

#### **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.

#### **Article VIII: Amendments**

#### Section 1

These By-laws shall be amended by majority vote of members 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 December 2009)

- 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. FACAA shall provide one night's lodging and meals for Outstanding Agriculturist Award recipients and their spouses at the FACAA Annual Meeting.
- 8. 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.
- 9. The FACAA Past-President will serve as chair and FACAA President as Vice-Chair of the FACAA Foundation Committee and their duties will include managing the foundation, coordinating the annual foundation breakfast and coordinating the scholarship and application and award. (Revised December, 2009).
- 10. 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.
- 11. Membership dues are not generally refundable; the Board of Directors must approve exceptions.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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).
- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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).
- 17. An annual \$500 scholarship will be awarded from the educational foundation to a UF student in consultation with advisors from the Agricultural Education and Communication Department. Recipient must be present for recognition at an official FACAA meeting. (Revised December 2008).

#### FACAA Educational Foundation Criteria for Scholarships

http://facaa.ifas.ufl.edu/scholarship.shtml

- 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 \$500.00 to an individual applicant in one fiscal year and will not exceed \$500.00 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 \$2500.00).
- 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 Educational Foundation Committee will meet in April to consider scholarship applications. Applications must be received by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Applicants awarded scholarships will be announced by FACAA Foundation Committee Chair at the midyear meeting in April.
- 9. Upon completion of the intended professional improvement activity for which scholarship funds have been awarded, the scholarship recipient must make a brief report to the FACAA Education Foundation which will be presented at the midyear meeting. The report should 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.

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