

# 2016 - 2017 FACAA Annual Report



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

Sanibel Harbour Marriott Resort Fort Myers, Florida Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30- 5:00 pm



# Agenda

Call to Order – Wendy Wilber

Invocation – Mark Shuffitt

Introductions: New Members / First-Time Attendees/ and guests

Reading & Disposal of Minutes (Mid-Year FACAA Membership Meeting) – Lindsey Wiggins

Treasurer's Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

Audit Report – Joe Walter

NACAA Southern Region Director's Report – Dr. Bill Burdine New Albany, Mississippi

#### **Old Business**

Committee Reports (follow order in 2017 FACAA Annual Report) – Committee Chairs FAC/Country Store 2017 – Bridget Stice
Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Wendy Wilber
Educational Foundation Update – Mark Shuffitt
JCEP & PILD Conference – Mark Shuffitt & Bridget Stice & Wendy Wilber
2016 NACAA AM/PIC Report (Salt Lake City Utah) – Libbie Johnson

#### **New Business**

Presentation of NACAA Vice-President Gene McAvoy – Bob Hochmuth & Libbie Johnson EPAF Announcements – Wendy Wilber

FAC/Country Store 2018 – Libbie Johnson

Sunbelt Ag Expo 2017 - Mark Mauldin

2018 Mid-Year Meeting Update – Libbie Johnson

Bid Presentation and Update NACAA AM/PIC 2022 Libbie Johnson

Change in 1<sup>st</sup> Timers registration fee for the NACAA AM/PIC Lindsey Wiggins and Bill Burdine

Dismissal of the Public Information Request Lawsuit Christine Kelly Begazo

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

Nominating Committee Report (Election of FACAA Officers) – Mark Shuffitt

Committee Sign up

Presentation of the Gavel

Adjourn



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2015 – 2016



August 1st, 2017

#### Dear FACAA Members,

It has been my distinct pleasure to serve as your FACAA president for 2016-2017. Thank you for the opportunity and big thanks to the FACAA board of Bridget Stice, Libbie Johnson, Lindsey Wiggins, Christine Kelly Begazo, and Past President Mark Shuffit. It has been privilege to serve with these talented and patient individuals.

What started out to be just a normal looking year of association work took some wild dips and turns, and now 2017 is in the record books as a monumental year for the FACAA.

At our April midyear meeting we decided as an Association to bid on hosting the NACAA's Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference in 2022. This was a huge decision and I was impressed with the confidence and commitment of our Florida Association.

On July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Salt Lake City, Utah Florida's own Gene McAvoy was elected to the office of Vice President of our National Association of County Agriculture Agents. He is the first person from Florida to be elected to this office in more than 50 years. We look forward to Gene moving up in the officer rotation and being president of the NACAA in 2019.

I have enjoyed my time as FACAA President because in this association we find joy and happiness in seeing others succeed. This group knows that when we see our peers succeed that the success is shared by us all. This culture seems like the norm to us but I can tell you it is rare indeed.

Remember you only get back what you put in to the association, but it does come back to you *gift-wrapped*. Get or stay involved in your committees, step it up a level if you are ready, or even if you're not. And know that you belong to one of the best professional associations out there.

I leave the leadership of FACAA in the great and capable hands of Bridget Stice, Libbie Johnson, and Lindsey Wiggins; they are hard workers with a great vision. Awesome things are coming our way! Many thanks to past president Mark Shuffit for guiding me through this past year and for Cindy Sanders for starting me on this path.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Wendy Wilber FACAA President

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#### Vice President's Message 2016-2017

August 11, 2017

Dear FACAA Members,

I want to begin by saying that serving as your Vice President this year has been a wonderful experience. I feel like I am finally getting a chance to know many of you and your programs, and it has been a blessing in my life. As one of the most physically remote agents in the state, the opportunities to interact with you have really helped me to get a picture of the depth of knowledge and experience that FACAA members possess. Rarely have I been disappointed when I've asked one of you to help me in some capacity; you have helped to make my job easier. I FIRMLY believe that our organization is one of the strongest in the nation, and in no small part, it is due to the leadership and work that our committees perform. Throughout the year, I've had various committee members call me with well-planned projects and ideas. Keep it up, Friends! Continue to bring great ideas to the board and take initiative to make your committee as strong as it can be. If you ever have a question, we are here to help.

The clock is ticking. We have a little less than five years before we will welcome our fellow Extension agents from throughout the country (and Puerto Rico) to Florida for the 2022 Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC). I don't think words can express how very excited I am that we are going to be able to highlight our state and our producers and share the Florida experience with so many of our friends. Don't be surprised if you hear from me or Shawn Steed in the next few years with a request to serve in some position. Some of our best FACAA leaders who led in 2004 insist that hosting an AM/PIC has the power to invigorate an association. If that is indeed the case, our AM/PIC will be incredibly successful and FACAA will be stronger than ever.

Due to the leadership of past-President Shuffitt, we are working on fine-tuning our Mid-Year meeting. We have moved from it being offered electronically to a face-to-face meeting. My goal for 2017-2018 is to make this meeting more worthwhile for all of us. I ask each of you to stay tuned, and if you have any ideas or suggestions, feel free to give me a call or send me an email. Or, better yet, sign up for the Mid-Year Committee.

I thank each of you for participating in FACAA. I hope that many of you put July 29-August 2, 2018 on your calendar and make plans to attend the Chattanooga, Tennessee AM/PIC.

Sincerely,

Libbie Johnson

Libbie Johnson

# **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	2016-17	Wendy Wilber
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.

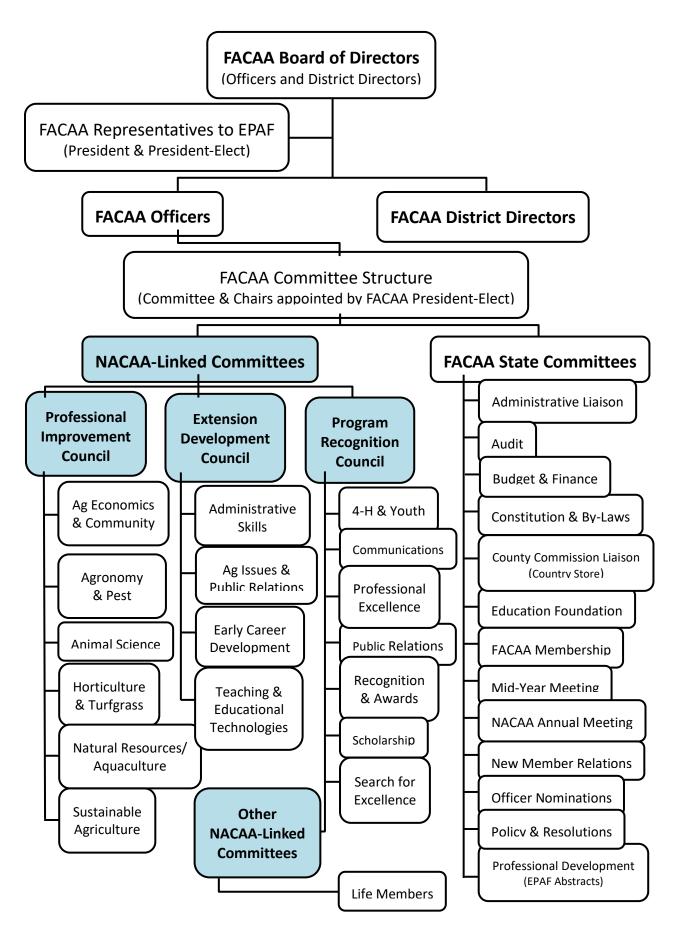
#### **Professional Improvement Council**

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.

# **FACAA Organizational Structure**



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# **FACAA Committee Assignments (2016-2017)**

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

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

#### **Ag Economics and Community Development**

Chair Chris Prevatt

Co Chair James McWhorter

Members: Kevin Athearn, Megan Brew Mann, Ed Jennings, Jamie Cohen, Brad Burbaugh

#### **Agronomy and Pest Management**

Chair Mace Bauer

Co Chair Bonnie Wells

Members: Frank Dowdle, Crystal Snodgrass, Chris Miller, Tatiana Sanchez, Mark Mauldin, Qingren Wang, Keith Wynn, Dan Fenneman, Jim Davis, Adrain Husberger, Chris Prevatt, Christine Kelly Begazo,

Matt Van Weeldon

#### **Animal Science**

Chair Jonael Bosques

Co Chair Joe Walter

Members: Kaylyn Water, Megan Brew Mann, James McWhorter, Mark Mauldin, Lauren Butler, Paulette Tomlinson, Lindsey Wiggins, Ed Jennings, Deanna Thompson, Chris Prevatt, Christine Kelly Begazo

#### **Horticulture and Turfgrass**

Chair Grantley Ricketts

Co Chair Carolyn Saft

Members: Alicia Lamborn, Shawn Steed, Daniel Leonard, DJ Wiggins, Vanessa Campo Verde, Martha Glenn, Michelle Atkinson, Wayne Hobbs, Bill Lester, Don Rainey, David Austin, Jim Davis, Larry Williams, Amy Vu, Adrain Hunsberger, Ralph Mitchell, Nicole Munroe, Eva Pabonm Maxine Hunter, Karen Stauderman

#### **Early Career Development**

Chair Libbie Johnson

Co Chair Denise DeBusk

Members: Crystal Snodgrass, Alicia Lamborn, Carrie Stevenson, Nick Simmons

#### **Teaching and Educational Technologies**

Chair Nicole Pinson

Co Chair Wayne Dobbs, Vanessa Campoverde

Members:

#### 4-H and Youth

Chair Christa Kirby

Co Chair Prissy Fletcher

Members: Mary Sowerby, Carolyn Saft, David Austin, Wayne Hobbs, Michelle Atkinson, Eva Pabon, Jim

Davis

#### **Scholarship**

Chair David Austin Co Chair Jim Davis

Members: Gene McAvoy, Sheila Dunning

#### **Search for Excellence**

Chair Shawn Steed

Co Chair Libbie Johnson

Members: Quireng Wang, Terra Freeman, Mary Sowerby, Vanessa Campoverde, Keith Wynn, Nichelle Demorest, Patrick Troy, Amy Vu, Frank Dowdle, Martha Glenn, Kevin Athearn, Eva Pabon, Jim Davis, Adrain Hunsberger, Ron Rice

#### **Life Member**

Chair Karen Stauderman Co Chair Mike Goodchild Members:

#### **Administrative Liaison**

Chair Ed Skvarch

Co Chair Christine Kelly Begazo

#### **Professional Development Abstract Committee**

Chair Jim DeValerio

Co Chair Tim Wilson

Members: Jessica Sullivan, Colleen Larson, Erin Harlow, Carolyn Saft, Nichelle Demorest, Patrick Troy, Luke Harlow, Jeff Wasielewski, Chris Miller, Deanna Thompson, L. Nicole Munroe, Nicole Pinson, Ron Rice, Shawn Steed, Martha Glenn, Yvette Goodiel, Molly Jameson, Whitney Elmore

#### **Professional Excellence**

Chair Martha Glenn

Co Chair Nicole Pinson

Members: Don Rainey, Gene McAvoy, Ralph Mitchell, Vanessa Bielema

#### **County Commission Liaison**

**Bridget Stice** 

Co Chair David Austin

Members, David Austin, Ralph Mitchell, Libbie Johnson, Lauren Butler, Matt Van Weelden, Chrisitne Begazo

Lauren Butler

#### **FACAA Membership Committee**

Chair Martha Glenn Co Chair Michelle Atkinson Members: Ethan Carter, Jim Davis

#### **Mid Year Meeting**

Chair Libbie Johnson Co Chair Dan Fenneman Members: Mace Bauer, Chris Prevatt, Keith Wynn

#### **NACAA Annual Meeting States Night Out**

Chair Bridget Stice Co Chair Bonnie Wells Members: Christa Kirby, Paulette Tomlinson

#### **New Members Relations**

Chair Brooke Moffis Co Chair Jim Davis

Members: Dan Fenneman, Crystal Snodgrass, Keith Wynn, Molly Jameson

#### Natural Resources/Aquaculture

Chair Shelia Dunning Co Chair Jim Davis

Members: Richard Tyson, Dennis Mudge, Andrea Alberltin, Larry Figart, Mark Tancig, Maxine Hunter

#### **Sustainable Agriculture**

Chair Mary Beth Henry Co Chair Martha Maddox

Members: Molly Jameson, Richard Tyson, Crystal Snodgrass, Evan Anderson, Jessica Sullivan, Qingren

Wang, Bonnie Wells, Shawn Steed, Trevor Hylton, Amy Vu, Yvette Goodiel

#### **Administrative Skills Development**

Chair Laurie Hurner Co Chair Brad Burbaugh

Members: Cindy Sanders, Jeff Wasielewski, Nick Simmons

#### **Agriculture Issues and Public Relations**

Chair James McWhorter Co Chair Chris Prevatt

Members: Chris Miller, Yvette Goodiel, Jamie Cohen

# **Communications**

Chair Blake Thaxton Co Chair Julie McConnell

Members: Daniel Leonard, Larry Figart, Luke Harlow, Denise DeBusk, Nicole Pinson, Martha Glenn, Michelle Atkinson, Matt Lollar, Frank Dowdle, Amy Vu, Evan Anderson, Terra Freeman, Mark Tancig, Bonnie Wells

# **Public Relations**

Chair David Nistler Co Chair Jim Davis

Members: Paulette Tomlinson, Gene McAvoy



# Section II FACAA Meetings Agendas & Minutes



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

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

> Monday, September 26, 2016 1:15 – 2:45 pm



# Agenda

Call to Order – Mark Shuffitt

Invocation – Ron Rice

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

Treasurer's Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### **Old Business**

2016 PILD Conference – Wendy Wilber & Mark Shuffitt
2016 FAC/Country Store – Wendy Wilber
Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Ron Rice
Educational Foundation Update – Ron Rice
2016 NACAA AM/PIC Update (Little Rock, AR) – Libbie Johnson & Ron Rice

#### **New Business**

EPAF Board Announcements – Wendy Wilber & Mark Shuffitt

Nominating Committee Report (FACAA Officers & District Directors) – Ron Rice

2017 Mid-Year Meeting Update – Libbie Johnson

2017 JCEP Leadership Conference – Mark Shuffitt

8-9 February 2017 Orlando, FL (Double Tree Hilton)

2017 PILD Conference – Mark Shuffitt 2-5 April, 2017 Crystal City, VA (Hyatt Regency)

FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair (always from Northeast District 2) – Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt 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 Review agenda items (FACAA Membership Meeting) – FACAA Board

#### Adjourn



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# **Agenda**

\$21,416.47

Call to Order – Mark Shuffitt at 1:17

Present: Mark Shuffitt, Ron Rice, Wendy Wilber, Bridget Carlisle, Christian Miller, James McWhorter, Jennifer Bearden, Bonnie Wells, Dan Fenneman, Luke Harlow, Mace Bauer, Christine K. Begazo, Libbie Johnson

Invocation – James McWhorter

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

• Motion to approve by Bridget, seconded by Dan Fenneman

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Reporting Period: 7/1/15 - 6/30/16

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JCEP Participation Incentive	\$450.00
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Flowers (Cynthia Gregg) & Appreciation Vase	(Elena Toro) \$185.90
Florida Department of State (Annual Filing Fee	\$70.00
JCEP & PILD Expenses	\$1,956.03
Mid-Year Meeting Expenses (Lunch-FFB, snac	ks-Elena Toro) \$685.55
Agriculture Development Council (Silver level s	support for Arkansas) \$3000.00*

2016 States' Night Out-NACAA (Cajun's Wharf+deposit)	\$200.00
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- We have reimbursed travel for AA/DSA winners who requested travel help for their spouse.
  - o \$200 stipend for spouse for those who win NACAA AA/DSA awards
  - o Cynthia Gregg's mother flowers
- Motion to approve: James, seconded by Bridget. Passed. We passed the audit; we need to be more careful with changing treasurers. If there are things that come from the report that Christine needs to change, Christine and Joe will share that with the board.
  - o \$600 mid-year was food for mid-year meeting.

#### Budget, Finance & Membership Report –

- Treasurer will create the budget; Christine will develop that in the future.
- 2015-2016 167 active member, 87 life members, 3 complimentary memberships (Dr. Place, Dr. Mukhtar, and Dr. Obreza.
- Ron Rice made the motion to accept, Wendy Wilber seconded the motion.
- Keith Gouin could provide an update for the foundation balance. Shuffitt will find this out for our group for the next meeting.

#### **Old Business**

#### 2016 PILD Conference – Wendy Wilber & Mark Shuffitt

- Wendy was enthusiastic about the visit to Capitol Hill for PILD and being able to encourage continued support of Extension. It's a good opportunity for FACAA leadership.
- Effective time—Jack Payne's political delegation was also there; she wants to do a better job of coordinating efforts.
  - o Matt Benge coordinated the visits this past year.
  - o Shuffitt wants us to coordinate with Jack Payne's delegation and what their message is, maybe we could have other talking points.
  - Other delegations from Florida were there, so there were a lot of friendly faces.

#### 2016 FAC/Country Store – Wendy Wilber

- This year it was in Orlando, and the booth was very successful. Quite a "goody bag" and positive time to meet with our county partners.
- 2017- It will be in Palm Beach. June 27-30. Info/Requests will be sent out by Bridget.
- There are pictures, but Shuffitt is interested in knowing of a dollar estimate for the goodies.

#### Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Ron Rice

- Took place on August 23. It is an EPAF function but is coordinated by FACAA and Cindy Sanders.
- Ron encourages us to go so we can see to put it on; held at Austin Cary.
- Pat Hogue and Dan Fenneman were the steak cookers.
- Kim Rollins puts the invitee list together.
- There are a lot of pieces that come together.

#### Educational Foundation Update – Ron Rice

- Mid-year meeting- we discussed who received the scholarship.
- Priscilla Zelaya is the scholarship winner for FACAA Outstanding student. She works with Amy Harder
- Ron Rice would like us to look at our policies; the recipient is supposed to attend a official function.
- Doug Mayo has ideas on changing some policies
- Ron Rice submitted a copy of those eligible for FACAA scholarship; Jennifer Bearden has posted on the website; Shuffitt will make an announcement at the general meeting for people to look and see if they are on the listed. You have to have your \$100 donation in to qualify and be eligible for FACAA scholarship. People can still submit a check, it should be made payable to the foundation, but it will be sent to Christine for her to keep a first line of records.
- We have an NACAA scholarship fund too-Sheila Dunning is the chair for this committee.

#### 2016 NACAA AM/PIC Update (Little Rock, AR) – Libbie Johnson & Ron Rice

- Shuffitt said posters designed by campus looked great and encouraged us to use them.
- We have a lot of winners.

#### **New Business**

#### EPAF Board Announcements – Wendy Wilber

- Need to get out to the lobby at 2:40 to get on the bus to load up going to the speedway so we can do a lap; do a museum tour and a meal.
- We need ticket takers for Friends of Extension luncheon. Volunteers: James, Bridget, Jennifer, and Christine. Wednesday for lunch be there ½ hour before start time.
- DSA/AA winners need to congregate at 6:30 to get photos made.
- Hospitality room is open on Tuesday, Wed, Thursday, room 305 in the north tower, shutting down at 11.
- Two ISTs on Thursday cancelled: Amy Harder and Lara Milligan's are cancelled.
- EFAF will be shortened next year.
- Extension symposium is May 1-2, 2017 in Gainesville.
- Thursday morning breakfast—Wendy will ask general membership to fill those positions.

#### Nominating Committee Report (FACAA Officers & District Directors) – Ron Rice

- Past presidents made up this committee.
  - o Lindsey Wiggins will be our new Secretary.
  - O She has a short bio that Ron will read tomorrow.
  - New district directors.

- Julie McConnell and Mark Mauldin
- Mace Bauer and Luke Harlow
- Bonnie Wells and Bill Lester
- James McWhorter and Jonael Bosques
- Chris Miller and Quingren Wang

#### 2017 Mid-Year Meeting Update – Libbie Johnson

- Update on presentations
- Mace asked about Posters—we might try that for 2018.
- Wendy suggested that people who brought posters for Arkansas should be asked to bring their posters for our mid-year meeting.
- Gene McAvoy will share important dates with Libbie, Wendy, and Mace.

#### 2017 JCEP Leadership Conference – Mark Shuffitt

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• Get your abstracts submitted. It is a national meeting, so you will get national recognition if you are accepted.

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• Wendy and Bridget will be going in 2017.

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• Tabled the motion to make changes.

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

• Exploratory committee: Ron Rice, Libbie Johnson, Wendy Wilber, Gene McAvoy, Bob Hochmuth, and Liz Felter

#### NACAA Vice-President Candidate Gene McAvoy – Libbie Johnson

- Shuffitt wants us to get approval from the board:
  - Our FACAA board fully supports the candidacy of Gene McAvoy. At the general membership meeting, we will share our support and ask the FACAA membership if they would be willing to put forth a motion to provide financial support from FACAA for \$2500, seconded by Ron Rice. There was unanimous support by the board.

Review agenda items (FACAA Membership Meeting) – FACAA Board

James made the point that the FACAA map doesn't correspond with other maps.

Mark is encouraged about the leadership team, proud of Sharon Fox Gamble for getting the tours listed as IST

Adjourn: 2:40

Respectfully submitted by Libbie Johnson



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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

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

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

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

Presentation of the Gavel

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**Invocation** – Ron Rice

**Introductions**: New Members / First-Time Attendees are people are denoted by the \* next to the names above.

**Reading & Disposal of Minutes** (Mid-Year FACAA Membership Meeting) – Minutes were shared by Libbie Johnson; minutes had been emailed prior to the meeting and 15 hard copies were available to the membership to review during the meeting. Ed Jennings made the motion to accept and Dan Fenneman seconded, and the motion to accept the minutes was passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Christine Kelly-Begazo shared her report.

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Liz Felter made motion to accept the treasurer's report, Bob Hochmuth seconded, and the motion passed.

#### **Membership Report:**

Membership report was made by Christine K. Begazo. FACAA currently has 167 active members, 87 life members, and 3 complimentary members. Dr. Place, Dr. Obreza, and Dr. Mukhtar are the complimentary members. Motion to approve the membership report was made by Gene McAvoy, seconded by Frank Dowdle and the motion was passed.

# **Audit Report**

Joe Walter presented his Audit Report. The financial records of the Association were reviewed by the audit committee through June 30, 2016. The Quickens 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 Lollar 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.

#### Dr. Place addressed the FACAA membership.

- Appreciated the complimentary membership
- Encouraged active membership as part of the FACAA
- Had a meeting with CEDs and is interested in talking about recent discussions with Florida Farm Bureau.
  - o Conversation with Farm Bureau leadership about indirect costs
  - Occurrs about the relationship between F.B. and Extension at the county level in pockets across the state.
  - He has planned listening sessions in each of the 5 districts starting in November, Invitations will go out to Farm Bureau members and other ag commodities interested in having a conversation.
  - Wants to engage DEDs, CEDs, ag/hort agents to participate in the dialogue by attending the most convenient location.
  - o It's a two sided conversation, but we need to hear their concerns.
  - Dr. Place thinks we have a good partnership at the state level but he wants us to reach out to the Farm bureau folks at the local level to help us understand their needs of IFAS Extension
    - Nov. 21: Palm Beach County at 8-10 am
    - Nov. 21: DeSoto county, 1:30 to 3:30
    - Nov. 30: Washington County 8-10 am
    - Nov. 30: Columbia 3-5 pm
    - Dec. 1: Citra REC 9-11 am
  - Shuffitt encouraged the membership to share this information with all of the agents who are not at the FACAA membership meeting.
  - Anita Neal asked us to send out all the dates/times to everyone so that way people might be able to go to the one most useful to the participants.
  - o Anyone can come, anyone can be part of the conversation
  - Kevin Morgan (Farm Bureau) is going to the facilitator and Staci Braswell (Farm Bureau) will take notes at all of these meetings.
- Bob Hochmuth has been doing some legwork to figure out how RSAs can be more active at the county level. Bob thinks some Farm Bureaus may not want agents to come to their monthly meetings. We need clarification on what is wanted.
- Mike Sweat said they attend the monthly meetings, county annual meetings, and he attends F.B. state meeting. He encourages sharing more with FCS and 4-H.

- Laurie Hurner said that each county agent gets to go to at least one F.B. meeting during the year—they rotate through the agents and everyone gets to meet.
- Jonael is an ex-officio member and is connecting with YF&R'ers in his county.
- Les Harrison has served as an ex-officio member and helped select Farm Family.
- Christine Kelly Begazo said F.B. is more prevalent in strong ag communities and that urban counties might not have a strong F.B. presence. Regardless, it's good to have 4-H agents go to meetings as well as ag/hort agents.
- Joe Walter has been F.B. president. He said he was told he couldn't belong to the county F.B. board; Dr. Place doesn't think we should be on the board but can serve as an exofficio.
- Bob H said we might not see an immediate benefit, but over time, it can prove to be fruitful.
- Gene said it's all about community involvement. Show that you care and are a part of the community.
- Karen Stauderman says that working with F.B. has helped her professionally.
- FACAA District directors were encouraged to send those dates out to all the Ag/Hort agents throughout the state.

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

- Jerry Brown is our Southern Region NACAA director from Boone County- he's close to Cincinnati.
- Has been in Extension 20 years.
- Purpose of NACAA: help us Extension professionals to improve our status in the job, to
  encourage professional improvement, and to provide an exchange of ideas among our
  membership.
- Great meeting in July in Little Rock. Had 1030 people in attendance.
- At the delegate session, we chose Virginia as the 2020 location.
- Current NACAA leadership: President Mark Nelson (Utah), President Elect Allan Galloway (TN), Vice President Richard Fechter (KS), Secretary Matt Herring (MO), and Treasurer Wes Smith (GA)
- Congratulated DSA and AA winners, national winners and finalists.
- Asked to try to bring in more national sponsors for the national meeting. He shared the incentives.
- He encouraged more committee membership; NACAA is trying to get better tie in with our state committees. We are looking for ways to improve the flow of information. Get on a state or national committees- find something you are interested in.
- NACAA scholarship- donate \$40 and you eligible for \$1000. Donate \$100 and you are eligible for \$2000 of scholarship funds.
- He reminded us that the State officers handbook is available online on the NACAA website.
- Diversity committee is trying to make the association more relevant for the changing demographics.

- Webinars, google hangouts, social media are some ways to be more useful for the modern agent.
- Florida in 2023 will be nominating someone for southern region leadership; Jerry thinks it is the best job in NACAA.
- Future meetings will be held in Salt Lake City, Chattanooga, Fort Wayne, and Virginia Beach.
- JCEP will be in Orlando in Feb in 2017; PILD in Crystal City will be April 2-5.
- Check out the NACAA website for all of your applications and for more information.

#### **Old Business**

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

- Jennifer will post the annual report on the website; Jonael did the artwork. Appreciation for the good work of both.
- Bridget encouraged everyone to get your committee reports in on time.
- FACAA Policy Recommendations—Chaired by Doug Mayo. Recommendations made by Doug and Gene McAvoy
  - 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.

Motion to approve by Dan Fenneman, seconded by Liz felter. Passed.

#### **Committee Reports**

By-law changes—Dan Fenneman, chair

Article VI: Committees

Article VI Section 1: Vote to change extend to extent.

Section 1

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

Article VI Section 2: Replace the current verbiage in A) with the verbiage from 8/31/11 and delete it from Section 3.

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.

#### Section 3

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

Article VII Section 4: Vote to change fiscal year to July 1- June 30.

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

Motion to approve these by-law changes was made by Liz Felter seconded by Frank Dowdle, and the motion was passed.

#### **FAC/Country Store 2016** – Wendy Wilber

• June—set up in Orlando; this is an EPAF board function. Used to help connect with county commissioners/administrators with Extension.

• We have giveaway items—Ag Swag Bag, and some go away with large baskets for drawings.

#### **Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner** – Ron Rice

• EPAF function but FACAA coordinated the August 23 dinner. Shows our appreciation of them. Special thanks to Cindy Sanders, Becky Jordi for desserts, Mike Sweat, Dan Fenneman and Pat Hogue, Wendy Wilbur, Martha Maddox, Heather Janney, Brian Estevez, Will Sheftall, Mike Davis, Beth Shepherd, Judy Corbus all helped and worked.

#### **Educational Foundation Update** – Ron Rice

- We've had difficulties tracking donations, so now the checks go to Christine first and then to Christine. Checks need to be made to the University of Florida Foundation still, but sent to Christine.
- April 1<sup>st</sup> is the new deadline for submitting applications.
- We've gotten the money from Sunbelt Expo. Seek out Chip to tell him thank you.
- Breakfast is at 7:30.
- Outstanding student: Priscilla is here with us.

#### PILD Conference – Wendy Wilber & Mark Shuffitt

• Amazing opportunity to meet with elected officials and promote Extension.

#### Other updates:

- Shuffitt told Ed Jennings "Thank You" for encouraging him to serve on the FACAA board. Shuffitt feels that EPAF tours being counted as an IST and the return of in-person mid-year meetings as being a positive and is happy that he was a part of that changed. He believes that using FACAA in social media is another improvement.
- Jonael encouraged people to post more content on social media.
- Ron has helped clean up the list of the Educational Foundation.

**2016 NACAA AM/PIC Report** (Little Rock, AR) – Libbie Johnson. FACAA had a strong showing—many award winners, presenters both in abstracts and poster sessions. Hope we can build on that for 2017.

**FACAA Officer as EPAF Chair** (always from Northeast District 2) – Ron Rice & Mark Shuffitt EPAF Board does not seem to be willing to consider our request to allow past FACAA presidents to serve as EPAF chair during our rotation.

#### **New Business**

#### **EPAF Announcements** – Mark Shuffitt

Don't make special meal requests; it complicates matters and we have to pay extra.

#### **FAC/Country Store 2017** – Bridget Stice

• June 27-29 will be in West Palm Beach. She will solicit items- be on the lookout for emails.

#### **Sunbelt Ag Expo 2016** – Ron Rice/Mark Mauldin

• Still need help; contact Mark Mauldin if you can help—especially if you are a livestock agent.

#### **2017 Mid-Year Meeting Update** – Libbie Johnson

• 2017 Mid-Year meeting will be short—directly after Symposium ends and will be held at the Farm Bureau building. More details to come.

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

- Feasability study will be done. More information will be given at mid-year meeting.
- Motion to move forward was Jonael, seconded by Bob. All approved. Unanimously approved to move forward with the feasibility study.

#### NACAA Vice-President Candidate Gene McAvoy – Libbie Johnson

- Gene McAvoy (Hendry County) will run for NACAA VP in Salt Lake City in 2017.
- Laurie Hurner made the motion to support with \$2500, Lindsey Wiggins seconded for supporting Gene.
- Liz encouraged more monetary support and donation.
- Bob pledged \$500 for support of Gene.

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

- District Directors:
  - Julie McConnell and Mark Mauldin
  - Mace Bauer and Luke Harlow
  - Bonnie Wells and Bill Lester
  - James McWhorter and Jonael Bosques
  - Chris Miller and Quingren Wang

Doug Made the motion, Nistler seconded. Approve.

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

• Lindsey Wiggins will be the next FACAA secretary Liz made the motion to approve, Gene seconded. Approved.

Presentation of the Gavel **Adjourn** 

Submitted by Libbie Johnson



# **FACAA Winter Board Meeting**

Remotes sites

Polycom or phone in conference

Conference ID 7834020 phone in 352 273 4999 ID 7834020

December 9<sup>th</sup> 2016

10-11:30 am



# Agenda

Call to Order – Wendy Wilber
Invocation – Mark Shuffitt
Reading & Disposal of Minutes – Libbie Johnson
Treasurer's Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo
Budget, Finance & Membership Report – Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### **Old Business**

2017 JCEP/PILD Conferences – Wendy Wilber

JCEP 8-9 February 2017 Orlando, FL (Double Tree Hilton)

PILD 2-5 April 2017 Crystal City, VA Hyatt Regency

2017 FAC/Country Store – June 27-30 Palm Beach County Bridget Stice

Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Mark Shuffitt

2017 NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City Libbie Johnson & Ron Rice

#### **New Business**

Freedom of Information request Legal issue, Wendy Wilber Christine Kelly Begazo

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

#### Adjourn



# FACAA Board Meeting Minutes December 9, 2016 at 10:00am Phone Conference

The meeting was called to order by President Wendy Wilber with Mark Mauldin, Gene McAvoy, Qingren Wang, Jonael Bosquez, James McWhorter, Bonnie Wells, Libbie Johnson, Lindsey Wiggins, Luke Harlow, Christine Kelly-Begazo, and Nick Simmons in attendance.

**Invocation** – Lindsey Wiggins

**Minutes** – Jonael moved to approve. James seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's report** – The below report includes amendments discussed during the meeting: Reporting Period: 6/30/16-12/2/16

Beginning Checking Account Balance (6/30/16)		\$22,650.33
<b>Total Saving Account Balance (6/30/16)</b>		\$12,656.10
Income		
FACAA Membership Dues	\$3,400.00	
Sub-Total		\$26,050.33
Expenses		
FACAA Scholarship (White-ck#791)	\$500.00	
Awards (Sporting Chance-ck#792)	\$2,123.85	
UF (Adobe-ck#793)	\$100.00	
FACAA Student Award (Prisilla Zelaya-ck#794)	\$500.00	
FACAA Young Professional Award (Vanessa Campoverde-ck#795)	\$100.00	
Fee for Paper Statement from bank (Sept-Oct-Nov)	\$ 9.00	
Total Expenses	\$3,332.85	

**Total Checking Account Balance – 12/2/16** 

\$22,717.48

**Savings Account Balance – 12/2/16** 

\$12,658.76

Interest Income \$2.66

#### **Old Business:**

2017 JCEP & PILD Conferences

Wendy encouraged agents to attend JCEP on February 8-9 in Orlando and announced that she and Bridget Stice will be attending PILD April 2-5 in Crystal City, VA.

#### 2017 FAC Country Store

Wendy encouraged agents to start considering items to donate for this function, which is June 27-30 in Palm Beach County. Wendy also suggested that inquiries regarding the 2017 FAC Country store be directed to Bridget Stice.

Jonael suggested having a monitor or TV at the Country Store with a slide show of agents in action with county, labeled pictures. The board agreed this is an excellent idea – so start collecting photos for this project. Jonael will arrange for a TV or monitor to be present and will compile the slide show.

# Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner

This event will be held at the Austin Carey August 15, 2017. Wendy encouraged agents to attend and assist.

#### 2017 NACAA AM/PIC

This event will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah July 9-13, 2017. 2017 EPAF

This event will be held at the Sanibel Harbor Marriott August 28-31, 2017.

#### 2017 FACAA Membership

Applications are due by December 31, 2016.

Christine will send Wendy a list of agents that have already paid, which Wendy and Lindsey will forward to the membership along with the application to remind folks to pay. Jonael encouraged district directors to interact with the agents in their area and suggested having district FACAA meetings, which could include a fishing trip or other networking opportunities.

#### **New Business:**

#### Freedom of Information Request

Joel Chandler requested that FACAA provide him with records regarding Alachua County memberships. Requests were made in Spring of 2016 and were not met within 3 months so has filed suit against the FACAA. (The records he requested have since been provided). UF will not represent FACAA; however, Wendy has contacted an attorney, Jose Moreno and he is representing the association for free – for now. His goal is to get the case dismissed because we should not be subject to "Freedom of Information" since we are not government. Our by-laws may dictate that we have to provide the requested records.

The board suggested changing the by-laws to protect FACAA from being subject to this in the future. Wendy will follow-up with Tom Obreza and the FACAA by-law committee.

# 2017 Mid Year Meeting Update

The FACAA mid-year meeting will be April 19<sup>th</sup> from noon – 4:00pm at the Farm Bureau bldg. in Gainesville. Lunch will be provided so don't sign up for lunch during the symposium.

Libbie will arrange for a Utah representative to attend/teleconference the mid-year meeting to discuss the 2017 NACAA AM/PIC.

Board members and district directors should encourage FACAA members to attend this mid-year meeting.

#### Bid for Hosting NACAA AM/PIC 2022

Libbie reported that the Summer of 2022 is the date FACAA would like to host; however, Summer 2024 is the backup date. FACAA membership will vote at the 2017 EPAF conference to determine if the conference will indeed be held in Florida; should the FACAA vote be in favor of hosting the AM/PIC the bid presentation will be made at the 2018 AM/PIC in Chattanooga, TN and FACAA work will begin in 2019.

Helms Briscoe (global event planner) representative Patty Richburg will join forces with FACAA to pull of this potential meeting. The new AM/PIC manual will be available at the FACAA mid-year meeting.

Location ideas include: Orlando, Palm Beach, Daytona, Miami, Fort Myers, Tallahassee, or Marco Island.

# of workers and fundraising needed for the event: 30-40 people is ideal, but other AM/PIC's have been executed with less. \$250,000 - \$300,000 will need to be raised. Mitigation of expenses: NACAA covers the cost of transportation for tours and programs. Some hotels and visitor bureaus may cover transportation expenses from airport to meeting facility.

Direct all questions and ideas to the exploratory committee – Libbie Johnson and Ron Rice.

#### NACAA Vice-President Candidate: Gene McAvoy

Libbie reported that she loves<sup>3</sup> Gene McAvoy. FACAA will put money towards Gene's fundraising efforts. Workers will be needed for the hospitality rooms at the upcoming

AM/PIC's to promote Gene and his campaign. An official announcement will be made at the 2017 JCEP meeting after which the campaign can officially kick-off!

Wendy and Lindsey will draft a letter to the NACAA in support of Gene's candidacy by January 5, 2017.

Next FACAA Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 (Supper meeting during the Symposium) *Submitted by Lindsey Wiggins* 



# **FACAA Mid-Year Board Meeting**

April 18th, 2017





#### Agenda

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Call to Order – Wendy Wilber
Invocation – Mark Shuffitt
Roll Call (Officers & District Directors) – Lindsey Wiggins
Reading & Disposal of Minutes (December 2016 Board Meeting, polycom) – Lindsey Wiggins
Treasurer's Report & FACAA Membership Update – Christine Kelly-Begazo

#### Old Business:

- Joint Council of Extension Professionals and PILD Meetings Wendy Wilber & Bridget Stice & Mark Shuffitt
- FACAA Educational Foundation Update Mark Shuffit

#### New Business:

- Sponsorship request for 2017 NACAA AM/PIC; Tennessee Ag Agents Wendy Wilber
- FACAA Educational Foundation Update (Rules) Mark Shuffitt
- Mid-Year FACAA Members Meeting (April 18<sup>th</sup>, Farm Bureau Bldg. Gainesville) Libbie Johnson
- NACAA AM/PIC States Night Out Bridget Stice July 9-13<sup>th</sup> 2017 Salt Lake City
- Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Conference Bridget Stice June 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> West Palm Beach Hilton
- EPAF 2016 (including FACAA Tour Update) Wendy Wilber Sanibel Harbour Marriott Fort Myers August 28<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup>, 2017
- Public information lawsuit status
- Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner Mark Shuffitt
- AM/PIC Exploratory Committee update
- Gene McAvoy NACAA VP campaign committee update

#### Committee Reports (briefs for the board)

- Recognition and Awards –Wendy Wilber and Bridget Stice
- Professional Excellence
- New Member Relations
- Public Relations
- Ag Economics
- Animal Science
- Horticulture
- Communications
- Extension Programs
- 4-H & Youth
- Public Relations

- Scholarships
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Early Career Development
- Teaching and Educational Technology
- Administrative Liaison

# Other Business:

- Next FACAA Board Meeting (at EPAF Ft. Myers ... Monday August 28, 2017 11:00am 1pm)
- FACAA General Meeting Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:00 pm Sanibel Harbour Marriott, Ft. Myers FL

# Adjourn



# FACAA Board Meeting Minutes April 18, 2017 Chuy's Restaurant



The meeting was called to order by President Wendy Wilber, with Julie McConnell, Bonnie Wells, Bridget Stice, Libbie Johnson, Lindsey Wiggins, Mark Shuffitt, Luke Harlow, Jennifer Bearden, Christine Kelly-Begazo, Mace Bauer, and special guest Gene McAvoy in attendance.

**Invocation** – Mark Shuffitt

Minutes – Libbie moved to approve. Bridget seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's report** – As presented:

**Total Saving Account Balance (4/1/17)** 

Reporting Period: 7/1/16 - 4/1/17

<b>Beginning Checking Account Balance (7/1/16)</b>		\$22,644.31
<u>Income</u>		
Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition, Inc.	\$ 750.00	
States Night Out	1,070.93	
Farm Credit (Young Professional Award)	500.00	
Wharf Restaurants, Inc (deposit refund)	200.00	
EPAF Auction	1,467.42	
PayPal (membership fees)	4,998.50	
FACAA (membership dues)	9,550.00	
Campaign-G. McAvoy	390.00	
Sub-Total	\$18,926.85	
<u>Expenses</u>		
Agriculture Development Council (NACAA AM/PIC sponsorship)	\$ 3,000.00	
Cajun's Wharf (2016 State's Night Out deposit)	200.00	
Cajun's Wharf (2016 State's Night Out)	1,342.65	
Shawn Steed (\$200 Award for spouse minus States dinner)	137.35	
Celeste White (FACAA Scholarship)	500.00	
Sporting Chance (Awards)	2,123.85	
University of Florida (Adobe)	100.00	
Prisilla Zelaya (FACAA Student Award)	500.00	
Vanessa Campoverde (FACAA Young Professional Award)	100.00	
Vanessa Campoverde (JCEP travel reimbursement)	300.00	
NACAA (membership dues)	8,200.00	
EPAF 2016 (hotel & misc)	319.00	
David Ellis	1970.00	
CampusUSA (fee for paper statement Sept16-Mar17*)	21.00	
Campaign-G. McAvoy	2890.00	
Sub-Total Expenses	\$21,703.85	
<b>Total Checking Account Balance – 4/1/17</b>	\$19,867.31	
<b>Beginning Saving Account Balance (7/1/16)</b>	\$12,656.10	
Interest Income \$4.76		
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\$12,660.86

\*Wendy Wilbur's email account was hacked and enabled the hacker to request treasurer Christine Kelly-Begazo write a check for \$1,970, which is being investigated.

Discussion was made to change the procedure for check requests to an email followed by phone call.

Membership: 160 members; 3 complimentary memberships (Obreza, Place, and Muhktar); 91 life members = 254 total.

Bridget moved to approve the financial statement. Libbie seconded. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business:**

#### 2017 JCEP & PILD Conferences

Gene was presented as the NACAA Vice President candidate at JCEP. Bridget and Mark attended PILD and reported that it was a great leadership/professional development opportunity. (Libbie, Bridget, Wendy and Gene will attend the 2018 PILD Conference).

#### **Educational Foundation**

10 applicants will each be awarded \$500.

Mark reported that the application will be changed and the minimum scholarship amount has been increased to \$1,000/person/year.

The endowment fund has approximately \$158,000 in it and generates approximately \$6,000 interest/year.

#### 2017 FAC Country Store

June 28-29 in Palm Beach. There will be 3 booth spaces and donations are still needed. Bridget will request donations from the other extension associations as well.

#### Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner

This event will be held at the Austin Carey August 15, 2017.

#### Freedom of Information Request

Joel Chandler requested that FACAA provide him with records regarding Alachua County memberships. Requests were made in Spring of 2016 and were not met within 3 months so has filed suit against the FACAA. (The records he requested have since been provided). Jose, the attorney representing FACAA, suggested that Joel has dropped the case. Mark suggested a gift card as a token of the FACAA's appreciation.

# 2017 Mid Year Meeting

The FACAA mid-year meeting will be April  $19^{th}$  from noon -4:00pm at the Farm Bureau bldg. in Gainesville. Libbie requested that the board encourage members to travel quickly from the Symposium to the Farm Bureau building. 70 people are expected.

#### 2017 NACAA AM/PIC

Salt Lake City, Utah July 9-13, 2017. Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> is State's Night Out at Lamb's Grill.

# **2017 EPAF**

This event will be held at the Sanibel Harbor Marriott August 28-31, 2017. Monday night will be at the Edison House. Board members should encourage members to submit abstracts.

#### **New Business:**

#### 2018 NACAA AM/PIC

The Tennessee Association contacted Wendy to request financial support for the 7/29 – 8/2, 2018 meeting. Libbie moved to donate \$3,000 to the Tennessee Association. Bridget seconded. Motion passed.

#### Florida Hosting NACAA AM/PIC 2022

Libbie reported that planning committees are in place with chairs and co-chairs. This meeting will generate funds for FACAA.

Direct all questions and ideas to the exploratory committee – Libbie Johnson and Ron Rice.

NACAA Vice-President Candidate: Gene McAvoy

Gene needs funds for his campaign and help during the hospitality hour (July 9-10) in Salt Lake City, Utah. He will purchase gator pins to distribute and politic.

Next FACAA Board Meeting: Monday, August 28th 11:00 -1:00 for FACAA Officers and District Directors at Sanibel Harbor Marriott, during EPAF.

Submitted by Lindsey Wiggins



# **FACAA Mid-Year Meeting**

Wednesday April 19, 2017

# Florida Farm Bureau Federation Building

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



# Agenda

#### 1:00 Call to Order - Wendy Wilber

Invocation – Mark Shuffitt Roll Call – Lindsey Wiggins

 $Reading \ \& \ Disposal \ of \ Minutes \ (2016 \ Membership \ Meeting \ at \ EPAF \ 2016) - Lindsey \quad Wiggins$ 

Treasurer's Report & FACAA membership Update - Christine K. Begazo

Introduction of New FACAA members - FACAA District Directors

Welcome and Address from Florida Farm Bureau – Kevin Morgan

FACAA Educational Foundation Update - Mark Shuffitt and Ron Rice

#### 1:30 Committee Reports

Agronomy & Pest Management – Mace Bauer Animal Science – Jonael Bosques Natural Resources/Aquaculture – Sheila Dunning Administration Skills Development – Laurie Hurner

Early Career Development - Libbie Johnson

4-H and Youth – Christa Kirby Professional Excellence – Martha Glenn Recognition and Awards – Bridget Stice Search for Excellence – Shawn Steed FACAA Life Member – Karen Stauderman Horticulture and Turfgrass – Grantly Ricketts Sustainable Agriculture – Mary Beth Henry Agricultural Issues & Public Relations – Chris Prevatt

**Teaching & Educational Technologies – Nicole** 

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Communications – Blake Thaxton Public Relations – David Nistler Scholarship – David Austin

**Ag Economics & Community Development – Chris** 

**Prevatt** 

#### 2:15 FACAA State Committee

Administration Liaison – Ed Skvarch Constitution and By-Laws-Dan Fenneman Policy and Resolution-Doug Mayo Audit-Joe Walter FACAA Membership-Martha Glenn Budget and Finance – Christine Kelly-Begazo Educational Foundation & Professional Development-Mark Shuffitt New Member Relations-Brooke Moffis

#### 2:35 New Business

Presentation of FACAA Scholarship to Lendel Narine

Invitation to NACAA AM/PIC 2017 (Salt Lake City, July 9-13) and States Night Out – Bridget Stice Florida Association of Counties Conference/Country Store (Palm Beach County Convention Center – June 27-30) – Bridget Stice

EPAF 2017 Update (including Tour information) –Sanibel Harbour Marriott Resort & Spa, August 28-31, 2017 – Wendy Wilber

Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner – Mark Shuffitt

Website Update (and FACAA ListServe) – Jennifer Bearden

Letter from Tennessee for 2018 AMPIC- Wendy Wilber

#### 3:20 Other Business

Update from the AM/PIC Exploratory Committee – Libbie Johnson and Ron Rice

NACAA Vice-President Candidate – Gene McAvoy Next FACAA membership Meeting at EPAF—Sanibel Island Adjourn



# FACAA Mid-Year Membership Meeting (Symposium)

Florida Farm Bureau Headquarters Gainesville, Florida Wednesday, April 19, 2017 Noon – 4:00 pm



#### **Minutes**

Call to Order – Wendy Wilbur

Present: Evan Anderson, Kevin Athearn, Mace Bauer, Jennifer Bearden, Lauren Butler, Ethan Carter, Clay Cooper, Denise DeBusk, Terry DelValle, Frank Dowdle, Liz Felter, Dan Fenneman, Larry Figart, Terra Freeman, Jane Griffin, Erin Harlow, Luke Harlow, Mary Beth Henry, Wayne Hobbs, Bob Hocmuth, David Holmes, Molly Jameson, Ed Jennings, Libbie Johnson, Christine Kelly, Christa Kirby, Alicia Lamborn, Colleen Larson, Daniel Leonard, Bill Lester, Matt Lollar, Martha Maddox, Mark Mauldin, Doug Mayo, Gene McAvoy, Julie McConnell, Chris Miller, Brooke Moffis, Matthew Orwat, Eva Pabon, Juanita Poenoe, Ron Rice, Grantly Ricketts, Carolyn Saft, Cindy Sanders, Mark Shuffitt, Nick Simmons\*, Ed Skavarch, Shawn Steed, Carrie Stevenson, Bridget Stice, Jessica Sullivan, Mike Sweat, Mark Tancig, Blake Thaxton, Patrick Troy, Matt Van Weelden, Kalyn Waters, Bonnie Wells, DJ Wiggins, Lindsey Wiggins, Larry Williams, Tim Wilson, Hannah Wooten, Keith Wynn, Mark Warren, Jim DeValerio, Tatiana Sandof, Aaron Stam

**Invocation** – Mark Shuffitt

**Introductions**: New Members / First-Time Attendees are people are denoted by the \* next to the names above.

**Special Guest:** Kevin Morgan with Florida Farm Bureau (FFB) spoke to address the great relationship IFAS and Farm Bureau have.

- Communication between the two entities will be better in the future.
- The Indirect Cost charge is an issue for producers.
- He would like to see FFB and IFAS partner on more projects.
- Kevin reported that the 4-H dues structure has been an issue for FFB members.
- Extension Professional of the Year Award Each County Farm Bureau office can nominate an agent.

**Minutes** (FACAA Membership Meeting @ EPAF) – Minutes were shared by Libbie Johnson; minutes had been emailed prior to the meeting. Liz Felter made the motion to accept and Gene McAvoy seconded, and the motion to accept the minutes was passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – As presented:

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Beginning Checking Account Balance (7/1/16)	\$22,644.31
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Sub-Total \$18,926.85	2,0100
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Sub-Total Expenses	\$21,703.85
Total Checking Account Balance – 4/1/17 Beginning Saving Account Balance (7/1/16)	\$19,867.31 \$12,656.10

Interest Income \$4.76

# Total Saving Account Balance (4/1/17) \$12,660.86

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Frank Dowdle made motion to accept the treasurer's report, Liz Felter seconded, and the motion passed.

# **Membership Report:**

Membership report was made by Christine K. Begazo. FACAA currently has 160 active members, 91 life members, and 3 complimentary members. Dr. Place, Dr. Obreza, and Dr. Mukhtar are the complimentary members.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# **Committee Reports:**

#### \* Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Two changes were voted on and approved during our Annual Association meeting on Tuesday, September 27, 2016.

1) Article VI: Committees

Article VI Section 1: Voted to change extend to extent.

Section 1

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

2) Article VII: Financial Affairs

Article VII Section 4: Voted to change fiscal year to July 1- June 30.

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

Motion to approve these by-law changes was made by Liz Felter seconded by Frank Dowdle, and the motion was passed.

#### \* Early Career Development & New Member Relations Committee

The Early Career Development and New Member Relations Committees jointly offered a 2 hour workshop on February 21 for newer FACAA members to help with award applications, poster and abstract submissions, and to understand the role of FACAA/NACAA in their professional development. The workshop was offered through Zoom; more than 15 people participated. The session was recorded and we are working to get it condensed and posted on our FACAA webpage.

#### \* Animal Science Committee

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#### \* Public Relations Committee

Chair: David Nistler, Members: Gene McAvoy, Paulette Tomlinson, Jim Davis

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#### \* Excellence in 4-H Programming Committee

We had a total of 4 applicants for the Excellence in 4-H Programming Award. We are pleased to announce that Sonja Crawford has won the state contest with her submission entitled Florida 4-H Tailgate Contest. Her team members were Brian Estevez, Dr. Chad Carr, Mark Maudlin, Ed Jennings, Jean Hink, Heather Janney, Paula Davis, and George Baker. Congratulations.

# \* Agronomy and Pest Management

National Agronomy and Pest Management Committee requested oral presentations in the area of "Pest Management for Non-GMO Crops" at the NACAA AM/PIC. One committee member had an oral presentation selected in the A&PM section of the AM/PIC.

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Agronomy and Pest Management committee members welcome new Extension agents to shadow them for a day and learn on-the-job training from their more experienced colleagues. Members are also willing to provide mentorship and continuing support in the area of Agronomy and Pest Management. Any new agent is welcome to contact Committee Chair, Mace Bauer, and we will set them up with a committee member most aligned with their location, needs, or interest.

#### \* FACAA State Committee

Mark Shuffitt reported that 10 applicants will receive \$500. The application form will be amended and the minimum scholarship amount was increased to \$1,000/person/year. There is approximately \$158,000 in the endowment fund, which generates approximately \$6,000 annually.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **FACAA Scholarship**

Recipient Lendel Narine thanked the membership.

#### 2017 NACAA AM/PIC

Salt Lake City, Utah July 9-13, 2017. Tuesday, July 11th is State's Night Out at Lamb's Grill.

#### **2017 FAC Country Store**

June 28-29 in Palm Beach. There will be 3 booth spaces and donations are still needed. Bridget will request donations from the other extension associations as well.

#### **EPAF**

This event will be held at the Sanibel Harbor Marriott August 28-31, 2017. Monday night will be at the Edison House. The Dean will supply \$350 to mitigate registration fees. Abstracts are due on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Register for tours on the PDEC site.

#### Farm Bureau Appreciation Dinner

This event will be held at the Austin Carey August 15, 2017.

#### Website

New members should email Jennifer Bearden their contact information so they can be added to the FACAA listerve.

#### 2018 NACAA AM/PIC

Mike Sweat moved that FACAA give \$3,000 to the Tennessee Association. Gene McAvoy seconded. Motion passed.

#### 2022 NACAA AM/PIC to be hosted in Florida

Libbie reported that planning committees are in place with chairs and co-chairs. Libbie will be the chair and Shawn Steed will co-chair.

Members discussed the benefits to the association and professional development of the 2004 NACAA meeting. This meeting will generate funds for FACAA. Cindy Sanders moved that FACAA put in a bid at the 2018 NACAA AM/PIC. Martha Maddox seconded. Motion passed.

Direct all questions and ideas to the exploratory committee – Libbie Johnson and Ron Rice.

# NACAA Vice-President Candidate: Gene McAvoy

Gene needs funds for his campaign and help during the hospitality hour (July 9-10) in Salt Lake City, Utah. He will purchase gator pins to distribute and politic. Doug Mayo encouraged all agents to contribute to Gene's campaign.

Next meeting date: Monday, August  $28^{th}$  from 3:30-5:00pm at the EPAF conference hotel Sanibel Harbor Marriott.

Submitted by Lindsey Wiggins



# Section IIIa National Committee Reports

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

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

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

Chris Prevatt, CHAIR Hardee <a href="mailto:prevacg@ufl.edu">prevacg@ufl.edu</a>

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

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

Mace Bauer, CHAIR Columbia mgbauer@ufl.edu

Members of the Agronomy and Pest Management Committee continue to excel in their programming and their career.

In 2017, member recognition included:

Oral presentations at the NACAA AM/PIC in the Agronomy and Pest Management Section

Several Applied Research and Extension Programming posters at NACAA AM/PIC

National Finalist Search for Excellence in Farm Health and Safety

Promotion from Regional Specialized Agent to State Specialized Agent

National Finalist Communication Awards from NACAA in the Feature Story category

3rd Place Poster in Applied Research at the NACAA AM/PIC

Several committee members will be presenting their Extension work at the 2017 EPAF Conference

#### **Animal Science**

Jonael Bosques, CHAIR Hardee jonael@ufl.edu

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#### **Horticulture & Turfgrass**

Grantly Ricketts, CHAIR Osceola gricketss@ufl.edu

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

# Natural Resources/Aquaculture

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

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.

No Florida applications were submitted to Search for Excellence in Natural Resources Awards committee. The NACAA Natural Resources Committee worked with FACAA Secretary, Libbie Johnson, and Utah Extension personnel to offer a Natural Resources pre-tour for the NACAA AM/PIC in Salt Lake City, Utah on July 7-9, 2017. Nineteen agents from across the country met with six UF agents in Las Vegas, NV and enjoyed a three-day interpretive tour of the area National Parks, wildlife preserves and restoration sites on the way to the NACAA AM/PIC in Salt Lake City, UT.

Discussion of webinar development on invasive topics continues.

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**

Mary Beth Henry, CHAIR Polk mbhenry@ufl.edu

There were no Florida Applicants for the SARE Fellows program. An idea was proposed to link this committee with EPAF board in soliciting local foods to be featured at at least one meal at EPAF every year. This year's EPAF is already developing that linkage via the chef at Babcock Ranch, so this may be an effort to pursue in future years of EPAF.

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

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

# **Administrative Skills**

Laurie Hurner, CHAIR Highlands <a href="mailto:lhurner@ufl.edu">lhurner@ufl.edu</a>

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

# **Agricultural Issues & Public Relations**

James McWhorter, CHAIR Highlands jcm033@ufl.edu

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

#### **Early Career Development**

Libbie Johnson, CHAIR Escambia libbiej@ufl.edu

On Feb. 21, Early Career Development and New Member Relations Committee partnered to electronically offer the New Members Update Meeting. The agenda covered

Writing a Quality Abstract (Brooke Moffis, Lake County Extension), Award Opportunities (Libbie Johnson, Escambia County Extension), Excellence in 4-H and Youth and Ag Awareness and Appreciation Award (Libbie), Search for Excellence (Shawn Steed, Hillsborough County), Communications Awards (Julie McConnell, Bay County), Entering a Poster for AMPIC (Nicole Pinson, Hillsborough County), Presenting at NACAA AM/PIC & Early Career Development Committee: Nick Simmons (National Committee Chair for Early Career Development), How to Upload Your Submissions to the NACAA site (Libbie Johnson, Escambia County), a message from our NACAA Southern Region chair (Jerry Brown, University of Kentucky Extension), and What to Expect at AMPIC (Libbie and Brooke).

Nick Simmons will take over as Early Career Development Chair in 2017-2018.

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

Nicole Pinson, CHAIR Hillsborough nicolepinson@ufl.edu

The Educational Technology Committee Co-Chairs Wayne Hobbs and Nicole Pinson both attended the Educational Technologies sessions at the NACAA conference in Salt Lake City for ideas to implement in Florida. Wayne and Nicole created a Qualtrics survey sent out to FACAA membership on July 17, 2017. Responses will help determine agents' training needs with regard to educational technology and priorities. Matt Lollar will help coordinate with the NACAA National Chair of Training and Educational Technologies. The three-question survey can be found

at: https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_bIUpfChYDNIyAE5.

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

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

# 4-H and Youth

Christa Kirby, CHAIR Manatee <a href="mailto:ccarlson@ufl.edu">ccarlson@ufl.edu</a>

S.C. Crawford, B. Estevez, C. Carr, M. Mauldin, E. Jennings, J. Hink, H. Janney, P. Davis, G. Baker Search for Excellence in 4-H Programming Southern Region Winner

# **Communications**

Blake Thaxton, CHAIR Santa Rosa bthaxton@ufl.edu

Julie McConnell, CO-CHAIR Bay <u>juliebmcconnell@ufl.edu</u>

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Promotional Piece	12	William Lester**		X	
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Feature Story	9	Bonnie C. Wells		X	
Newsletter					X
Individual	4	Susan Haddock			
Newsletter Team		Matthew			
	3	Orwat***			
Video					
Presentation	9	Doug L. Caldwell			
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Publication	11	Evan Anderson	X		
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#### **Professional Excellence**

Martha GlennChairManateemglenn7@ufl.eduNicole PinsonCo-ChairHillsboroughnicolepinson@ufl.edu

The Professional Excellence Committee encourages members to showcase their work by submitting an abstract for the poster session that is held at the NACAA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference June 9 - 13, 2017, Salt Lake City, UT.

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:

http://www.nacaa.com/posters/scorecard.pdf

Two poster sessions were held at the AM/PIC on July 10<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>. The AM/PIC poster session provides an opportunity for authors to discuss with fellow members how they identified the educational or research need in their community and how the need was addressed and the observed results. This year, we had one poster submitted in the Applied Research category and fifteen posters submitted in the Extension Education category.

#### **State Winners**

Congratulations to our State winners:

**Bonnie C. Wells** (Applied Research)

DIGGING INTO THE POTENTIAL OF SWEET POTATO PRODUCTION IN THE TRI-COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AREA OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA

VanWeelden, M.T., F. Dowdle, and W.L. Schall (Extension Education)

OUTBREAK OF LOCALLY ACQUIRED ZIKA VIRUS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY—PALM BEACH COUNTY'S RESPONSE

Bonnie won 3<sup>rd</sup> place nationally in the Applied Research category.

Matthew won 3<sup>rd</sup> place nationally in the Extension Education category.

**Displayed Posters – Extension Education** 

Glenn, M. and M. Atkinson

3G FOCUS ON AGRICULTURAL CAREERS

Fox Gamble, S., J. Walter, D. Mudge, J. Bosques, M. Mann, F.M. Rivera-Melendez, and M. Warren

A CHANGE MAKER: SMALL FLOCK POULTRY PRODUCTION: A PROGRAM FOR CENTRAL FLORIDA PRODUCERS AND BACKYARD HOBBYIST

#### Hobbs, W.

A SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP EDUCATING AT-RISK STUDENTS LEADS TO PROGRAM EXPANSION AND SCHOOL-WIDE ENGAGEMENT

Davis, J.

FLORIDA-FRIENDLY FERTILIZING FOR NEW FLORIDA RESIDENTS

Moffis, B. and J. Popenoe

GREENHOUSE ORIENTATION AND MANUAL PROVIDES MISSION, STRUCTURE, AND EDUCATION TO MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS

Thaxton, B., L. Johnson, and J.B. Unruh

GULF COAST SMALL FARMS: CONNECTING SPECIALTY CROP PRODUCERS WITH CONSUMERS AND MAXIMIZING PRODUCTION PRACTICES

Bauer, M., W. Bartels, and K. Morgan

INTER-AGENCY PARTNERSHIPS: WHAT MAKES THEM WORK, WHAT MAKES THEM CHALLENGING, AND WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AS AN EXTENSION PROFESSIONAL Lamborn, A.

LEARNING LANDSCAPES: A VALUABLE TOOL FOR DEVELOPING SKILL SETS AND ADOPTING FLORIDA-FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING PRACTICES IN BAKER COUNTY Wells, B.C.

ROLE OF AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION IN DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY: A HURRICANE MATTHEW SUCCESS STORY

Leonard, D.J., B. Bolles, M. Derrick, E. Anderson, and C. Haney

SERVING OUR STAKEHOLDERS: AN ADVANCED MASTER GARDENER TRAINING SERIES ON CUSTOMER SERVICE AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

Rivera-Melendez, F.M. and J. Bosques

SMALL FARMS PORTABLE SOLAR HYDROPONIC GROWING SYSTEMS

Skvarch, E.A., E.V. Campoverde, and D. Farnsworth

SOUTH FLORIDA FINANCIAL WORKSHOPS FOR LANDSCAPE NURSERY AND SMALL AGRICULTURAL BUSINESSES

Steed, S., E.V. Campoverde, and D. Culbert

US AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION IN CENTRAL AMERICA: GUATEMALA CASE

Pinson, N.D. and L. Barber

YOUTH LEADERS CREATE SUSTAINABLE EXTENSION POLLINATOR GARDEN

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

# **Public Relations**

David Nistler, CHAIR Union <u>dnistler@ufl.edu</u>

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# **Recognition & Awards**

Bridget Stice, CHAIR Polk <u>bccarlis@ufl.com</u>

The FACAA Recognition and Awards Committee received nominations of five 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 in Salt Lake City, UT:

AA Winners -Alicia Lamborn, Baker County

Matt Lollar, Jackson County

Blake Thaxton, Santa Rosa County

DSA Winners -Sheila Dunning, Okaloosa County

> Ron Rice, Palm Beach County Lindsey Wiggins, Multi-County

The FACAA Recognition and Awards Committee received two excellent nominations for the 2016 Specialist of the Year Award, and three excellent nominations for Outstanding Agriculturalist Awards, and as per FACAA policy two Specialists of the Year, and four Outstanding Agriculturalist awards may be given, and the following were selected to receive these awards for 2017.

2017 Specialists of the Year -Dr. Danielle Treadwell, Associate Professor Horticultural

Sciences Department

Dr. Carissa Wickens, Assistant Professor Animal Sciences

Department

Mr. Tim Carpenter, Marion County – nominated by Bob 2017 Outstanding Agriculturalists -

Hochmuth

Mr. Cliff Coddington, Manatee County – nominated by Christa

Mr. Nate and Mrs. Anna Jameson, Sumter County – nominated by

Martha Maddox

Submitted by: Bridget Stice, Recognition and Awards Committee Chair on behalf of the entire 2017 Recognition and Awards Committee: Ed Skvarch, Teresa Olczyk, Christa Kirby, Sonja Crawford, David Holmes, Richard Tyson, Cindy Sanders, Larry Figart, Larry Williams and Alex Bolques.

#### **Scholarship**

David A. Austin, CHAIR Highlands davidaustin@ufl.edu

The NACAA offers financial support for professional development above and beyond what the FACAA offers. 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.

Members of the FACAA that have donated a minimum of \$40 to the NACAA scholarship fund before the prior year's NACAA convention (July 13th, 2016) are eligible to apply for up to a \$1000 per year scholarship and if they increase that donation to \$100 total they can qualify for another scholarship totaling \$2000 during a member's Extension career. Donations to the silent Auction at the Annual convention can also be counted toward being vested to receive a scholarship. Currently 46 members of FACAA have qualified which is up one from last year. Of qualifying FACAA members, \$12,500 have been awarded since the scholarship has been offered with \$2,180 of that being awarded this year. Three FACAA members applied for scholarships last year. To this date I do not know if all three were awarded scholarships.

Members of the FACAA were notified by email and explained the scholarship criteria by myself on 2/27/17, 5/18/17, and 5/25/17. Considering the breadth of the opportunity it would seem that not many FACAA members are taking advantage of this opportunity. So far, FACAA members have donated \$3,738 and received \$12,500. It would seem this is a considerably good return on the investment.

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# Committees Linked to the NACAA "Other Committees"

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

# **Life Members (FACAA)**

Karen Stauderman, CHAIR Volusia <u>kstauderman@ufl.edu</u>

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.



# Section IIIb State Committee Reports

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

# **Administration Liaison**

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

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

#### **Audit**

Joe Walter, CHAIR Brevard jwalter@ufl.edu

Richard Tyson, Member Jennifer Walter, Member

The financial records of the Association were reviewed by the audit committee through June 30. 2017. The Quickens files were audited and updated to reflect the information in the paper records of the transactions of the Association, the Quickens file from the Treasurer, and the audited Quickens files ending June 30, 2016. The Association appears to be in a sound financial situation; however, a complete audit was not able to be performed in a timely manner due to necessary records not being made available before the audit deadline. The audit committee had met on August 18, 2017 with the Treasurer to obtain additional documentation necessary to complete the audit and offer guidance in the use of the Quickens or Quick Books software; as well as, to explain the expectations of the audit committee to insure that General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) are followed. Accounts were not reconciled nor were reports generated monthly as has been recommended in past years audits. Several issues were discovered during the audit. During the August meeting with the Treasure, she was instructed on how to use the reconciliation function in the Quickens software. The major continuing issue is that the prior years audited Quickens file was not used during the current audit year resulting in the audit committee not being able to run any useful reports for reconciliation purposes. The treasurer was instructed on the necessity of uploading and using the corrected and audited Quickens file provided by the audit committee. There appears to be \$500 for a scholarship paid from the FACAA account that should have been paid from the scholarship account. This issue was discussed with the Treasurer and she will be taking measurers to attempt to recover these funds. The association paid/lost \$1970 due to a fraudulent email request, this appears to be unrecoverable. There was also a \$43.94 expenditure made from PayPal that was determined to have been a personal expenditure of the Treasurer that was mistakenly paid from the Association account. This expense is to be reimbursed by the Treasure back to the Association. A recommendation was made to the Treasurer that all remaining funds in the PayPal account be transferred to the FACAA checking account. It is further recommended that the Association use Eventbrite rather than PayPal for membership dues processing in order to more accurately obtain the necessary membership identification information. Regardless of the program used in the future, the funds need to be transferred on a more frequent and consistent basis to facilitate account reconciliation. The Treasurer indicated the she has been working with NACAA to recover over payments in past years as were noted in previous audit reports. The Treasurer was also able to recover and suspend the monthly fees for bank statements, this credit will appear in the July 2017 statement.

The audit committee in conjunction with the Treasurer has created additional income and expense categories to help with future account and expense reconciliations. 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 transition occurs. The Treasurer has agreed to work on this guide with the assistance of the audit committee. The audit

committee strongly recommends that the accounting software be reconciled with the bank statements for both the saving and checking accounts on a monthly basis and that the Quickens generated reconciliation reports be included in the hard copy documentation along with the bank statement for that month; The audit committee has requested that a mid-year audit be done prior to the mid-year meeting of the association.

It is further recommended that the Association transition from Quickens to QuickBooks Pro.

Submitted by: Joe Walter, Chair Audit Committee 2016-2017

# **Budget & Finance**

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

# FACAA Treasurers' Report – Annual Meeting 2017

Reporting Period: 7/1/16 - 6/30/17Treasurer: Christine Kelly-Begazo

<b>Total Checking Account Balance – 7/1/16</b>		\$22,644.31
<u>Income</u>		
NACAA/FACAA Membership Dues plus (misc from PayPal)	\$12,148.50	
2016 States' Night Out at NACAA	\$1,070.93	
Return of deposit for 2016 States' Night Out	\$200.00	
Sunbelt Agricultural Expo Sponsorship	\$750.00	
Farm Credit of Central Florida (Young Professional Award)	\$500.00	
EPAF Auction Proceeds (2016)	\$1,467.42	
JCEP Participation Incentive	\$450.00	
Gene McAvoy Campaign	\$5,030.00	
2017 States Night Out (Utah)	\$362.00	
Bank charge reimbursement	\$18.00	
Total Income	\$21,996.85	
		\$44,641.16
Expenses		
2016 States' Night Out-NACAA deposit	\$200.00	
2016 States' Night Out-NACAA (Cajun's Wharf)	\$1,342.65	
Agriculture Development Council (Silver level support for	** ***	
Alabama)	\$3,000.00	
Shawn Steed-spousal travel support for AA winner to NACAA	\$137.35	
Celeste White-2016 FACAA Scholarship Award	\$500.00	
Award certificates, plaques	\$2,123.85	
2016 Outstanding Young Student Award (Prisilla Zelaya)	\$500.00	
Adobe Pro for FACAA webmaster	\$100.00	
2016 Young Professional Award (Vanessa Campoverde)	\$100.00	
2016 Young Professional Award Travel (Vanessa Campoverde)	\$300.00	
EPAF Registration & Room Comp.	\$319.00	

David Ellis-Awards (fraud)	\$1,970.00	
2017 Outstanding Graduate Student Award (Lendel Narine)	\$500.00	
Florida Department of State (Annual Filing Fee)	\$70.00	
JCEP & PILD Expenses (B. Stice)	\$461.00	
Mid-Year Meeting Expenses (Lunch-FFB)	\$808.50	
TAAA&S AM/PIC (Sponsorship of 2018 NACAA AM/PIC		
Tennessee)	\$3,000.00	
Gene McAvoy Campaign Expenditures	\$2,000.00	
NACAA Membership Dues	\$8,200.00	
2017 States' Night Out deposit (Utah)	\$500.00	
Bank charges	\$36.00	
Total Expenses	\$26,168.35	
<b>Total Checking Account Balance – 6/30/17</b>		\$18,472.81

**SAVINGS ACCOUNT** 

**Total Saving Account Balance – 7/1/16** \$12,656.10

Interest Income \$6.35

Savings Account Balance – 6/30/17 \$12,662.45

# **Constitution & By-Laws**

Dan Fenneman, CHAIR Madison dfenneman@ufl.edu

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

#### **County Commission Liaison**

**Bridget Stice, CHAIR** Polk bccarlis@ufl.edu

The 2017 Florida Association of Counties annual meeting was held at the Palm Beach County Convention Center in West Palm Beach June 27-29.

This meeting is attended by Florida County Commissioners, Florida County Administrators, and County staff from across the state. It is designed as a continuing education and networking venue.

The FACAA, other Florida Extension agents and Extension administration partner to hold an exhibit of three booths at the meeting's trade show where we showcase UF/IFAS Extension efforts and thank county commissioners and managers for their support of local Extension. We call the exhibit the UF/IFAS Extension "Country Store."

"Ag Swag Bags" are loaded with goodies that represent some of our agricultural commodities and services to give to every commissioner or administrator to thank them for their partnerships with IFAS Extension.

Our booth is always the most exciting booth of the trade show and this year was no exception. This year the booth was set up by Eric Simonne, David Austin, Wendy Wilber, Libbie Johnson, Bridget Stice, Lynn Barber, Frank Dowdle, Christine Kelly-Begazo, JP Gellerman, Matt Van Weelden, Maisie Ross and Susan Haddock. These folks stuffed the swag bags and got the booth looking beautiful.

Frank Dowdle and Matt VanWeelden hauled in the sugar and rice (1/2 a ton total weight!). Thank you Matt for arranging the donation. David Austin got caladium bulbs donated. Libbie Johnson arranged to get some IFAS fans. Frank Dowdle had some rain ponchos donated. Blake Thaxton had Gator Grits donated from the research center. Doug Mayo had peanuts donated. Gene McAvoy had Everglades Seasoning and Gator Hammock Sauce donated. Libbie Johnson hauled the fans, grits, peanuts, seasoning and sauce! Bob Hochmuth got honey bears donated. Stephanie Toelle had IFAS stress balls to be included in the swag bags. Bill Schall had some beautiful coleus donated. Vanessa Campoverde had some beautiful succulents to add. Lauren Butler got some dairy cow keychains and "Got Milk" cups donated. Teresa Olczyk had some mangos donated. Christine Kelly-Begazo had coolers of Natalie's fruit juices available for guests. The Ag Swag Bags were loaded with goodies to say the least.

Dr. Simonne was a huge help in hauling most of the exhibit display down, many of the donated items as well as gift baskets. He was also a huge help in coordinating the event overall.

We had lots of help with wonderful IFAS faculty to staff the booth including: Libbie Johnson (who had the absolute furthest to travel!), David Austin, Eric Simonne, Ron Rice, Jarucha Phetcharawan, Maisie Ross, Ralph Mitchell, Lynn Barber, Ed Skvarch, Christine Kelly-Begazo, Susan Haddock, Ada Medina, Frank Dowdle, Matt VanWeelden and JP Gellerman.

Donations (15) for the drawing give-aways were made by:

Libbie Johnson, Escambia County

Lynn Barber, FANREP and Hillsborough County

Frank Dowdle, Palm Beach County

Ron Rice, Palm Beach County

Wendy Wilber, RSA

Mary Beth Henry, Polk County

Brad Burbaugh, Clay County

Beth Shephard, FCS

Christine Kelly-Begazo, Indian River County

David Austin, Highlands County

Thank you all for your help with the booth and getting the great donations that are so loved by the FAC "Country Store" attendees.

I would also like to thank Dean Place for his 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 behind the scenes efforts to make the UF/IFAS exhibit/Country Store a success.

# **Educational Foundation**

Mark Shuffitt, CHAIR Marion jmsh@ufl.edu

Thanks to this year's committee members Jennifer Bearden, Laurie Hurner, Becky Jordi, Bill Lester and David Nistler for serving with pride and distinction!

We currently have over \$158,000 in our endowment and will receive approximately \$5,900 in interest to award in scholarships. Additionally, we have been awarding on average \$5,000 total annually for the past several years. This year we have \$12,000 in our PeopleSoft account to award in scholarships. We have a good problem and need to spend down our PeopleSoft funds. To address this issue, the committee by unanimous vote increased the annual maximum to \$1,000 and lifetime limit to \$10,000. We strongly encourage all FACAA members to contribute \$100 to become eligible to apply for this scholarship.

The following changes to our FACAA Educational Foundation Scholarship application and guidelines are recommended by unanimous vote from our committee meeting of April 10, 2017 at the UF Hilton in Gainesville.

#### **Scholarship Application Form (Changes are in red)**

- 3b. Your attempts to secure additional funding from other sources will help your application. Please list the amount received from other sources such as: assistantship(s), other scholarships, self-funded, contributions from commodity group(s), SHARE, DED, etc.
- 1. Each participant must have contributed at least \$100 to the FACAA Scholarship Fund by **December 31**.
  - 5. Maximum individual (or per individual within a group) scholarship is \$1,000 per year. Maximum \$10,000 for an individual in their Florida Extension career.
- 6. Scholarship winners will be contacted by the Director of Finance for the UF/IFAS Extension Administration office with instructions for reimbursement. Copies of all receipts must be provided.
- 7. Upon completion of the intended professional improvement activity for which scholarship funds have been awarded, the scholarship recipient must provide a brief written report to the FACAA Educational Foundation Chair (within 30 days of completion of training) that shows the main professional development value the agent received from their scholarship-funded travel. The penalty for misuse of FACAA Scholarship Funds is repayment of the funds to FACAA and prohibition from future FACAA Scholarships.

<u>GROUP APPLICATIONS</u> – All tour members must meet criteria, including address, home and office phone, contribution of \$100 to the FACAA Scholarship Fund by <u>December 31</u>. List this on a separate sheet of paper and attach to the scholarship application.

# **Application Guidelines and Selection Criteria**

Change #9 to read the same as #7 on the application form

Upon completion of the intended professional improvement activity for which scholarship funds have been awarded, the scholarship recipient must provide a brief written report to the FACAA Educational Foundation Chair (within 30 days of completion of training) that shows the main professional development value the agent received from their scholarship-funded travel. The penalty for misuse of FACAA Scholarship Funds is repayment of the funds to FACAA and prohibition from future FACAA Scholarships.

Scholarship applications were accepted through midnight April 1, 2017. Ten individual applications (no group applications) were received, reviewed by the committee, and approved for a total commitment of \$5,000.

2017 Individual Applicants receiving Professional Improvement Travel Scholarships include the following:

- 1. Mace Bauer NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City, UT. 9-13 July, 2017 (\$500).
- 2. Dan Fenneman NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City, UT. 9-13 July, 2017 (\$500).
- 3. Erin Harlow 9<sup>th</sup> International IPM Symposium Baltimore, MD 19-22, March, 2018 (\$500)
- 4. Alicia Lamborn NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City, UT. 9-13 July, 2017 (\$500).
- 5. Doug Mayo NACAA Animal Science Pre Conference Tour and NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City, UT. 7-13 July, 2017 (\$500).
- 6. Gene McAvoy NACAA AM/PIC Salt Lake City, UT. 9-13 July, 2017 (\$500).
- 7. Celeste White International Society of Arboriculture Annual International Conference

a. National Harbor, MD 30 July – 2 Aug, 2017 (\$500)

8.	Karen Stauderman – NACAA AM/PIC	Salt Lake City, UT.	9-13 July, 2017	(\$500).
9.	Mike Sweat – NACAA AM/PIC	Salt Lake City, UT.	9-13 July, 2017	(\$500).
10.	Joe Walter – NACAA AM/PIC	Salt Lake City, UT.	9-13 July, 2017	(\$500).

FACAA Scholarships (Group Applications)

None.

# **FACAA Membership**

Martha Glenn, CHAIR	Manatee	mglenn7@ufl.edu
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Membership 2016-2017 Active Members – 167 Life Members – 91 Complimentary members – 3

Total Membership - 261

Alberts, Carol Bupp, Glen
Albrecht, Laurie Burbaugh, Bradley
Altum-Cooper, Jessica Butler, Lauren

Anderson, Evan
Asuaje, Cesar
Athearn, Kevin
Atkins, John Doyle
Atkinson, Michelle

Austin, David

Badurek, Theresa Bailey, Mark Barber, Lynn

Bates, Holly
Bauer, Mace
Bearden, Jennifer
Beckford, Roy

Bielema, Vanessa Biss, Judy

Bodrey, Ray Boles, Beth

Bolques, Alejandro

Bosques Mendez, Jonael

Breman, Jacque

Caldwell, Doug
Campoverde, Elizabeth Vanessa

Carter, Ethan
Cooper, Clay
Crane, Jonathan
Crawford, Sonja

Davis, Jim
Debusk, Denise
DelValle, Terry
Demorest, Nichelle
Derrick, Mary
Devalerio, Jim
Donahoe, Michael

Dowdle, Frank
Dunning, Sheila
Dusky, Joan

E

Elmore, Whitney

England, Gary Eubanks, Shep

F

Felter, Liz
Fenneman, Dan
Figart, Larry
Fletcher, Evelyn
Fletcher, Jim
Freeman, Terra

Futch, Stephen

G

Gabel, Kim Gamble, Sharon Glenn, Martha Goodchild, Mike Goodiel, Yvette Griffin, Jane

H

Haddock, Susan
Halbritter, Alicia
Harlow, Erin
Harlow, Luke
Harrison, Les
Henry, Mary-Beth

Hicks, Gregory McWhorter, James Scalera, Sally Hobbs, Wayne McWhorter-Widden, Schall, Bill Hochmuth, Bob Katharine Schortinghouse, Alyssa Hogue, Patrick Miller, Christian Shuffitt, Mark Holmes, David Mitchell, Ralph Simmons, Nick Hopkins, Morgan Moffis, Brooke Skvarch, Ed Hunsberger, Adrian Momol, Esen Snodgrass, Crystal Hunter, Maxine Morse, Jane Sowerby, Mary Hurner, Laurie Mudge, Dennis Stam, Aaron Mukhtar, Saqib Stauderman, Karen Mulvaney, Michael Stevenson, Carrie Munroe, Nickie Stice, Bridget Jameson, Molly N Strickland, Stacy Jarvis, B.J. Neal, Anita S. Sullivan, Jessica Jennings, Ed Nistler, David Swanson, Stewart Johnson, Libbie 0 Sweat, Mike Obreza, Tom K Olczyk, Teresa Kakkar, Garima Т Tancig, Mark Orwat, Matthew Kelly-Begazo, Christine Oswalt, Chris Thaxton, Blake Kirby, Christa Thompson, Deanna Korus, Kevin Thralls, Ed Pabon, Eva Tomlinson, Paulette Lamborn, Alicia R. Pinson, Nicole Troy, Patrick Larson, Colleen Place, Nick Tyson, Richard Leonard, Daniel Popenoe, Juanita Lester, William Levulis, Deborah Q U Lollar, Matthew V R VanWeelden, Matthew M Rainey, Don Maddox, Martha Rice, Ron Walker, Justin Main, Marty Rivera-Melendez, Francisco Walter, Joe Mauldin, Mark Wang, Qingren Mayer, Henrique Saft, Carolyn Wasielewski, Jeff Mayo, Doug Waters, Kalyn Sanchez-Rodriguez, McAvoy, Eugene Weaver, Marvin Tatiana McConnell, Julie Wells, Bonnie Sanders, Cindy

Whidden, Alicia Wilson, Britton Y Yarborough, James White, Celeste Wilson, Tim Yasalonis, Anne Wiggins, Lindsey Wooten, Hannah Wiggins, ZaDarreyal Yeager, Tom Wynn, Keith Wilber, Wendy  $\mathbf{Z}$ X Williams, Larry Zekri, Mongi

# **Mid-Year Meeting**

Libbie Johnson, CHAIR Escambia libbiej@ufl.edu

Mid-Year Meeting

Libbie Johnson Chair libbiei@ufl.edu Dan Fenneman Co-chair dfenneman@ufl.edu Mace Bauer mgbauer@ufl.edu Karen Stauderman kstauderman@ufl.edu n.simmons@ufl.edu Nick Simmons **Cindy Sanders** sanders1@ufl.edu Chris Prevatt prevacg@ufl.edu Keith Wynn kwynn@ufl.edu Matt Orwat mjorwat@ufl.edu

The FACAA Mid-Year Meeting was held at the Florida Farm Bureau Building in Gainesville on April 19, 2016 from 12:00 to 4 pm. The business meeting was held on the evening of April 18, 2017 from 6-8 pm. Lunch was covered by FACAA. After lunch, Kevin Morgan Farm Bureau provided an overview of the discussed the listening sessions that had taken place throughout the state and the importance of strengthening relationships between IFAS and FFB. He also announced a new award that Farm Bureau would give to a deserving Extension agent annually. Agents will be nominated by their local county Farm Bureau, money will be a part of the prize. Mark Shuffitt with the FACAA Foundation provide also an update for new agents on how to apply for scholarships. The biggest news was that FACAA voted unanimously to bid on the 2022 AM/PIC; meeting location to be determined. Gene McAvoy's candidacy for NACAA V-P was further supported by more monetary donations. Committee reports were given. The meeting was adjourned at 4 pm.

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

Bridget Stice, CHAIR Polk <u>bccarlise@ufl.edu</u>

Florida was well represented at the 2017 NACAA AM/PIC this July in Salt Lake City, UT. The conference always represents an excellent opportunity for learning and networking.

Florida was represented by 59 registrants. These included 49 agents, 9 guests and 1 administrator, Dr. Mukhtar. There were additional guests in attendance from Florida.

Of these, 11 members made presentations and 16 members exhibited posters.

In Communications, we had two Regional Winners, Jane Morse – Learning Module and Evan Anderson – Publication; four National Finalists, BJ Jarvis – Bound Book, Bonnie Wells – Feature Story, Molly Jameson – Personal Column, William Lester – Program Promotional Piece; and one National Winner, Susan Haddock – Newsletter, Individual.

In Search for Excellence, we had one Regional Winner, Sonja Crawford – 4-H Programming; one National Finalist, Mace Bauer – Farm Health and Safety; and two National Winners in Search for Excellence, Molly Jameson – Ag Awareness and Appreciation, and Blake Thaxton – Sustainable Agriculture Recognition Program.

Our Distinguished Service Award Winners were recognized – Sheila Dunning, Ron Rice and Lindsey Wiggins. And our Achievement Award Winners were Alicia Lamborn, Matt Lollar and Blake Thaxton.

Our voting delegates for the NACAA elections were Libbie Johnson (Escambia), Mark Shuffitt (Marion), Bridget Stice (Polk), Lindsey Wiggins (Hendry) and Wendy Wilber (Alachua).

Lastly our very own, Gene McAvoy, was elected as NACAA Vice President!

The 2017 NACAA Slate of Officers is:

President – Alan Galloway (TN)

President-Elect – Richard Fechter (KS)

Vice President – Gene McAvoy (FL)

Secretary – Virginia Rosenkranz (MD)

Treasurer (through Dec. 31, 2017) – Wes Smith (GA)

Treasurer (starting Jan. 1, 2018) – Lenny Rogers (NC)

Past President – Mark Nelson (UT)

Next year's AM/PIC will be July 29-August 2 in Chattanooga, TN. Hope to see you there!

#### **New Members Relations**

Brooke L. Moffis, CHAIR Lake burnb48@ufl.edu

The New Members Relations Committee represented FACAA by delivering a presentation about the organization at the UF/IFAS Agent and Specialist Orientation January 24, 2017. Following the presentation, attending FACAA members had an informal lunch meeting with interested new agents to discuss the organization's mission and extension agent benefits, roles and the importance of attending AMPIC.

The New Member Relations Committee partnered with the Early Career Development Committee to deliver a 2 hour workshop, February 21, 2017, to help members with award applications, poster and abstract submissions, and to understand the role of FACAA/NACAA in

their professional development. The workshop offered through Zoom reached more than 15 people.

Solicitation for nominations, judging, and selection of the FACAA Young Professional Award occurred in June of 2017. The Winner of the award will receive a plaque and \$100. In addition, they will be granted a stipend of up to \$300 to attend a National Meeting. The 2017 recipient is Mace Bauer, Commercial Agronomy and Horticulture Agent from UF/IFAS Extension, Columbia County.

#### **Officer Nominations**

Mark Shuffitt, CHAIR Marion jmsh@ufl.edu

Proposed FACAA Officer Slate for 2016-17

Past President Wendy Wilber
President Bridget Stice
President-Elect Libbie Johnson
Vice-President Lindsey Wiggins

Secretary Stacy Strickland (IN-COMING)

Treasurer Christine Kelly-Begazo

Webmaster Jennifer Bearden

District	Senior DD	Junior DD
1	Mark Mauldin (Washington)	Matt Lollar (Jackson)
2	Luke Harlow (Clay)	Jane Griffin (Suwannee)
3	Bill Lester (Hernando)	Maxine Hunter (Marion)
4	Jonael Bosques (Hardee)	Laurie Hurner (Highlands)
5	Qingren Wang (Miami-Dade)	Jeff Wasielewski (Miami-Dade)

#### Mark Shuffitt, FACAA Past-President (District 3) Chairman 2017 FACAA Nominating Committee

Mark Shuffitt	Chair	jmsh@ufl.edu
Ron Rice	Co-chair	rwr@ufl.edu
Larry Williams		llw5479@ufl.edu
Ed Jennings		edjennin@ufl.edu
Cindy Sanders		sanders1@ufl.edu

#### **Policy & Resolutions**

Doug Mayo, CHAIR Jackson demayo@ufl.edu

This committee has nothing to report for 2016-2017.

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

Jimmy DeValerio, CHAIR Bradford jtd@ufl.edu

As committee Chairman, I would like to that committee members Shawn Steed, Chris Miller, Yvette Goodiel, Ron Rice, Carolyn Saft, Luke Harlow, Erin Harlow, Colleen Larson, Nicole Munroe, Nichelle Demorest, Patrick Troy, Tim Wilson (co-chair), Nicole Pinson, Whitney Elmore, Martha Glenn, Jessica Sullivan, Molly Jameson and Deanna Thompson for their prompt, thoughtful participation on this committee.

Forty abstracts were submitted to the committee. Twenty-one were accepted by the EPAF Abstract Board. Judging: Abstracts were randomized (authors anonymous) and each FACAA Professional Development committee member was asked to assign scores to eight or nine abstracts, assigned in a systematic random approach. This is the model that was suggested by the EPAF committee. Committee members did not judge abstracts they authored. Two abstracts were not judged because they were too long. Abstracts were judged according to the circulated scoring rubric.

As the outgoing chair of the Professional Development Committee, I recommend that in the future, all committee members evaluate all submitted abstracts. I believe committee members can make better assessments if they review all of the submissions.

In closing I would like to thank the membership for sharing their good work by submitting their abstracts. If your abstract was not accepted, I encouraged you to submit it to another venue.

Association members needing help drafting abstracts can get assistance by contacting the Professional Development committee.



## **Section IV FACAA Top Honors**

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

2017

Alicia Lamborn Baker
Matt Lollar Jackson
Blake Thaxton Santa Rosa

2016

Dan Fenneman Madison Mary Beth Henry Polk

Shawn Steed Hillsborough

<u>2015</u>

Norma Samuel Marion
Jim DeValerio Bradford
Gary England Lake

2014

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

<u>2009</u>

Adrian Hunsberger Miami-Dade Christa Carlson-Kirby Manatee

2008

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

2004

Mike Goodchild Walton Mark Shelby Sarasota

2003

Joseph Walter Brevard
Paulette Tomlinson Columbia

2002

Anita Neal St. Lucie

Tom Wichman Hort Science Dept

<u>2001</u>

Liz Felter Orange Doug Mayo Jackson

2000

Mary Sowerby Hillsborough Daniel Culbert Indian River

<u>19</u>99

Frank Melton Manatee Larry Williams Okaloosa

<u>199</u>8

Patricia Grace Putnam
Mark Kistler Okeechobee

1997

Celeste White Orange William Schall Broward

1996

Gerald Edmondson Okaloosa Bruce Ward Walton

1995

Ben Castro Gadsden
Tom Schueneman Palm Beach

<u>1994</u>

Anthony Drew Levy Ed Jennings Pasco

1993

Terry DelValle Duval Andy Andreasen Jackson

**David Dinkins** Nassau

1991

Joan Bradshaw **Pinellas** 

1989

Sydney Park-Brown Hillsborough

1988

James F. Selph Desoto

<u>1987</u>

Uday Yadav Seminole

1986

David Marshall Leon

Kenneth D. Shuler Palm Beach

<u>1984</u>

Larry Halsey Jefferson

1983 W. Austin Tilton Putnam

1982

John Baldwin Levy

<u>1981</u>

**Ed Jowers** Madison

1980

Tom MacCubbin Orange

Harold Jones Duval

<u>1978</u>

Mike Demaree Pasco

<u> 1977</u>

Clayton Hutcheson Palm Beach

<u>1976</u>

Dan Mullins Escambia

1975

Richard Bir Alachua

1974

Jim Dilbeck St. Johns

1973

Tom Oswalt Polk

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

2017

Shiela Dunning Okaloosa
Ron Rice Palm Beach
Lindsey Wiggins Hendry

2016

Steve Futch CREC
Carrie Stephenson Escambia
Stacy Strickland Sumter

2015

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

2012

Christa Kirby Manatee
Jennifer Pelham Osceola
Cindy Sanders Alachua

2011

Bridget Carlisle Polk
Shep Eubanks Holmes
Ken Rudisill Bay

<u>2010</u>

Teresa Olczyk Miami Dade John Mark Shuffitt Marion Joe Walter Brevard

2009

Martha Maddox Sumter
Doug Mayo Jackson
Richard Tyson Orange

<u>2008</u>

Jacque Breman Union Gerald R. Edmondson Okaloosa Gene McAvoy Hendry

Andy Andreasen Washington
Beth Bolles Escambia
Larry Williams Okaloosa

2006

Dan Culbert Okeechobee
David Dinkins St. Johns
Clay Olson Taylor

2005

Dale Bennett Wakulla Liz Felter Orange Jim Fletcher Brevard

2004

George Hochmuth North Florida REC
Oliver Patrick Miller Okeechobee

Michael Sweat Baker

2003

Charles L. Brasher Jackson Ed Jennings Sumter

Robert C. Hochmuth North Florida REC

<u>20</u>02

Terry DelValle Duval
Patrick Hogue Okeechobee
Eugene Joyner Palm Beach

2001

David Holmes Marion
Bill Schall Palm Beach
Earnest Stephens Duval

<u>2000</u>

Henry Grant Gadsden
Travis Seawright Manatee
Roy Carter Gulf

1999

Gary Brinen Alachua

Tim Crocker Hort Science Dept

Eleanor Foerste Osceola

<u> 1998</u>

Loretta Hodyss St. Johns Daniel Mullins Santa Rosa

1997

James Selph Desoto Michael McKinney Hillsborough

Robert Tervola Suwannee David Marshall Leon

Gary Simonne Gainesville Campus

1995

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

<u>1989</u>

Michael Demaree Pasco Lawrence Heitmeyer Leon Marvin Weaver Gilchrist

1988

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

<u>1987</u>

John BaldwinLevyEd JowersJacksonThomas MacCubbinOrange

1986

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

James Dilbeck St. Johns
Dallas Townsend Hendry
Robert Whitty Martin

1984

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

<u> 1981</u>

Ed Allen Duval Roy Champagne Dade Bob Davis Polk

1980

Raleigh Griffis Palm Beach Tom Oswalt Polk Bobby Taylor Bradford

<u>1979</u>

Donald George Sumter
William Smith Jr. Suwannee
Jack Spears Holmes

1978

James Estes Franklin Jack Haddox Lake

Roger Newton Hillsborough

<u>1977</u>

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

<u>1976</u>

Paul Glasscock Hillsborough Sylvester Rose Brevard

1975

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

<u>1963</u>

R.T. Clay Putman J. Paul Crews Suwannee

1962

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

<u>1961</u>

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 Palm Beach Alex White 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

2017

Mace Bauer Columbia

2016

Vanessa Campoverde Miami-Dade

2015

Matt Lollar Jackson

<u>2014</u>

Shawn Steed Polk

2013

Aparna Gazula Alachua

2012

Erin Harlow Duval

2011

Brad Burbaugh Duval

<u>2010</u>

Leslie Baucum Hendry

2009

Christine Kelly-Begazo Indian River

2008

Elena Toro Suwannee

<u>2007</u>

Theresa Friday Santa Rosa

<u>2006</u>

Rebecca Jordi Nassau

<u>2005</u>

Cynthia Sanders Alachua

2004

Alex Bolques Gadsden

2003

Adrian Hunsberger Dade

<u>200</u>2

Gene McAvoy Hendry

<u>2001</u>

Beth Bolles Escambia

<u>2000</u>

Doug Mayo Jackson

<u>1999</u>

Liz Felter Orange

<u>1998</u>

Laurie Hurner Palm Beach

1997 Larry Williams Okaloosa

<u> 1996</u>

No nominations

Kenneth Gioeli St. Lucie

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

#### 2017

Tim Carpenter Marion
Cliff Coddington Manatee
Nate & Anna Jameson Sumter

#### <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

#### <u>201</u>3

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

#### 2010

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

#### <u>2009</u>

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

<u>2008</u>

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

2000

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

1993

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

1987

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>198</u>5

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**

2017

Dr. Danielle Treadwell Horticulture Dr. Carissa Wickens Animal Science

2016

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

2015

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

2014

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

<u>2013</u>

Dr. Maria Silviera Range Cattle REC

Dr. Jamie Ellis Entomology/Nematology

<u>2012</u>

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.

2006

Dr. Tim Marshall Animal Science

<u>2005</u>

Dr. John Arthington Animal Science

Dr. Ron Muraro Food & Resource Econ.

2004

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

2003

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.

1995

Dr. Bill Stall Vegetable Crops

1994

Dr. David Wright North Florida REC

1993

Dr. Carroll Douglas Poultry Science

1992

Dr. Larry Jackson Fruit Crops

1991

Dr. Ben Whitty Agronomy

<u>199</u>0

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

2015

No recipient

<u>2014</u>

No recipient

2013

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 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:

OFFICE
President
President Elect
Secretary
Treasurer

NAME
Jack Spears
Clayton Hutcheson
Jesse Godbold
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
Bobby Durden
Charles Walthall
Wayne Odegaard
Larry Loadholtz

ADDRESS
PO Box 810, Quincy, FL 32351
PO Box 488, Crestview, FL 32536
Rt 1 Box 15, Mayo, FL 32066
3200 E New York Ave, Deland, FL 32724

James Dilbeck 49 King S., St. Augustine, FL 32804 Jim Selph PO Box 310, Arcadia, FL 33821

Mark Spelbring 1516 Hwy 52, W. Dade City, FL 33825 Ken Shuler 2976 State Road 15, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Tim Hurner 1416 5th Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 Phillip Rowan 1302 11 St SW, Live Oak, FL 32060

#### ARTICLE EIGHT BY-LAWS

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

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

### ARTICLE NINE AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

## ARTICLE TEN DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

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

#### ARTICLE ELEVEN LOCATION

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

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


Revised 9/10/02

#### **Constitution and By-laws**

Florida Association of County Agricultural Agents (FACAA) 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 08/25/17)

#### Section 2

- A) 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).
- 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. (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 run from July 1 to June 30. (Adopted 8/2017)

#### **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 August 2017)

- 1. Financial support is provided by the Dean of Extension'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. In addition, \$200 is available to offset the costs for a spouse, family member, or significant other to attend the national meeting. These are not funds that FACAA administers. (August 2017)
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The President and President Elect shall attend the NACAA Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD) and Joint Council of Extension Professionals Leadership Conference (JCEP) 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. (August 2017)
- 5. 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.

- 6. FACAA shall provide one night's lodging and meals for Outstanding Agriculturist Award recipients and their spouses at the FACAA Annual Meeting.
- 7. If any <u>active</u> 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.
- 8. 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.
- 12. Membership dues are not generally refundable; the Board of Directors must approve exceptions.
- 13. 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.
- 14. A plaque in recognition of service to FACAA will be presented to the President upon retirement from office at the EPAF Annual Conference.
- 15. Annually the FACAA President shall appoint an ambassador(s) to attend the New Agent In-Service Training social event to promote FACAA Membership. The association will attempt to coordinate this activity with the participation of the other Extension Agent professional associations.
- 16. 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.)
- 17. 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).
- 18. 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. The Chair of the Educational Foundation (Past President) shall coordinate with the student advisor to present the student with the scholarship recognition at an official FACAA meeting or an Ag Ed & Communication Student function. 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 to the FACAA Education Foundation by December 31 of the prior 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 year FACAA dues must have been paid by the date required for awards applications.
- 3. Scholarship application can be made for any Professional Improvement activity including tours, seminars, conferences, sabbaticals, annual professional improvement meetings, advanced study degree hours or programs, International activities, In-Service Education, JCEP, PILD, or others as deemed appropriate by the Educational Foundation Committee of FACAA.
- 4. Scholarship funds will be awarded based on need, merit of the application and scholarship funds available, but will not exceed \$1000 to an individual applicant in one fiscal year and will not exceed \$10,000 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 \$5,000).
- 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 FACAA Educational Foundation Committee will meet in April to consider scholarship applications. Applications must be received by April 1. Applicants awarded scholarships will be announced by the Educational Foundation Committee Chair at the FACAA Mid-Year meeting in April.
- 9. Upon completion of the intended professional improvement activity for which scholarship funds have been awarded, the scholarship recipient must provide a brief written report to the FACAA Educational Foundation Chair (within 30 days of completion of training) that shows the main professional development value the agent received from their scholarship-funded travel. The penalty for misuse of FACAA Scholarship Funds is repayment of the funds to FACAA and prohibition from future FACAA Scholarships.

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