Meeting of the NACDEP Executive Committee via teleconference and Adobe Pro webinar system at University of Minnesota. April 13, 2012

Meeting called to order by President-Elect, Michael Wilcox at 1 PM (CDT)

Members present at roll call: Michael Darger, Greg Davis, Steve Burr, Winifred McGee, Harry Crissy Members not present at roll call: Richard Proffer, Deb Tootle, Tim Borich Others present: Michael Dougherty, Jen Schottke

Agenda accepted on motion by Greg Davis, second by Steve Burr and carried.

March minutes were accepted on motion by Harry Crissy, second by Winifred McGee and carried.

Treasurer's Report by Greg Davis.

Mar 30 checking balance: \$11,818.04

Activity: +\$60,678.55 (dues and conference registration), -\$2,338.41 (PAR), -\$194.00 (credit card fees), - \$60,000. (transfer to savings)

Mar 30 savings balance: \$179,963.80

Activity +\$48.67 (interest), +\$60,000. (transfer from checking)

Discussion of membership billing, the list of lapsed previous members who have not renewed and problems with the membership online enrollment interface. Jen Schottke will follow-up on these items and report back.

Treasurer's report accepted on motion by Michael Darger, second by Steve Burr and carried.

Updates from the Regions

§ Northeast – Winifred McGee. Talked about Maryland's interest in becoming affiliate chapter to NADCEP. The Maryland folks are raising some good questions about what is involved how to affiliate. This precipitated a discussion about the affiliation/chapter policy at NACDEP. Michael Wilcox will try to check in with other JCEP member organizations as to their practices and policies this summer at JCEP meeting.

§ North Central – no report

§ Southern – Harry Crissy reported that the sea captains training is still happening there in South Carolina. Michael Wilcox also reported that several states are coming to a regional in-service training that he is involved with. He will send the information to Harry.

§ Western – Steve Burr personally welcomed 5-6 new members in the west with an e-mail. The West also has more award applicants than in the past.

## **Committee Reports**

2012 Conference Committee report by Steve Burr and Jen Schottke and Michael Wilcox. 184 registered + 4 guests. 110 tour takers registered. \$67,000 of registration revenues to date + \$1,500 other for ~ \$69,000 total. \$48,000 expenses to date. \$6500 of "attrition income", \$1,500 sponsorships expected, plus more. For a projected total of about \$1,500 less net revenue compared to last year in Charleston. It is a little disappointing on the lower-than-expected number of tour registrants but it is assumed that many of the nonregistrants will do their own tour events. Jen will check on NACDEP luggage ID items as give-aways. Steve will get USU pins and items. Michael Wilcox likes the idea of keychain item. Jen will check on NACDEP luggage ID items and keychains as give-aways. Are session moderators needed? The idea

of self-moderated sessions, with ground rules for timing, eval, etc. was thrown out there. For example, in a session with three presenters, there would be 20 minutes of presentation, 5 minutes of Q&A, and 5 minutes of transition of time. There will be a special leadership mingler event on Monday night for board members (past and present), rural center directors, JCEP reps., NIFA folks, committee chairs, leaders of the conference, and other leadership types. Discussed using a focus group table discussion type of evaluation for the conference overall (Michael Wilcox and Rachel Welborn). Greg Davis will work on a small eval. form for optional use by presenters in the concurrent sessions. For the dollar auction, Jen will work on an e-blast, as well as another nudge to get people to sign up for tours.

Communications Committee- No news.

Recognition/Awards - Michael Dougherty reported that by 4-23, he hopes to have things together. There is more uptake this year but we could use more people applying for awards. It is better than last year. Still waiting for NC nominations to arrive but he has the rest of applications in hand.

2013 Galaxy Conference - Michael Dougherty reported. He is charge of publicity and Winifred is in charge of evaluation. There is a video to show (3 minutes) and slides for JCEP presentation at Park City, will happen at breakfast on Wednesday in Park City. He talked about the various committee slots and volunteer opportunities that will be available to sign up NACDEP members to.

Finance. No report.

Membership. No report.

Old Business-

Awards procedures were discussed by Jen Schottke. *Harry Crissy had to leave the meeting at this point.* The is to have one plaque issued to each awardee. For team awards, this means one plaque for the team and each person on the team gets an individual certificate. Attention to getting names of individuals and institutions correct was discussed. *President Tim Borich joined the call at this point.* Tim, Michael W. and Greg Davis will handle recognition of the outgoing officers, NIFA NPL and incoming president (engraved gavel), etc.

New Business -

Regional Rural Development Centers. Michael Wilcox reported on a exchange between the directors of the rural centers and the NACDEP board regarding sponsorships for this year's conference and last year's congressional budget cutting of the rural centers. Both JCEP and NACDEP chose to be cautious with advocacy last year based on the direction of some state Extension directors at that time. The rural center directors will be invited to the Sunday, 8 a.m. board meeting for a frank discussion to cover any topics important to restoring trust and cooperation. They also will be invited to the aforementioned leadership mingler event on Monday evening of the conference.

CDS. Some board members of CDS and Tim Borich, Michael Wilcox, and Michael Darger will be convening on Saturday evening at Park City to discuss a possible joint conference and other cooperation issues such as access to their CDS journal. This is an informal discussion to explore the possibilities and report back to the respective boards.

The post-conference Board meeting in Park City will be held, with lunch provided, at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Jen will plan for about 15 individuals to attend. The last concurrent sessions end at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 CDT.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Darger, Secretary