

NACDEP Business Meeting

February 15, 2006

San Antonio, TX

Rick Maurer called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report – Deborah Tootle reported that the minutes from the February 15, 2006 Business Meeting in Las Vegas have been available at the NACDEP registration desk since Monday, February 13. A motion was made to and passed to accept the minutes as posted (George Smith/Ed Jones).

Treasurer's Report – Hank Cothran reported that we started year with no money at NACDEP and we have incorporated, deposited over \$34,000 over the year (dues, last year's conference) and have \$9000 in obligations. We have about 385 members and \$16,000 in obligated funds. A motion was made and passed to accept the treasurer's report as read (Cothran/Hatch).

Rick Maurer introduced new Executive Committee with Dick Senese (President-elect), Hank Cothran (Treasurer), Deborah Tootle (Secretary), Charlie French (Northeast Regional Representative), Cindy Bigger (North Central Regional Representative), Cynthia Pilcher (Southern Regional Representative), Lorie Higgins (Western Regional Representative) and Michelle Eley (1890/1994 Representative). He also recognized the out-going executive committee members (Chris Sieverdes, Gae Broadwater, Walt Whitmer, and Al Kowitz).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Conference Committees

2006 Conference Committee - Cindy Bigger reported 330 attendees.

2007 Conference Committee – Rod Howe and Dick Senese reported the 2007 Conference will be held April 16-19 in Philadelphia. There will be a preconference on building community across different cultures (with separate registration).

2008 Conference – Gae Broadwater will be the Chair. The 2008 Conference will be held with Galaxy.

2005 Resolutions and Policy Committee – Jeri Marxman presented proposed changes in By-Laws. She explained the proposed changes article by article and we voted for the proposed changes at one time. She explained that to have changes in By-laws, that we did not provide 30 days prior to the meeting, we would have to first suspend the By-laws.

A motion was made and passed to suspend By-Laws so that we can present new changes to By-Laws (Joan Thompson/Hank Cothran).

Article III: Membership and Dues

Section 1.

Proposed change to three categories of memberships

Membership participated in much discussion of whether NACDEP members need to be employed as extension professionals or can simply be faculty hired by universities. However, JCEP requires that 51% of membership must have at least a 25% extension appointment.

A motion was made and passed (John Amrhein/Gae Broadwater) to change the wording for definition of active membership to “Active members are currently employed as extension professionals with at least a 25% extension appointment with responsibilities or strong interests in community and economic development”.

This discussion was followed a discussion of the rights of affiliate members, changes and departures in mission and collaborators. A motion was made and passed (Joan/Paulette Cooper) to amend proposed language to “affiliate members have an interest in community development education, outreach or research”.

Article IV: Officers and Executive Committee

Proposed changes were to clarify roles and designate the president-elect as co-chair of annual conference. Discussion focused on the number of tasks of the president-elect. Rick Maurer asked Dick Senese to chair so that he could make contribute to the discussion. Because Rick and others felt the president elect has too many tasks, a motion was made and passed to strike the words “co-chair of nominating committee” (Rick Maurer/Greg Taylor).

A motion was made and passed to limit the Regional Representatives to no more than 2 consecutive one-year terms (Cindy Bigger/Susan Jakes). The Regions will stagger the terms with the North, Central, West and 1890 Representatives being elected in even years and the 1994, Northeast and Southern Representatives being elected in the odd years. Pa

Membership discussed the possibility for three year terms for Secretary and Treasurer. The Executive Committee thinks the job is difficult to learn and that someone may need up to three years to do justice to the job. However, other members questioned as to whether we need three year terms for Secretary and Treasurer. Arguments against included the issues of turnover and protection against poor performance.

Article V: Meetings and Attendance

The proposed changes clarify rights of members. The membership engaged in some discussion of the rights of, and interest in accommodating, affiliate members.

Article VI: Quorum

The proposed changes clarify eligibility for quorum.

Article VII: Voting

No proposed changes.

Article VIII: Policy Statements

No proposed changes.

Article IX: Elections

Proposed changes clarify who is eligible to vote.

Article X: Vacancies

No proposed changes.

Article XI: Committees

No proposed changes.

Article XII: Governance

Proposed changes add consensus as tool. The discussion that followed focused on whether consensus is tool of choice or part of Roberts Rule of Order.

Discussion followed on the roles of regional representatives and their duties not being specified. However, a job description for the regional representatives is on-line

A motion was made and passed to strike proposed language “consensus” and leave as is. (Hank Cothran/Terry Feinburg) under the provision that under Roberts Rules of Order a body could elect to use consensus or adopt a consensus model.

Article XIII: Amendments

No proposed changes.

Article XIV: Strategic Partnerships

No proposed changes.

Article XV:

Motion made and passed to add duties of past-president (Gae Broadwater/Bo Beaulieu).

A motion was made and passed to accept the By-laws as amended (Jeri Marxman/Hank Cothran).

JCEP Committee

Kathy Tweeten will replace Walt Whitmer as the JCEP liaison. We are moving forward in making a bid to join JCEP.

2005 Marketing

Rod Howe reported on the committee's activity. He asked everyone to market NACDEP and reminded members about using NACDEP display.

2005 Membership Services.

No report. The Executive Committee voted to merge marketing and membership services.

2005 Finance

No report. The Executive Committee is seeking a new committee chair. Duties will include auditing and reviewing the books for the Treasurer.

2005 and 2006 Recognition Committee

Chris Sieverdes reported he is looking for more members. The Committee will recognize regional awards and make national awards as well as select one person to win excellence in service to NACDEP award and to CD practice.

Old Business

Rick Maurer introduced Connie Wagner, the new Executive Manager.

New Business

Kathy Tweeten reported she will be attending the NASULGC eXtension meetings. She asked the membership about the kinds of questions we would like her to take forward.

Rick Maurer reminded everyone to think about our meeting cycles. Next year we meet in April in Philadelphia and in 2008 we meet in October with Galaxy. Where do we go (what kind of format do we want) after Galaxy?

Motion made and passed to unspend the By-laws. Motion made to adjourn.