

October 7, 2008

MAE4-HYDP Board Meeting Minutes- Conference Call

Subject to Board approval at next Meeting

1. Present On Call: Anita Harris, Becky Harrington, Melissa Koch, Barb Sorensen, Amanda Eppen, Brad Rugg, Anna Gilbertson, Carrie Ann Olson, Anne Stevenson, Barb Piehl, Kathy Herberg, Amber Runke, Trish Sheehan. Could not be on call due to conflicts: Brian McNeil, Pat Jirik, Carolyn Dingfelder, Curt Nyegaard, Samantha Grant,
2. Meeting was called to order by Anita Harris. 8:30am
3. **Barb Sorensen moved and Trish Sheehan seconded to accept July 15, 2008 secretary report as presented. Motion passed.**
4. Financial Report: Anita reviewed indicating there are three more bills for sweat shirt mailing, sweatshirt replacement and galaxy reception. Also reminded we need to request payment for Kim Asche as a first time National Conference attendee and Becky Harrington as a National winner at \$100 each. **Barb Sorensen moved, Becky Harrington seconded that the financial report be accepted as presented. Motion passed.**
5. Membership report: Barb Sorensen **Barb Sorensen moved we set up installments for dues with due dates to be on November 1, December 1 and February 1 so as to have enough funds to pay National dues on time. Anne Stevenson seconded. Motion passed.**
6. correspondence: none Barb Sorensen thanked the group for all the letters and notes of support during this stressful time for her and her family.
7. Additions to the agenda: none
8. Area Reports were given.
9. Committee reports
 - a. Education: Anna Gilbertson: they are looking for pre-conference ideas. They can take money out of the endowment for the training. Get ideas to Amanda Eppen as Anna will be on maternity leave shortly.
 - b. Policy: Carrie Olson reported no action since last meeting
 - c. Marketing: no report- Anita will update extension name and titles in Association brochure and look into getting logo updated
 - d. Awards: Trish Sheehan reported: Great individual recognition for Becky Harrington, national communicator award and Dorothy Freeman, Air Force recruiting Award. Barb Sorensen on the Regional communicator award. Brad shared that the MN 4-H Foundation will do recognition for Dorothy on Dec 4 at the Women's Club. He will connect with Wendy Huckaby to see if we can get it in the Source Book. Brad and Trish will take leadership for working on something at youth and U. Ask Brian to get into section slants about both Dorothy and Becky. Brad will visit with Todd about getting on web site.
10. Section Slants: Looking for ideas for Brian. Include requests for candidates, committee reports, award celebrations
11. Web site: Anita will send a thank you to Kia and her staff

12. Legislative: Anita connected with Jan Derdowski and there was no report. Barb Piehl shared the handout on the farm bill given out at the Galaxy Conference.
13. Anita will represent MAE4-HYDP at the MAEE retreat.
14. Quasi Endowments: Budget committee (Anne and Anita) will address if money is needed as they work on budget for next meeting.
15. Air force Award: Many thanks to the committee for the work on this
16. Galaxy: Need to promote next conference in Rochester, New York
17. 2008 Goals: Brad Rugg had a discussion with Dorothy Freeman and she thought our goals were fine.
18. 2008 Fall Program Conference-Anita sent a letter of invitation to Dale Blyth to attend boat trip. Has not heard back from him yet. Barb Sorensen will get Anita the information to update the power point for the MAEE presentation about our section. There will be no open section meeting for us as not all of our member's are able to attend the conference.
19. Membership Chair for 2009: Barb Sorensen will continue with this role but needs to put on December to discuss how the role is defined as to who does it. In the coming year.
20. Youth and U: Anna Gilbertson reported they are in the very beginning planning stages.
21. State Fair follow up: Anita discussed if there is a need to do a survey to evaluate state fair. Many thanks to state fair staff for all the work they do.
22. December 3 meeting- St. Cloud, 9am-2:pm. Anita still looking for a location. items to include: goals, friend of 4-H and extra mile award
23. Anna Gilbertson moved to adjourn, Amanda Eppen seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Barb Piehl, Secretary