## Minutes NAAE Board of Directors Meeting November 29, 2021

The NAAE Board of Directors conducted a board meeting on Monday, November 29, 2021 at the Hilton Riverside New Orleans hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. Board members in attendance included: Sherisa Nailor (PA), President; Stan Scurlock (FL), President Elect; Eric Tilleman (MT), Region I Vice President; Todd Thomas (CO), Region II Vice President; Shari Graffunder (WI), Region III Vice President; Deanna Thies (MO), Region IV Vice President; Bill Newsom (TN), Region V Vice President; Robin McLean (NJ), Region VI Vice President; and Alissa Smith (KY), NAAE Chief Executive Officer. Regional secretaries in attendance included: Cameron Dale (OK), Region II Secretary; Paul Aarvold (MN), Region III Secretary; Jeff Voris (MO), Region IV Secretary; Nelson McCracken (GA), Region V Secretary; and Aaron Geiman (MD), Region VI Secretary.

The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

- 1. **Call to Order and Welcome**—President Sherisa Nailor called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. on Monday, November 29, 2021, and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. **Reflections and Pledge to the Flag**—President Elect Stan Scurlock presented reflections and led the board in the Pledge to the United States Flag.
- 3. **Approval of the Agenda**—Stan Scurlock moved, Robin McLean seconded, to approve the board meeting agenda with flexibility to change as necessary; the motion carried.
- 4. **Board and Staff Reports**—Sherisa Nailor asked each board member and staff member to give a brief report on their NAAE activities since the September board meeting.
- 5. **Membership Reports and Delegate Count**—Alissa Smith presented the final delegate count to be used for conducting business during this convention and discussed the election and voting process.
- 6. **Financial Reports**—Alissa Smith presented the current financial reports including the Ag Educators Relief Fund report and the 2020-21 final financial compilation for end of year June 30, 2021 and the NAAE Investment reports. Alissa provided an update of the 2022 NAAE Draft budget that will be discussed in the post-convention board meeting.
- 7. **2021 NAAE Convention Schedule**—Alissa Smith presented instructions to the board members in relation to convention processes including distribution of awards and information during regional meetings and professional development workshop facilitation. The board reviewed all details of the 2021 NAAE Convention.
- 8. **Board Nominating Committee** Eric Tilleman nominated Stan Scurlock for the office of NAAE president. Deanna moved, Todd Thomas seconded, for nominations to cease and to place Stan Scurlock into nomination for NAAE president; the motion carried. Todd Thomas nominated Deanna Theis for the office of NAAE president elect. Deanna Theis nominated Todd Thomas for the office of NAAE president elect. Eric Tilleman moved, Bill Newsom seconded, for nominations to cease and to place into nomination Todd Thomas and Deanna Theis for the office of NAAE president elect; the motion

carried. Sherisa Nailor will present the board nominating report at the opening general session of the 2021 NAAE Convention.

- 9. NAAE Convention Board Gatherings—It was agreed that the board would gather together for: 1) dinner at 6:30 pm Tuesday in the hotel lobby; 2) general session rehearsal on Tuesday morning at 11:00 am in the general session ballroom; and 3) officer installation rehearsal after the Friday luncheon in the general session ballroom.
- 10. Ag Ed Summit Review Sherisa Nailor discussed the summit and NAAE Board participation during the summit.
- 11. Adjournment—With no further business to transact at this time, President Sherisa Nailor adjourned the board meeting at 1:50 p.m.