**Minutes**

**AAE4-HA Meeting: COVID 19 Remote**

**March 30, 2020 1 PM**

**Attendees (49):**

Nicole Nichols

Lori Canada

Luke Nipper

Chelsey Kimbrough

Creenna Bocksnick

Jesse Bocksnick

Harlee Haney

Cindy Ham

Morgan Taylor

Hope Bragg

Hanan Douglas

Amy Simpson

Billie Collins

Jessica Street

Alicia Hugen

Pia Woods

Mike Simmons

Sara Beth Johnson

Shannon Caldwell

Rich Poling

Becky Sterner

Erica Williams

Janice Shofner

Laura Hendrix

Taylor Knox

Valerie Seefeld

Diane Mashburn

JJ Pitman

Ashley Dingman

Sarah Enoch

Valerie Turner

Amanda Welch

Bethany Bailey

Alta Lockley

C Sweeney

Jewell Miller

Emilee Moody

Rachel Bearden

Megan Maulden

Caramie Edwards

Shea Wilson

Priscella Thomas-Scott

Angie Freel

Casey Jarding

Hannah McCoy

Eric DeVries

Lance Blythe

Anna Goff

Megan Huddleston

There are 55 current members of AAE4-HA.

**Action Items:**

* Hope Bragg, Creenna Bocksinick, & Bethany Bailey will meet immediately after the zoom for the financial audit.
* Hope Bragg will send PD recommendations from Valerie S. to appropriate administration.
* Lori Canada contact Amy Cole about edits to the AAE4-HA website.
* ALL MEMBERS
	+ Send in a donation of $30 (or what you can) for 4-H scholarship. Credit Union transfers be sure to cc Elizabeth E.
	+ Send in newsletter articles to Erica W. by May 1.
	+ Send in nominations for Person of the year to Erica W. Nomination forms on their way soon.
	+ Send in application incentive ideas to Erica W. for 2021. We want to up our numbers for Memphis!
	+ Send in fundraising ideas to Samantha Kroll and cc Hope Bragg & Creenna Bocksnick
	+ RECRUIT RECRUIT RECRUIT

**Meeting Minutes:**

* Hope brought the meeting to order.
* Minutes – Lori Canada
	+ Sara Beth made motion to accept minutes
	+ Rich Poling second
* Treasures Report – Hope Bragg for -Elizabeth Easley
	+ Creenna & Bethany will join Hope for financial audit after the meeting
	+ Discussed the loss of the auction funds and that each member could give $30 (or what you can give). $30 will fully cover. Valerie will send Hope a template for transfers from the Credit union. Please cc Elizabeth so she knows that there is funds coming in for that scholarship
	+ Reimbursement procedures – are changing
* Committee Reports
	+ Finance & Operations – Elizabeth Easley
	+ Marketing & Outreach – Samantha Kroll
		- t-shirts and pizzas turned out well. Consider donating soda to sell so that we have 100% profit. We will need help with manning stations.
	+ President’s Council – Stephany Rogers/Vacant
	+ Professional Development – Valerie Seefeld
		- Sent recommendations for professional development that included peer-to-peer with agents. Diane Mashburn recommended to send to Angie Freel & Martha Sartor to send out. Hope will dig them out and send to the appropriate people.
	+ Research & Programs -- Vacant
	+ State Relations – Vacant
	+ Member Services – Erica Williams /Hope will be her voice if needed –
		- Newsletter, try to get one before summer and another before Christmas. Erica is asking for articles and get them to her by May 1. Some ideas are for summer programming, article for what to expect at a national conference
		- Person of the year (program assistant, state specialist, county agent, volunteer) – these will be given at State O-Rama. Erica will send out within the next couple of weeks to get these nominations in. These recipients will receive plaques. The past couple of years she has been able to recycle old plaques and been saving money.
* Awards – Erica Williams /Hope will be her voice if needed
	+ Please read national rules for these awards. They changed a lot this year with abstracts. A lot of applications were dinged because things were overlooked that nationals set.
	+ Thanks to all the judges to help.
	+ You can no longer put the same application in multiple categories. You must select one area.
	+ Erica is trying to get a working training to help submit applications for next year. Looking for incentives to increase our application numbers. If you can think of anything for the incentives please let Erica know.
	+ State Awards were announced. These winners will be recognized at Boise at NAE4-HA.
		- Communicator Awards
			* Published Photo - Creenna Bocksnick
			* Feature Story - Creenna Bocksnick
			* Exhibit - Jesse Bocksnick
			* Promotional Piece, Individual - Hanan Douglas
			* Educational Piece, Individual - Hope Bragg
			* Personal Column - Elizabeth Easley
			* Promotional Package, Individual - Creenna Bocksnick
		- Specialty Awards
			* Life Member Award – Mike Klumpp
			* First Time Attendee - Elizabeth Easley
			* Excellence in Geospatial Programs Award – Hope Bragg
		- Service Awards
			* AAE4-HA Rookie of the Year – Valerie Seefeld
			* Achievement in Service - Samantha Kroll and Valerie Turner
			* Distinguished Service Award - Eric DeVries and Diane Mashburn
	+ Shannon made a point if we wanted to recognize more than 2 we have to increase membership to 101 members. Erica confirmed those numbers. So if we want to recognize more, we need to recruit more. Jesse noted that we can look at office mates and that anyone (including Program assistants).
* New Business
	+ Name Change of AAE4-HA to reflect NAE4-HYDP
		- Jesse confirmed that we do not have to keep the same name as nationals. He made note that when we say “agents” that know what we mean but could see that using the word “professionals” would be beneficial. Diane M. reiterated those comments. Erica asked if we would consider using the word “educator” to be more inclusive. Hanan made a suggestion that we wait to see after the national meeting to talk with other states to see what they are doing and get more of a feel of what other states are doing. Jesse & Hope made a note that it will be several steps to change name (bylaws, accounts, etc.) It was general consensus to wait until after the fall national meeting to figure out what our state recommendation will be.
	+ Bylaw review
		- Not required at this moment.
	+ Document/History archive
		- It will reside in LRSO and will be cleaned up. Rich Poling said he would help Hope clean up the files and put in a safe storage location. Any other volunteers to stroll down memory lane. Angie mentioned to scan and document digitally. Rich noted that some associations have a historian to help with these documents that we can utilize. Lori will look into information on the website so Secretary can have access and help with housing those digital documents.
	+ Fundraising help
		- See notes above.
		- If you have any suggestions please send to Samantha Kroll and cc Creenna B & Hope B.
* New Officers
	+ Proposed Slate
		- Past President- Hope Bragg
		- President Creenna Bocksnick
		- President Elect – Samantha Kroll
		- Vice President – Hanan Douglas
		- Secretary – Lori Canada
		- Treasurer – Elizabeth Easley
		- Delta VP – Alta Lockley
		- Ouachita VP – Cindy Ham
		- Ozark VP – Sara Enoch
		- LRSO – Ashley Dingman
	+ Diane Mashburn made a motion to accept the slate and Rich Poling seconded.
* Hope turned the meeting over to Creenna.
* Jesse motioned to adjourn. Jessica Street seconded.