

Agenda Items- CCA Meeting October 21, 2016

9: 00 AM Introductions : Benny Kitten, Thaine Kramer, Jeff Tichota, Tom Hall, Don Gallegos, Troy Bauder, Kierra Jewell, Thia Walker, Brad Walker. Missing: Wes Pollart, Bob Leisy, Terry Kohler.

- Review and Accept last meeting minutes
 - Motion to accept minutes from last meeting: Dave
 - Seconded motion: Jeff
 - All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
 - To do item for Kierra: update website with information on meetings and post past minutes. Also send email to let CCA members know about the Soil and Crop department's recent distinguished scholars that were CCAs.

- Review Board membership
 - Kierra has chart
 - Brad is taking over president for 2017
 - Don Gallegos ends his term 2016- he will find someone at CDA to replace him for the spring meeting.
 - Jeff Tichota ends his term 2016- Brad will solicit volunteers for the board to replace Jeff at the Ft. Morgan crop clinic in November.
 - Tom Hall ends his term 2016- Tom will stay on as past chair for two years until his replacement is found.

- Committee Reports
 - Exam -Troy
 - Feb Exam – Feb 3rd at the Ranch. 8-5pm
 - Need proctors to sign up: Benny and Kierra will handle the afternoon session and Thaine and Brad will handle the morning session. Troy will bring out the materials in the morning.
 - The exam now needs to be turned in by November 1st so the committee met and finalized the test. It was submitted by the time the board had their meeting.
 - Looking into specialty exams: 4r nutrients, resistance management, etc. We should explore what we need to do in order to get into the special exams or certifications. Tom will do some research and report back to the board. Madison is likely to provide the test since they already have POs listed. People may already be able to sign up.
 - Check with Sandra about the email she sent soliciting nominees for a workshop. Tom will nominate Dave. How many others have been nominated. (Answer: 5-6 from other emails that have come in through Kierra. They should go straight to Sandra though.)
 - Motion to waive the fee for Colorado students for the Colorado portion of the exam.

- Made by Dave. seconded by Don. All are in favor, none opposed, motion passed.
- Troy will let the class know and also look into an alternative day for students to take the test which is allowed by Madison.
- PO updates- will add one on timing in the NM section. Look at updating POs for NM to reflect 4R.
- Considering doing a 2 year exam so we can get better stats since we have a small sample size. Board agreed with this decision.
- Need more weed management questions.
- Finance - Brad
 - Program is very stable.
 - We raised the fee by \$5 which will translate into about a \$750 increase in income from last year.
 - Options going forward:
 - Raise fee more?
 - Merge with larger state? No likely.
 - Ask agribusiness community to step up and support CCA. Ask them to sponsor the meeting. \$250/company. Money goes into our account to spend on items that we need to spend on- support, travel to national meeting , etc. Tom will be asking for this support around agribusiness now to see how it goes.
 - The board would like to see how this goes and then hopefully we won't need the support once membership grows.
 - ASA costs \$75 for membership, Colorado is now \$30.
 - CCA with co sponsor the fall crop clinic out in Fort Morgan.
- Standards and Ethics- Thaine
 - Membership for last 5 years- data shared via email.
 - 11 people certified in 2016. 2 people appealed because they were short credits.
 - We should send out a welcome email to the new people so they have website information. Also so they know they have to get their credits in every 2 years. Kierra will work with Tom on this email.
- Education
 - Self study modules: Thia will look up process.
 - Reno meeting on NM is good. It's held every other year in March.
- New Business
 - WPS affecting crop advisors. Potential program. -Thia Walker
 - Chem reps may need to become certified.
 - Could potentially bring in new CCAs.
 - The CDA-Pesticide Program could certify CO CCA as a program that would meet the 'certified crop advisor' WPS exemption policy?

- Thia will be meeting John Scott and will get a clarification.
- Two sections in POs for our CCA test could qualify us being an exemption as part of this WPS.
- Troy will try to talk with Luther from Madison at ASA about this. Thia will ask EPA if ASA's CCA program qualifies.
- Train the trainer session that Thia is working on will also be helpful.

12:00 PM Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Dave. Seconded by Jeff. All in favor, motion passed.