

Agenda Items- CCA Meeting November 3, 2017; Adams County Extension Office

9:00 AM Introductions : Brad Walker, Benny Kitten, Dave Green, Kierra Jewell, Thia Walker, Wes Pollart, Lanny Huston. By phone: Mike Rigirozzi, Troy Bauder

- Review and Accept last meeting minutes.
 - Dave motioned to approve, Brad seconded. All in favor. Minutes approved.
- Review Board membership
 - Kierra has chart
 - Brad will work on finding someone for the other CCA @ large slot that is currently empty and the Certified Professional Ag slot that Tom Hall is vacating by retiring.
 - NRCS is starting to look at the possibility of requiring for employees again but a CCA is not required to serve on the board.
 - Update to the bylaws, possible change them so that people can serve 3, 3-year terms instead of two terms.
 - Lanny will look in his records to see what he can find for by laws.
 - Right now Thaine and Lanny have verified that we do not have our own set of bylaws, but rather adopted national's bylaws.
 - We aren't sure where the 2, 3-year term is defined. Will research more and then revisit the issue of extending terms for people.
- Committee Reports
 - Exam -Troy
 - Exam – Feedback
 - Troy is going to be taking a break/smaller role this year while he works in his new position. He may be able to revisit the issue next year but for now he will not be on the exam committee.
 - Madison suggested that we re-use the same test as last year in order to get better statistics on the questions. Troy agrees that reusing the test would allow us to gather some better information about the test in general.
 - Troy does not feel that the test has been compromised in any way and feels confident that the same test could be used.
 - Benny and Dave agree and both are on the exam committee.

- Motion to reuse the 2017 exam for 2018 made by Dave. Seconded by Lanny. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed. Kierra will let Michelle in Madison know. (task completed by Kierra 11/6/17)
 - Proctoring for February exam: Lanny and Brad in the morning, Kierra and Benny in the afternoon.
- Finance/Budget - Brad
 - Thia will create a brochure for WPS/CCA exemption
 - Kierra will look for a becoming a CCA brochure from Madison to share during promotion events. (found link to marketing materials and shared to board 11/6/17)
 - Add last year's crop clinic sponsors to website. Kierra added them 11/6/17 to the News page.
 - Changed budget worksheet:
 - Added \$100 to misc income
 - Increased income from renewals from \$2000 to \$4000
 - Added regional travel expense for \$400
 - Decreased marketing and promotion budget from \$1000 to \$400
 - Makes the total net profit/loss, \$911 loss.
 - Dave motioned to approve budget with changes. Wes seconded. All in favor, none opposed.
 - Brad will send Kierra and updated budget to send to HQ.
- Standards and Ethics- Thaine
 - Daniel Banks – Pending approval – 10/23/17
 - No reason to not approve. Our standards do not specify experience type. Need to word as cannabis so that hemp is included for the future. Grades, education and experience are good.
 - Some board members shared their concern for his experience being in the greenhouse/MJ grow industry, as their representative organizations do not want them to touch MJ.
 - Madison HQ and the Co. Dept of Ag classify cannabis as an “agricultural crop” and it should be treated as such. Mike shared the definitions from CDA. Thaine had previously asked Lacey at Madison and she sent an email that defined it as a crop also.
 - Vote to approve: 6 for and 3 against. Motion to approve passed. (Bob Leisy, Wes Pollart voted against)
 - 11/6/17: placed on hold for approval pending a few questions raised by other board members not present at the meeting.
 - David Murray – Pending approval – 10/23/17 (approved)

- Marcus McDonald – Request waiver on CO testing Requirement
 - Decided after discussion that because our precedent is to approve only those CCA's whose states touch Colorado, approving Marcus from Virginia would not be in following with that precedent. Marcus will need to take the Colorado portion of the exam and pass it in order to get his Colorado CCA.
 - Motion to deny transfer of CCA from Wes. Seconded by Dave. All in favor, none opposed.
 - Elaine Daily – Approved March 2017
 - Patrick Halde – Approved March 2017
 - Dalton McMurphy – Approved June 2017
 - Steven Girmus – Approved June 2017
 - Jonathan Bailey – Approved June 2017
 - Education CSU Crop Clinic. Dec. 5th & 6th
 - Honorarium is going to speaker from South Dakota
 - Travel expenses being paid to a few speakers.
 - Spoke with Wilma about sharing the profits but because of the items above, there are none to share.
 - We could potentially do zoom presentations in the future to cut back on travel costs.
 - Will try to get corporate sponsors to allow CCA to get some revenue. Can put logos on the website. Need to work on getting these before the brochure goes out next year so we can add logos to that brochure.
 - Tell corporate sponsors that their support is going to travel and speaker's fees. And/or lunches/breaks. So they clearly know where their money is going.
 - Need to discuss a better location with better internet connection with Wilma next year.
- New Business
 - Up-date on WPS affecting crop advisors. EPA exemption -Thia
 - Thia is working on this
 - Specialty certifications – Brad
- Resistance Management Specialty (RMS) Certification
- Sustainability Specialty (SSp) Certification
- 4R Nutrient Management Specialty (4R NMS) Certification
- Next meeting, March 9th 9am-noon. Adams county fairgrounds. Kierra will reserve. (Email sent 11/6/17 to reserve)

12:00 PM Adjourn