

Agenda Items- CCA Meeting March 9, 2018; Adams County Extension Office

9:00 AM Introductions:

Thia Walker, Thaine Kramer, Bob Leisy, Wes Pollart, Kierra Jewell, Brad Walker, Dave Green, Lanny Huston, Mike Rigirozzi (by phone)

- Review and Accept last meeting minutes
 - Motion to approve- Dave. Thaine seconded. All in favor. None opposed
- Review Board membership
 - Kierra has chart
 - Updated chart to include Bonnie Laws (sp?) to replace Thaine at CDPHE next year.
 - Updated chart for Ron Meyer to take over for Thia
 - Updated chart to have Merlin VanDeraa take over for Tom Hall's position
 - Voted on changes. Motion to approve Bob. Second Dave. All in favor, none opposed.
 - Update to the bylaws, possible change them so that people can serve 3, 3-year terms instead of 2.
 - Motion to keep the same of 2 terms of 3 years each so that we can have good turnover. Motion by Brad, seconded by Wes. All in favor, none opposed.
- Committee Reports
 - Exam –Kierra (Benny was unable to make meeting)
 - Results are not in yet. They should be sent to us soon.
 - 22 people took the test.
 - A good amount seemed to be from AgFinity and several were students. Good turnout.
 - Discussed that at some point the feeling from Madison was that they would like to take over the state exams. They are collecting our questions each year, but since the first year that was started, no talk has been said about taking it over.
 - Possibilities could be that they want to have a bank of questions in the event other states don't have enough questions.
 - As a board we would like a say in what questions go on our state exam, as we are in a different region than other states.
 - According to their bylaws, Madison would have to amend them in order to take over a state exam, so that is not likely.
 - The board did make motion to maintain our own exam and push back against Madison if they want to take it over.

Motion by Bob, seconded by Lanny. All in favor, none opposed.

- We could potentially turn our questions into funding if we were the ones to sell the questions to other states.
 - We need to send someone to CCA meeting because the exam is discussed there. Dave and Bob are looking into it and will try to go.
 - Exam is usually due in Nov/Dec. Benny, Thaine and Dave are still interested in helping even though Troy is off the committee. We decided to wait until after the results are given before determining a date. Madison is giving us extra stats since our exam didn't change from last year so we can make better decisions on test questions.
- Finance/Budget - Brad
- Thia will work on the WPS brochure in April for CCA/WPS. Kierra will remind her.
 - Kierra will post to website once it's finished.
 - Kierra will check the website to make sure that it's easier to find the CEU application. We have had some entities waiting too long for approval.
 - We will have more income than our budget states because we had more test takers.
 - WPS seems to be helping drive testing/CCA membership. NRCS might be helping the push too.
 - \$1700 from CCA crop clinic sponsors:
 - Motion to send money to Madison to keep in our account. Made by Bob, seconded by Dave. All in favor. None opposed.
 - We can let sponsors know that the money will be used to fund our budget and future workshops.
 - Brad will get logos and sponsors from Wilma and send thank you notes.
 - Kierra will put sponsors on website.
 - CCA clinic for 2018:
 - Need to check dates and get planning. Helena chem. Wants to send people but it conflicted last year.
 - If we start sooner, we can solicit sponsors sooner.
 - Brad will talk with Wilma regarding dates and planning.
- Standards and Ethics- Thaine
- Daniel Banks approval and future applicants (Bob)
 - Discussion is around new information that has come to light regarding the Daniel Banks approval from last meeting for CCA. He was a CCA applicant with only greenhouse experience in the MJ industry. After the meeting and

approval by our board, Bob asked us to hold off on approval and also spoke to Madison. Brad also contacted Madison and put a hold on the approval. Unfortunately, Madison went through with the approval, and Luther took it to the ICCA board. Approval was granted and he is on the CCA list.

- Discussion then surrounded what we do- can we renege on the approval or how does this work?
 - The issue comes about because of the companies Daniel worked for are being accused of mis-application of pesticides for MJ. He was listed as a supervisor at these companies although whether he made these decisions or was there at the time of violation, is still not concrete. It's an ethics concern if he knew the application was wrong and did it anyway.
 - Mike from CDA asked to recuse himself from the discussion because of the federal/state nature of MJ. Although he did state that is the policy of the CDA to fine/punish the companies rather than the individuals in a complaint. If the issue is egregious enough, they will go down to the level of the employee but it is rare.
 - Much of the discussion centered around the MJ industry itself and that since Federal law prohibits the cultivation, there are no federal standards to take up against. State standards are still being developed and the pesticide industry is still trying to catch up to the industry.
 - The newness of the industry and standards make it hard to dismiss applications; especially when ICCA has determined that it will be accepted.
 - Ultimately the decision was made to watch and see. If the case against the company Daniel worked for is found guilty, and it is determined that he definitely worked there and/or made those decisions, and ethics violation can be brought up against him. We would then follow the ethics violation procedures written in the ICCA bylaws. Potentially he could lose his CCA.
 - Glen Murray: would like permission to make up 4 credits he missed in the next cycle in addition to his regular credits. Dave motioned to accept, Bob seconded. All in favor, none opposed.
- Education
 - What do we do with sponsorships from CSU crop clinic? Over \$1700 (see discussion in budget section)
 - New Business

- Next meeting is Oct. 19th 9-noon at Adams county fairgrounds. Kierra will book.

12:00 PM Adjourn