

TESA Business Meeting, July 18, 2014, 10:45 a.m.

Attending: Bonaiti, Byrns, Cavanagh, Coker, Dozier, Granovsky, Hurley, Jackson, Jones, Klose, Mitchell-Linger, Payne, Warrick, White, Williams, Young

Young appointed Byrns parliamentarian.

Minutes from last meeting have already been approved and are on the website.

Young announced that the Buddy Faries retirement party would be Aug. 15 at the Hildebrand Equine Complex on the Texas A&M College Station campus.

Financial report – The treasurer’s report was accepted by board and will be sent for audit.

4-H Foundation – Byrns represents TESA on the board. He reported that Hamm is the new executive director and went through her first 4-H Roundup. Several trustees are going off the board. The foundation receives about \$2.6 million in scholarship giving in a year.

Nominating committee – Young announced the officer election results:

Diann Mitchell-Linger – President

DeDe Jones – President-Elect

Mac Young – Past President

Helen White – Secretary

Steven Klose – Treasurer

Emmy Williams – Historian

Audit committee– Young said that Cavanagh presented the audit report to the board and the board approved it. Cavanagh asked if Burton plans to continue as chair of that committee and is there someone who would like to serve with her. If so, let Mitchell-Linger know.

Membership committee – Young reported that the board approved that first-year members not pay the registration fee for the annual meeting.

Awards and Scholarships committee – The following awards were announced the awards dinner on July 17:

CEA – Ag. and Natural Resources – Gary Cross, Hale County

Specialty-Horticulture – Barbara Storrs, Hidalgo County

FCS – Deanna Franklin, McClennon County

Outstanding Support – Candice Foster, Department of Agricultural Economics

Scholarship – Thomas Dozier

Honorary Lifetime Membership – Jan Kyles

Excellence in Peanut Education – Jason Woodard

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Promotion Task Force– Young said that Deatherage will send a draft of the document administration has prepared for the committee to review. Will be kept confidential for now.

Collaboration Task Force – Mitchell-Linger will look at this.

Website – Young told the group to send suggestions to Williams.

Unfinished Business –

2015 Annual Meeting – T Bar M in New Braunfels, July 20-22.

Chapter Directors – Had training on July 17. Give ideas for training to Cavanagh or Mitchell-Linger.

Retirees – Nothing to add to Memorials from what was covered at the dinner on July 16.

Additional items:

Klose – For questions to the administrators at the December meeting in Brownwood, bring up the fact that a hindrance to people coming to this meeting is the type of money that can be used. Also, ask about salary enhancements and what money can be used for that.

Cavanagh – Start earlier on getting questions to the administrators for the December meeting in Brownwood. Klose agreed.

Klose – If money is provided to associations for professional development, since we've waived the registration fee, can we use that money to get more people to this meeting?

Jones – Suggested having a panel of new specialists on the annual meeting program as a follow-up to the career ladder.

Cavanagh made a motion to make the refund of the registration fee retroactive to this year's meeting.

Granovsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

There will be a refund of the registration fee to attendees Jackson, Pierce, and Bonaiti.

Young expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve as president this past year and the help everyone gave him and the association.

Officers for 2014-2015 were installed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.