

KACAA Annual Fall Business Meeting
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
Kansas State University Student Union – Wildcat Chamber

President Chris Long called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. There were 55 members and guests present in-person and via Zoom (recorded).

Guest Speakers

Dr. Nellie Hill, KSU Associate Professor in Ag Communications, highlighted a multi-state ag literacy project they are conducting. She encouraged all ag agents to complete their survey as well as pass it along to others that might be interested in assisting.

Lynne Hinrichsen, Farm Rescue Development Officer, gave an overview of their organization and how they help family farms and ranches bridge crises so they have an opportunity to continue viable operations. She asked that we keep their group in mind when working with local farm families that are in need. She also said they are always looking for volunteers.

Previous Minutes

Dennis Patton moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 2021 KACAA Spring Meeting and approve as emailed. Jared Petersilie seconded. Motion carried.

Communications

Secretary Brian Rees read thank you notes from Chad Hibdon (scholarship) and Cathy Flinchbaugh (memorial). He also said he had received the 2021 Endowment Report for the KACAA Educational Scholarship Fund that is with the KSU Foundation (attached). Carter Minson also emailed a thank you for his scholarship.

Officer Reports

President / Northwest Director: Chris Long announced there have been a number of new hires across the state with many more to come. For the northwest area, he reintroduced Renee Tuttle and Anthony Reardon in the West Plains District, announced Kelsi Wertz had been hired in Golden Prairie District, and Hallie Anderson in Kearny County.

Secretary/Treasurer/President Elect/Southeast Director: Brian Rees presented the Treasurer's Report showing a 9/30/2021 Checkbook Balance of \$26,254.59 and a 9/30/21 Savings Balance of \$10,197.61 (attached). The 2021-22 Budget had not yet been drafted. He also introduced Chad Guthrie in the Southwind District, Calla Edwards in Butler County, and Bruno Pedreira, an agronomist stationed at the Southeast Research-Extension Center in Parsons. He reminded members about the opportunity to ask administration questions through JCEP.

Vice President / Northeast Director: Cade Rensink introduced Haley Whitehair in the Chisolm Trail District, Marcus Preuninger in Reno County, and Blaire Todd in Post Rock. He also mentioned that Ryan Schaub in Frontier District transferred from being a hort agent to crops.

Past President / At-Large Director: Dennis Patton introduced Juju Wellemeyer in Johnson County

Professional Improvement Account Chairman: Chuck Otte handed out the Policy Committee treasury report for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 (attached). The total value of

investments with KSU Foundation increased substantially to \$164,232.84 due to excellent returns. Chuck said it is time for him to pass the responsibility of this account off and Richard Fechter has agreed to take it over starting this fall.

Standing Council & Committee Reports

Leadership & Administrative Skills: Chairman Chuck Otte said NACAA is planning for an in-person event on July 17-22, 2022 in West Palm Beach, Florida. He encouraged everyone to go to the national website and start looking for details. Additionally, he said to take advantage of travel grants to help offset costs. Be sure to apply for awards if qualified. Talk with boards about attending – even if during county fair.

Policy: Chairman Dennis Patton reported those members present were Dennis Patton, Chuck Otte, Richard Fetcher, and Chris Long. Chris Long will be chair for the 21-22 year as the chair position is the past president. Action Taken by Policy Committee - 1. Discussed the process of updating bylaws to reflect the changes in the Extension districts to East, Central and West. The committee will move to approve a by-law change at the spring meeting. The motion will be made to move forward with this ailment. The KACAA board will elect one director and one vice director from each of the three Extension areas, East, Central, West, at large from any county or district in the state and horticulture agent. The sixth member of the board will be the past president. 2. Move to approve the following directors to the KACAA board: East - Brian Rees, Director and Anastasia Meyer, Vice Director; Central - Cade Rensink, Director and Justin Goodno, Vice Director; West – to be determined; At Large – Stacey Campbell, Director and Abbie Powell, Vice Director; Horticulture – Kelsey Hatesohl, Director and Jason Graves, Vice Director. 3. Move to transition the management of the Professional Improvement Fund accounts from Chuck Otte to Richard Fetcher during the 2021 – 2022 year. 4. Move to transfer remaining funds (\$2,188.97) in the 2011 AM/PIC account into the scholarship fund.

Search for Excellence: Chairman Cade Rensink announced that Kansas had a very successful year in the SFE program. KACAA had entries in two different categories. He was a National Finalist in the Young, Beginning, or Small Farmer/Rancher division and Greg McClure was the state runner-up. The Farm Financial Skills for Kansas Women in Agriculture team had the National Winner in the Farm and Ranch Business Management division. Cade handed out certificates to all of the winners.

4-H & Youth: Chair Carla Nemecek reported the committee continues to have ongoing discussions regarding Kansas 4-H Policy regarding livestock. She also said they talked about the fact that there has been a decline in the District Horse Show participation.

Professional Excellence: Chairman Keith Van Skike announced that the 2021 AA winners were Anastasia Meyer and Justin Goodno. There were no DSA applications. He encouraged those with less than 10 years to consider applying for the AA and those with 10 or more to submit for DSA. Applications need to be sent to him by December 1. Winners must be present at AM/PIC. So, look at dates closely. Vice Chair Rachael Boyle announced that poster submissions for Applied Research and Education need to be turned in by March 15.

Communications: Chair Anastasia Meyer reported that awards were announced in the spring. Everyone should have received their certificates and checks, but there was still one check yet to clear. There were 33 applications for 2021. She said the committee is working on a survey that Wendie Powell is heading up. Those wanting to apply for 2022 need to have everything turned in by March 15.

Scholarship: Chuck Otte reported that those members with seniors need to make sure to have them fill out the KSU Scholarship application and mark the KACAA box to be eligible for the scholarship funds. He also explained how members can contribute to the NACAA Scholarship Fund to be eligible for national academic / professional development funds of up to \$1,000. With the Smixer coming up, now is a great time to contribute to both the state and national funds through the auction.

Public Relations & Agricultural Issues: Chair Cheri Nelsen reported that this year's Friend of County Agent Award will be given to Mary Knapp who is retiring as the KSU State Climatologist. She will be recognized at the Smixer.

Smixer: Chairman Randy Hein reported Shad Marston, Kelsey Hatesohl, and Kyle Grant were in attendance. Arrangements for Wednesday Oct 20th were discussed. A new chairman was discussed, but no action taken.

Early Career Development: Chairman Marty Gleason reported there were nine members present. Under old business, Marty discussed the recommendation to include a New Agent Campus Tour. The suggestion was to conduct a tour allowing new agents to meet with a campus specialist in their field. With the revised New Agent Training that will no longer be an option. Marty reported that he and ECDC member, Kurt Werth, met with Jennifer Wilson on October 18, 2021 to discuss New Agent Training. Jennifer stated the New Agent Coaching Team is being developed. Jennifer had stated that KSRE is expecting to add 40-50 new agents in the next 12 months. New Agent Training will be a combination of Zoom and on campus. New Agents will not be on campus until 4-6 weeks on the job. James Coover, ECDC member and a part of the New Agent Coaching Team, was in attendance. James stated many of the details and implementation of the Coaching Team are still to be worked out. Both Jennifer and James stated that existing agents will be expected to reach out to new agents and become part of the network as resources for the new agents. It was suggested that the "Best Resources List" be updated and sent to all ANR agents through listserv, assigned Mentor(s) but also additional agents helping new agents in developing a network of support.

Teaching & Educational Technologies: Anthony Reardon reported that the committee plans to conduct a needs assessment via survey this winter to gauge what areas the association can help with in terms of technology.

Professional Improvement Council Reports

Agricultural Economics and Community Development: Vice Chair Cade Rensink reported there were two members present plus Brian Rees. They talked about various "holes" in the staffing within Ag Econ, but, overall, they are in pretty good shape. They discussed the new Office for Farm and Ranch Transition that will be starting this winter. Finally, they assessed the status of the Community Vitality staff. The committee sees a need for more small business resources within KSRE.

Agronomy & Pest Management: Chair Jeanne Falk Jones reported there were 16 members present. Topics discussed: Agronomy eUpdate Survey: Members were reminded to fill out the survey for the eUpdate. The survey will be open until tomorrow evening. This will help direct the future of the eUpdate. Open Positions: It was mentioned that there are several open specialist Extension positions (in agronomy, plant pathology and entomology). This will be discussed in old business during the business meeting. Agent Mentorship: The newly formed Agent Coaching Team was discussed. James Coover (from this group) is a member of this team. He mentioned that this team and its mission are still fluid. Concerns were addressed on having a mentor in areas of crop production and located relatively close to

them. As neighboring agents, folks will likely reach out to help new agents. However, maybe this needs to be formalized and (maybe) the Crops PFT and the KACAA Agronomy and Pest Management Committee will be able to help with/support this. It would also be helpful for new agents to have a list of agents/specialists and their specialty area.

Animal Science: Chairman Jared Petersilie reported on some upcoming programs and dates, namely the Livestock PFT Meeting that will be held on Nov 4 (most likely) in Oakley. He said Calving School dates and locations have been announced. Jared also reminded members to make sure they are using specialists for programs and field assistance. If we don't portray a demand for those positions, administration won't see a need to keep them filled.

Horticulture and Turfgrass: Jason Graves reported there were 11 people present. The committee is planning and having discussions for a spring meeting. They are working on promoting the K-State Garden Hour. He also was pleased to announce that the department will be interviewing for the Extension Assistant that will be in charge of statewide Master Gardener and kind of be the "new Ward Upham".

Natural Resources and Aquaculture: Chair Stacie Minson reported she was joined by Juju Wellemeier for the meeting. There are continued efforts on the Blue-Green Algae project as well as other pond water quality programs. They have received some funding to update the Livestock Watering Handbook (S147) that was done in 2007. The book will be greatly expanded as be filled with more modern designs. There is also some work to be done on updating the Residential Water Quality Series of publications. They need state specialist support and funding. KDHE would like to run with doing this, but KSU might lose some identity and it might not always be beneficial to have a government logo on the cover. The KSU Pollution Prevention Institute has also done some work and taken the lead on several of the resources. She encouraged agents to contact one or more of the Watershed Specialists to express concern about the publications and the need for them to be revised by KSU. Stacie also asked people to suggest program ideas.

Old Business

Regional Alignment: Dennis Patton moved to move forward with the process of updating bylaws to reflect the changes in the KSRE local unit remapping to East, Central and West Regions (attached). Keith Van Skike seconded. In discussion, Dennis explained the committee will move to approve a formal by-law change at the spring meeting following the appropriate publishing guidelines set forth by KACAA. This motion is simply to get the ball rolling and be able to go ahead and elect one director and one vice director from each of the three Extension regions, At-Large from any county or district in the state (being mindful of representation across the state), and Horticulture. The sixth member of the board will be the Past President. Motion passed.

Spring Meeting Rotation: Chris Long explained that with COVID and not being able to have in-person meetings the last couple of years, the association meeting rotation has suffered. Additionally, with the realignment of directors, the four "old areas" will be gone. So, the members need to decide on how to handle spring workshop locations going forward. Carla Nemecek suggested a rotation of East, Central, West, and At-Large (in year four). Elly Sneath moved to align with the new regions (West, Central, East). Carla Nemecek seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Long appointed the Secretary to update the new rotation starting with the West Region.

New Business

Treasurer's Report: Jared Petersilie moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Shad Marston seconded. Motion carried.

Action Items from Committees: Dennis Patton moved to approve the following directors to the KACAA Board: East - Brian Rees, Director and Anastasia Meyer, Vice Director; Central - Cade Rensink, Director and Justin Goodno, Vice Director; West – To Be Determined; At-Large – Stacey Campbell, Director and Abbie Powell, Vice Director; Horticulture – Kelsey Hatesohl, Director and Jason Graves, Vice Director. Shannon Spencer seconded the motion and it carried.

Dennis Patton moved to transfer the management of the Professional Improvement Account from Chuck Otte to Richard Fechter. Anastasia Meyer seconded. Motion passed.

Dennis Patton moved to transfer the remaining \$2,188.97 in the 2011 AM/PIC account into the scholarship fund. Stacie Minson seconded. Motion passed.

AM/PIC Registrations: Chris Long asked the membership about reimbursing people that served as voting delegates and won AA or DSA Awards at the virtual AM/PIC this summer since there was a registration fee and, historically, the association gave a \$250 travel stipend to those folks. As a point of clarification, there was not registration fee for the virtual conference in 2020. He also explained there were too many board members who met these designations to feel comfortable in making the decision by themselves. Andrea Burns moved to reimburse the AA and DSA winners for the cost of their registration. Motion died due to the lack of a second. Dennis Patton moved to have the association reimburse the AA winners, DSA winners and voting delegates the cost of their registration for the 2021 virtual AM/PIC (\$100). Richard Fechter seconded. Motion carried.

Election of Vice President: Anastasia Meyer moved to elect Stacy Campbell as Vice President for 2021-22. Chuck Otte seconded. Motion carried.

Presidential Transfer: Chris Long thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve as KACAA President for the last 22 months and explained it was quite an experience. He then passed the gavel to President-Elect Brian Rees.

Announcements

Brian Rees reminded the members about the Annual Conference Social that evening as well as the Smixer location and times the following night. He also instructed people to get their 2021-22 dues paid to himself or Cade Rensink as soon as possible.

Adjournment

Shannon Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting. Elly Sneath seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cade B. Rensink
KACAA Secretary / Treasurer

2021 ENDOWMENT REPORT

**KACAA Educational Scholarship
Fund Number: N73903
July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**

Annual activity	Fiscal year 2021	Fiscal year 2020
Contributions	\$2,185.00	\$736.00
Expenditures to fund purpose	(\$1,200.00)	(\$3,050.00)

Summary	Fiscal year 2021	Fiscal year 2020
Endowment (principal)	\$45,909.78	\$33,810.71
Expendable (income)	\$2,009.90	\$1,659.61
Total fund balance	\$47,919.68	\$35,470.32

Please note that your fund's value reflects account transactions as well as market gains or losses.

2021 scholarship recipient report to follow under separate cover.

Understanding your endowment report

Contributions

Total contributions made to the fund throughout the fiscal year.

Expenditures to fund purpose

Dollars expended for stated purpose at Kansas State University.

Endowment (principal)

Market value of the endowed portion as of the date specified.

Expendable (income)

The portion of the total fund balance, as of the date specified, available to fund purpose.

Total fund balance

Endowment and expendable balance added together.

2020-2021 KACAA Checking Account Report

Date	Check#	Debits	Descriptions	Credits	Balance
11/1/2020			Beginning Balance		\$ 24,423.05
11/5/2020	1808	\$ 175.00	Cassie Homan - Comm x 5		\$ 24,248.05
11/5/2020	1809	\$ 140.00	Sandra Wick - Comm x 4		\$ 24,108.05
11/5/2020	1810	\$ 70.00	Shad Marston - Comm x 2		\$ 24,038.05
11/5/2020	1811	\$ 35.00	Frannie Miller - Comm		\$ 24,003.05
11/5/2020	1812	\$ 35.00	Anastasia Meyer - SFE		\$ 23,968.05
11/10/2020	1813	\$ 1,000.00	Flinchbaugh Scholarship Fund		\$ 22,968.05
11/19/2020			Dues by C Otte	\$ 2,610.00	\$ 25,578.05
11/19/2020			Dues by C Otte	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 27,453.05
11/24/2020			Dues - remote by BR	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,563.05
11/24/2020	EFT	\$ 0.50	Remote deposit fee		\$ 27,562.55
11/25/2020			Dues by D Henson	\$ 2,060.00	\$ 29,622.55
12/17/2020			Dues by D Henson	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 31,722.55
1/8/2021			Dues by D Henson	\$ 220.00	\$ 31,942.55
1/13/2021	1814	\$ 4,500.00	NACAA - Membership Dues		\$ 27,442.55
1/19/2021	1815	\$ 150.00	NACAA - Membership Dues		\$ 27,292.55
3/4/2021	1816	\$ 445.00	Kansas JCEP - 89 x \$5		\$ 26,847.55
3/4/2021	1817	\$ 467.96	Brian Rees - reimburse for 2020 cancelled PILD travel		\$ 26,379.59
3/11/2021			Dues by D Henson	\$ 260.00	\$ 26,639.59
5/6/2021	1818	\$ 70.00	Greg McClure - COMM x 2		\$ 26,569.59
5/6/2021	1819	\$ 70.00	Jeanne Falk-Jones - COMM x 2		\$ 26,499.59
5/6/2021	1820	\$ 35.00	Sandra Wick - COMM		\$ 26,464.59
5/6/2021	1821	\$ 35.00	Terry Griffin - COMM		\$ 26,429.59
5/6/2021	1822	\$ 35.00	Shad Marston - COMM		\$ 26,394.59
5/6/2021	1823	\$ 140.00	Cassie Homan - COMM x 4		\$ 26,254.59
		\$ 7,403.46		\$ 9,235.00	
			Current 9/30/2021 Bank Balance (#1811, \$35, outstanding)		\$ 26,289.59
			Current 9/30/2021 Checkbook Balance		\$ 26,254.59
			9/30/21 Savings Balance		\$ 10,197.61

Professional Improvement Account
Period: October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021
Chuck Otte, Policy Committee Treasurer

<u>Reserved Investments</u>	1983 Funds at KSU Foundation	\$ 44,000
	2011 Funds at KSU Foundation	\$ 55,346
<u>Current Investment Value</u>	Prof Improv Funds as of 9/30/2021	\$ 92,222.62
	Scholarship Funds as of 9/30/2021	\$ 46,149.78
	Expendable Prof Improv funds as of 9/30/2021	\$ 18,865.01
	Expendable Scholarship funds as of 9/30/2021	\$ 826.53
	Remaining 2011 AM/PIC Funds	\$ 2,188.97

Checking Account *(was not updated for September 30, 2021)*

Beginning Operating Balance, October 1, 2020 \$ 4,019.93

Receipts

Interest \$ 0.00

Total Receipts \$ 0.00

Expenses

Otte - Annual Corporation Report \$ 40.00

Total Expenses \$ 40.00

Ending Operating Balance, September 30, 2021 \$ 3,979.93

Encumbered Reserve for Professional Improvement and Support* \$ 10,000.00

Total Assets (Checking Account plus Funds with KSU Foundation) \$ 164,232.84

*KACAA has committed to support the 2023 AM/PIC in Iowa with \$5,000.

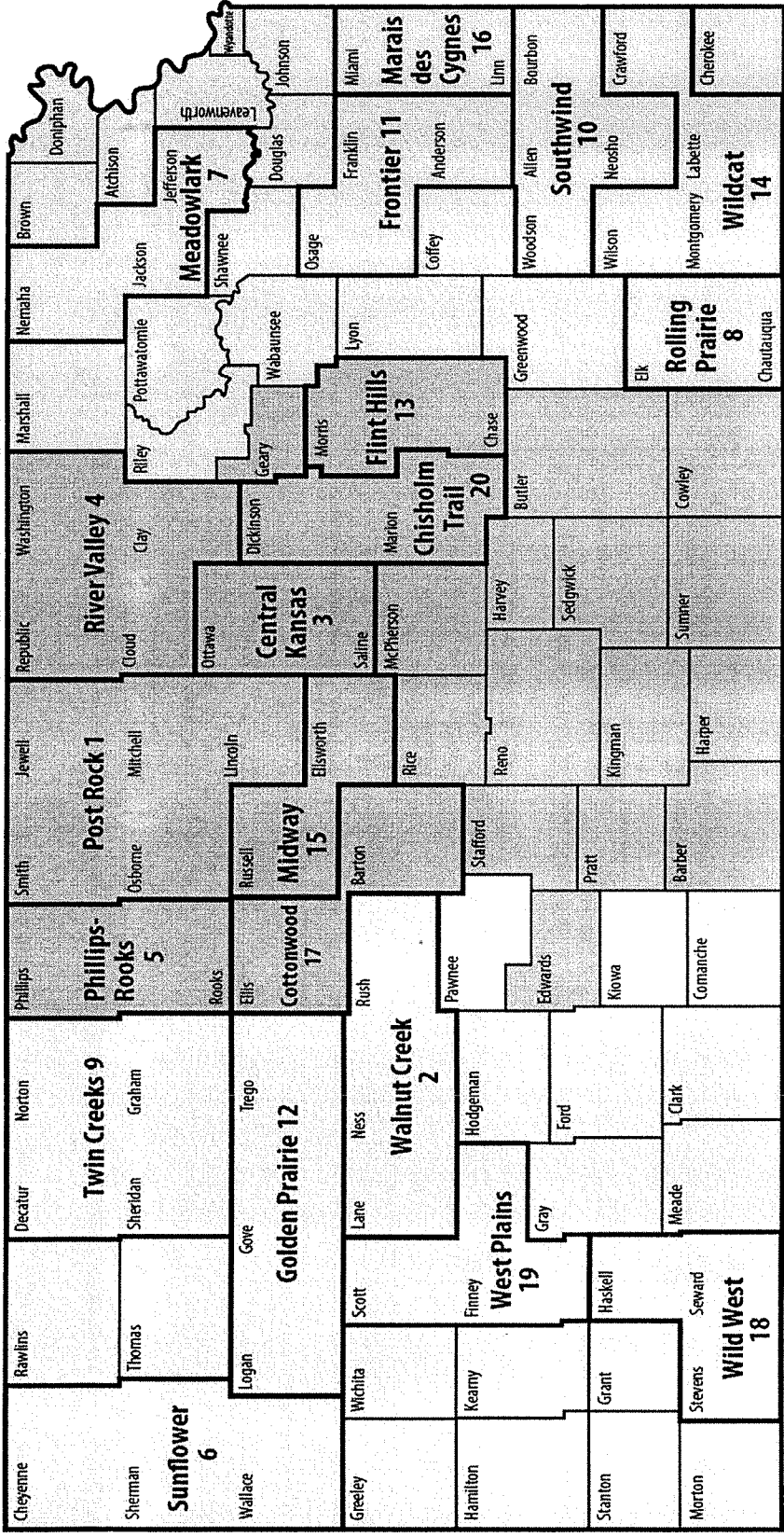
*KACAA has committed to support the 2023 Int'l Master Gardeners Conference in Overland Park with \$5,000

Original source of funds - 1983 Annual Meeting - \$44,000

2011 Annual Meeting - \$55,346.18

\$25,346.18 was transferred from 2011 funds to 1983 funds in Nov 2013

\$2,188.97 is still in the 2011 AM/PIC fund and not allocated



7/2020

Eastern

Central

Western

Regional Administration of Local Units