

**NSAC -- Far Western Chapter
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes-November 30, 2012
Via Conference Call at 9 AM**

<u>Attending:</u>		<u>Not Attending:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vanessa Harris • Christy Norton • Debi Wilson • Allen Ludlow • Bryan Andersen • Renee Avilla • Brendon Ronayne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toni Scott • Roger Coutts • Carrie Parrish • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keith Hesterberg • Gary De Young • K-Deep Dhaliwal

1. Review Minutes - Vanessa
 - The minutes from the October board meeting were approved with no changes

2. Time and Place- Allen
 - No changes for 2013 Meeting
 - 2014 Time and Place is San Diego. There was much discussion following the survey Christy put together to send to members. It was decided not to send the survey out. We will encourage members to take the opportunity to attend a National Conference. The Far West Chapter will hold a business meeting and absorb all costs associated with a reception type meeting.
 - The new Chapter Recognition Program gives points for having an Annual Meeting.
 - Allen suggested we get more involved with National for the 2014 meeting in exchange for receiving credit for having an annual meeting.
 - Involvement suggestions include:
 - Assist with finding Speakers
 - Participate on the Program Committee
 - Bring an Agricultural flavor by having products displayed from the Cooperatives who are members in the Far West Chapter.
 - Encourage Sponsorship with Set-ups.
 - Help identify extra curriculum activities in the area
 - Carrie is going to explore these options with National

3. Program Committee- Christy
 - Committee met on November 27th
 - Christy distributed the Program Committee minutes.
 - There are 5 confirmed Speakers.
 - The University of Wisconsin is a possible source of additional speakers.
 - Allen suggested breakouts to be held in the mornings as room availability is easier to obtain for morning meetings.

4. Recognition- Debi
 - Requirements for the Chapter Recognition Program was distributed to Board Members
5. Membership Update- Bryan
 - October membership decrease by 3 people from September
 - We had a new join, Kimberly Yost
 - Conrad Davis rejoined.
 - We are ranked 4th in members.
 - Total membership in National is 1570
6. Newsletter-Toni Scott
 - Toni will have a newsletter out after the 1st of the year.
 - Suggestions for topics in the Newsletter include:
 - Featuring new members
 - Highlighting long term members hitting big anniversaries
 - Article about Blue Diamond
 - Updates on the new repair regulations delay
 - Plug about our 2013 Annual meeting
 - Newsletter can get e-mailed through constant contact or through regular e-mail
7. Other items
 - Next program committee meeting January 8th at 9 AM
 - Next board meeting scheduled January 11th at 9 AM.
8. Meeting Adjourned at 10 AM.