Minutes of the LCAAA fall board meeting
October 28, 2011, Dean Lee Research Station

List of Attendees

1) Kurt Guidry
2) Mike Dunn
3) Rusty Batty
4) Nan Huff
5) Ed Twidwell
6) Barrett Courville
7) Allen Hogan
8) Stuart Gauthier
9) Brian Chandler
10) Louis Lirette
11) Bobby Soileau
12) Donna Morgan

0. Call to order and introductory remarks. Minutes from summer board meeting. Discussion by Brian Chandler. Lots of mistakes. Treasurer's report should be included in minutes. Misspelled names. Feels it was incomplete and inadequate. Wasn't detailed enough and checked. Alan Hogan - suggested Brian Chandler make corrections and additions and resubmit for review. Alan Hogan made it a motion. Seconded by Louis Lirette. Motion carried without objection.
1. Treasurer's report. Louis Lirette. Scholarship auction made 2,000. Made up for deficit by Bobby Soileau. Total income is better than anticipated and we have had very few expenses. As soon as we find out about JSEP and PILD we will know how much will come from Dr. Coreil's office. We are not short of funds that were reimbursed from Dr. Coreil's office previously. Brian Chandler suggests that award winners get their money at the state annual meeting before they go to the national meeting. Alan Hogan suggests making this policy. Brian Chandler asks whether or not NACAA reimbursing JSEP participants. Louis Lirette responded that they are receiving a stipend. We haven't got that money yet. We have $4265 in savings, $6,504, checking, cd is $73,414.20. No further discussion. Motion to approve made by Rusty Batty, seconded by Barrett Courville. Motion Passed without objection.
2. Modifications to budget - funds devoted to send annual meeting chair to national chair. Bobby Soileau didn't want it this year so it's not in this year's budget. Needs to be in there for next year. Brian Chandler - should we have approved a budget in the red. Louis Lirette - we approved it and discussed it. Alan Hogan - we have had to draw money from savings to cover expenses in the past. This is only a proposed budget. Note: Proposed budget is at the end of this document, following the minutes.
3. Update on hosting national meeting. Kurt Guidry - not going to do it. Decision at summer meeting was for Bobby Soileau to host a joint meeting with Mississippi. They were lukewarm at best. Arkansas has put up a bid. We are not going to put up a bid for the national meeting. Alan Hogan says Arkansas has not actually made a bid yet. Should check with

them again. Kurt - should we contact them with the idea of co-hosting? Alan - call them and ask if they are submitting and if so would they like help.

4. What do we do with large cd? Louis Lirette – we're going to have to have money for sending people to other meetings and hosting meetings. Potentially need $2,000 to $3,000 for these things. Would hate to see us spend a bunch of money and then end up needing it four or five years down the road because we have fewer members. Dr. Coreil says it's good we have this in case he can't be as generous with funds in the future. Brian Chandler - can we increase funds to delegates and award winners to match officers? Louis - those folks get $500 from Dr. Coreil. Brian - will that continue? Louis - yes he thinks so. Alan Hogan - that fund was set up as seed money for hosting annual meetings and to reimburse other states.
5. Report on annual meeting. We had eight active members participate and about an equal number of spouses. They are concerned membership will continue to drop. Attendance at the meeting has been stable but national membership is declining. May have to lower number of award winners and scholarship amounts. Very smoothly run. Good speakers. Alan served as a judge for poster contest. Tours were good. Alan stated that the national scholarship fund is in good shape.
6. Update on federal incorporation and tax ID. Louis met with CPA and he believes the only issue is that the bank has issued a change to our name and the IRS has responded. IRS says the name is one thing and cannot change but our name is too long and bank has to abbreviate it. The issue lies with changing that abbreviation with the IRS. Or we can reincorporate, which would be a big hassle. Kurt stated that he would go do it. First Kurt has to be named on the account. Barrett - how did this issue come up? Louis - the IRS brought it up because of new tax laws. Rusty – made a motion to fill out proper paperwork to get Kurt on the account to deal with the issue. Alan seconds. Motion passes without objection.
7. LCAAA website. Hasn't been updated. With board's approval Kurt will get with Kenny Sharpe and they will get reports and minutes up to date online. Kurt volunteered. LCAAA is linked to the national website.
8. Proposed state galaxy meeting 2013. Kurt got an email. Proposing a state meeting with all the other associations in the state. Dr. Coreil is in favor of it, as in a triennial meeting. So Kurt brought it to the board for consideration. It would be in 2013. 4H wants to do it in November or December of the year. Discussion. Alan - in the past Denver Loupe called it a JCEP meeting with the officers of the various groups. One day meeting. When he retired that went away. Not opposed to it but there is a labor shortage in our organization and we are already doing more with less. Kurt - this meeting would replace our annual meeting that year. Alan - then I am opposed to it. Why are they requesting this? Because they want to bring in a big, expensive speaker. Motion made by Alan, "We unanimously are not in favor as a board to have this meeting as a substitute for our meeting. Board directs Kurt to send a survey to membership for comments." Brian seconds. Motion passes without objection.
9. Membership. Kurt is drafting a letter to send to specialists and a different one for field agents. Louis already has one developed for agents. Our membership year is the same as the calendar year. Deadline for dues submission is January 1. Stuart Gauthier and Kurt will get together to send out letters. Who to send them to? Discussion - anyone with an extension appointment and anyone with an ANR appointment. Send it to all LCES. Brian - What to do about specialist region? Very few members, don't participate. Ed Twidwell . the number of specialists is getting to be a small number. May need to merge with southeastern group. Alan. That will take a bylaws change at the state meeting. Alan asks Ed to poll some campus

members and southeast members and see their feelings about merging and report back at the spring meeting. Brian. It takes ten days' notice and then two thirds approval of attending members to change bylaws. Rusty, provide us with a list of board members from last year. Louis says he can provide that. Rusty – There needs to be some commitment from board members. If they are board members they should be finding new members.

10. Committee reports. Brian. Life members. Has gotten some corrections and additions to be made. Louis asks Brian to send them to Brian states that it would be easier for him to do it because there are lots of little things than need changing.
11. Annual meeting. Port of Baton Rouge is a potential tour. Community Coffee says they don't offer tours. Bobby has talked to Tony's Seafood. Doesn't know if their conference room is large enough to have a meal there but it would be about an hour tour. Kurt - everybody has to have a photo ID for the port tour. Dr. Coreil has approved a thousand dollars for the bus for the tour. Bobby – a third tour could be a tour of Wilbert and Sons land. It is close by. Brian - doesn't like outdoor tours in June because of the heat. Bobby – potential topic areas- H2B. Lots of processors will be using this. Meeting will be at the new Holiday Inn Express in West Baton Rouge Parish.
12. Any other business. Alan - went to another national meeting and he was asked by someone up north whether or not many people from the south would go to the galaxy meeting Pittsburgh. Louis - the $500 registration is high but we will pay only $250 because our national association will subsidize half the fee. Hotel rooms up there will be expensive. It will probably be a challenge to get a big turnout from the south at this meeting. Brian - Glenn put his name down for all committee chairs so all national information is going to Glenn. Kurt is going to fix it.
13. Brian Chandler makes motion to adjourn. Donna Morgan seconds. Motion passes without objection. Adjourned.

2011 – 2012 LCAAA Proposed Budget

Income	Proposed Amount	Actual Amount
		As of 10-27-11
Dues	5,400.00	480
Interest		
Checking	10	0
Savings	10	0
Large CD	0.00	0
Scholarship Auction	2,000.00	2000
Annual Meeting	1,000.00	2805.03
Total	8,420.00	5285.03

Expenditures		
NACAA Dues	4,500.00	0
Police Jury Convention	300	0
School Board Convention	250	0
NACAAAM/PIC		
DSA & AA recipients	500	0
Voting Delegates	500	0
President	250	0
President-elect	250	0
Vice-President	250	0
Treasurer	250	0
Secretary	250	0
Awards	300	0
Office Expense	100	0
JCEP Workshop	1,200.00	0
PILD Meeting	700	0
4-H U Luncheon	800	0
LCAAA Prof Improvement Scholarship	1,000.00	0
4-H Scholarship	1,000.00	0
New Agent Orientation Luncheon	50	0
Board Meetings	300	0
Total	12,750.00	0