

**ANREP Executive Committee
Meeting
February 19, 2020
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM EDT
Final Approved Minutes**

Attending: Holly Abeels (Southern Region Rep.), Alicia Betancourt (President-Elect), Leslie Boby (Executive Secretary), Beth Clawson (North Central Region Rep), Jennifer Dindinger (Northeast Region Rep), Lauren Grand (Western Region Rep.), Lara Milligan (President), Eric Norland (NIFA Liaison), Kris Tiles (Treasurer), Kevin Zobrist (Secretary).

Not Attending: John Kushla (Past-President)

Guests: Shannon Murray

Agenda

1. Roll Call/Introductions.

- There is a quorum.

2. Approval of November and January Minutes

- A motion carried to approve the November minutes
- A motion carried to approve the January minutes.

3. Minutes Recording

- Recorder: Kevin Zobrist, Secretary
- Proofreaders: Holly, Lara

4. Approval of Agenda

- Not needed.

5. Reports from Board Members

- NIFA Update (Eric Norland)
 - NIFA science liaisons will be at PILD meeting.
 - President's FY2021 budget – NIFA did fairly well, proposed increase in formula funds.
 - NIFA continuing to hire positions in Kansas City.
- Treasurer's Report (Kris Tiles)
 - 2019 Financial summary (attached). Total assets end of 2018: \$126,416. End of 2019: \$137,550.
 - Total assets at the end of January 2020: \$138,011.
 - 2019 membership higher than expected for non-conference year.
 - Money being held for NREEF was transferred to them.
 - Lower than expected travel expenses by \$12k.
 - January – took in lots of dues, waiting to be transferred over from PayPal (\$7k); paid travel for PILD and Exec. Sec.
 - Leslie and Kris are finally on our Bank of America account. We will discuss whether or not we have to stay with BoA at next month's meeting.
- Executive secretary (Leslie Boby)
 - 30 new memberships over the past month. We are around 500 members now.

- BoA paperwork done (finally).
- We need to pay taxes this year for state of GA. Kris will work with Leslie on this. Can pay this on an annual basis or every three years. Due April 1st.
- Leslie unable to continue as exec sec and will have to resign within next 6 months or so.
- JCEP Update (Lara, Alicia)
 - John, Lara, and Alicia all participated in face-to-face JCEP board meeting.
 - Lots of incoming new NIFA people will be attending the next Extension Leadership Conference, which will be in Kansas City for the next two years. JCEP is considering a formal presentation to NIFA folks.
- NREEF Update (Lara)
 - Lara talked to Sandy Smith about having an NREEF Liaison to ANREP board.
 - In order to be a 501(c)(3), NREEF has to be beyond the scope of just ANREP and provide broader public good.
- Regional Rep Updates
 - Southern Region (Holly Abeels)
 - Sent email introduction to region.
 - Western Region (Lauren Grand)
 - Updated Western Region directory (20 new people).
 - North Central Region (Beth Clawson)
 - Determined that Ohio still does have an active state chapter; still waiting to hear back from Minnesota.
 - Need to get dates for 2022 Kalamazoo conference sooner than later.
 - North East Region (Jennifer Dindinger)
 - Will talk with NY ANREP folks about what it takes to form a state chapter.

6. Reports from Committees and Initiatives

- 2020 Conference Committee (Shannon Murray)
 - 102 registrations so far.
 - There will be an article on the conference in the ANREP winter newsletter
 - Work with venue and conference subcommittees is all on track.
 - The board will meet the evening of May 3rd after 7:00. This will be in lieu of the regularly scheduled May meeting.
- Awards (Lauren G., Tim D., Victor B.)
 - Nominations are coming in, and nominations close 2/21 @ 5pm Eastern. 37 volunteer judges. Judging will be Feb 28 - March 17th, and winners notified on March 24th.
 - Award Plaques –For more prestigious awards like Early career and distinguished career, we could do plaques. Basic plaques are \$40 + shipping; more for nicer walnut plaques. Lauren will get more solid quotes to present to the board next month for decision. There is only \$100 in the budget for awards total, including certificate printing.
- Communications (Chad C., James H., Kevin Z.)
 - No updates.
- Scholarship (Chris J., James H.)
 - 19 travel scholarship applications so far, and there will likely be more. Only 18 scholarships are available.
- Finance/Audit (Kris T., Jen D.)
 - Jen will be working soon on 2018 audit
- Membership (Lara M., Beth C., Alicia B.)

- Membership flyers are available for distribution. Lara made an ANREP membership checklist; will send to Chad to include in newsletter.
- Policy and Procedures (Alicia B., Lara M.)
 - Lara has P&P changes from last year and some from this year to present to the board.
- Strategic Planning and Emerging Issues
 - Nothing to report.
- Initiatives
 - CSI
 - CSI is going to be reincarnated as the Extension Climate Initiative – Paul L. will talk about next month.
 - CSI grew out of a conference on climate and forests several years ago. It has been dormant the last couple years.
 - NNSLE (Alicia B., Linda S.)
 - Will be starting work on national sustainability strategic plan
 - Almost a full year of speakers booked for monthly meetings. These sessions are recorded.
 - Contact Alicia if interested in being involved

7. Adjournment

- The next meeting will be March 18, 2020 @ 3:00 PM ET.
- A motion carried to adjourn the meeting.