

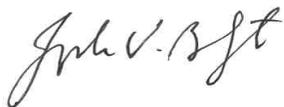
8- 9:30 AM 201A Midwest Airlines Center FAMPS Business Meeting Program

Attendance: Christiane Schroeter (Cal Poly), Joe Balagtas (Purdue), Joe Parcell (Missouri), Walt Armbruster (Farm Foundation), Neil Conklin (Farm Foundation), John Mengel (AMS), Jim MacDonald (ERS), Janet Perry (ERS), Carola Grebitus (University Bonn, Germany), Larissa Drescher (Technical University Munich, Germany) , Mike Boland (Kansas State, WAEA)

- I. Welcome—Christiane Schroeter opened the meeting at 8am and welcomed everybody.
- II. 2008-2009 Business—Joe Parcell reported on FAMPS business from 2008-2009
 - a. Group discussed need to update FAMPS web site; move to AAEA site.
 - b. Membership down slightly in recent years. Group discussed ways to increase membership, including organizing pre-AAEA conference workshops, DC policy conference to attract members
 - c. Reflection of FAMPS as a contribution to the profession
- III. 2009-2010 Business—Christiane Schroeter discussed business for upcoming year
 - a. June 2009 elections
 - i. Brad Rickard, Cornell University new member-at- large, he replaces Joe Balagtas
 - ii. Joe Balagtas, Purdue University was elected Chair-Elect
 - b. 2009 FAMPS Track sessions
 - i. General agreement that FAMPS put together a strong offering of track sessions in Milwaukee, and this was another important way to attract membership
 - c. 2010 Policy Conference
Joint pre-conference with FSN Section on “Behavioral Economics & Health”
 - i. Meeting with Mary Muth, FSN Chair and Sean Cash, FSN Member-at-large
 - ii. 2 Keynote speakers, one on obesity, one on experimental methods
 - iii. \$5,000 from RTI for invited speaker, potential funding from ERS, Consumer and AgPolicy Research Network Canada
 - iv. Graduate Student Travel Grants
 - d. Ideas for 2010 track sessions
 - i. Group agreed to come up with a list of potential 2010 track sessions by Fall 2009
 - e. AAEA Section Operating Policies, implemented on July 25, 2009
 - f. The section transitioned to the new AAEA policies.
 - g. June 2010 elections

- i. Need to elect of new secretary/treasurer
- IV. 2010-2011 Business Outlook—Christiane Schroeter
 - a. Section will consist of Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and immediate Past-Chair as sole governing body of any section
 - b. Option of section board
 - i. Group agreed to submit a request to AAEA to maintain a Section Board comprised of 3-4 members from government, industry, and academia. Board members should have experience with FAMPS. Role of the board is to maintain continuity in the Section.
 - ii. Only to address designated needs of the section
 - c. Website is to be maintained by secretary/treasurer
 - d. Change of business meeting time at 2010 meetings- early evening Sunday due to most members not arriving until Sunday afternoon
- V. Cooperation with WAEA—Mike Boland
 - a. Mike Boland, President of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, presented an opportunity for FAMPS to collaborate on a track session in 2010 that would focus on industry perspectives on agricultural markets and policy. Group agreed that this would be a potentially fruitful collaboration for FAMPS.
- VI. Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

Minutes submitted by



Joseph Balagtas
Chair-Elect, FAMPS
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