Minutes July 23, 2006 Minutes from the Annual Section Meeting Sunday, July 23, 2006 Long Beach, California

Approximately 11 members of the section were present, including the AAEA Executive Board representative, Richard Sexton (UC-Davis). Paul Wilson (U of Arizona) called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

A. Elections – An election was held to determine the new co-chair to replace Paul Wilson (U of Arizona). The two candidates, Cheryl DeVuyst (North Dakota State) and Christiane Schroeter (Arkansas State University) were discussed briefly followed by a vote. Cheryl DeVuyst was elected as co-chair elect, to serve 2006-2008.

B. Updates

- 1. Minutes from the 2005 meeting were discussed and approved.
- 2. Membership increased from 81 in 2005 to 93 in 2006.
- 3. By-Law proposals were all approved and are to be forwarded and made.
- 4. The section is solvent but continues to look for new funding sources.
- 5. Board Report : by Richard Sexton
 - a. Cancellation of Wednesday activities at future AAEA meetings to cut cost and increase attendance at other sessions.
 - b. Reduce the number of selected papers and increase the number of posters.
 - c. Change of RAE editors, low submissions are a problem
 - d. Possible upcoming discussion on a name change for the association.
 - e. Choices will no longer be funded at the end of the current editorial cycle.
 - f. Reduced number of tracks for meetings in the future
 - g. Eliminate page charges for those publishing in the journal.

C. Program Track for 2007

- 1. 2006 tracks were well accepted.
- 2. 2007 ideas for tracks: everyone is encouraged to come up with ideas, some of the ideas were teaching in extension and in government agencies, learning matrices or rubrics, materials update, and distance learning.
- 3. 2007 track organizer will be Christine Wilson (Purdue).

D. 2006 Young Professional Teaching Academy

- 1. A very active and successful event, 51 registered participants.
- 2. Funding has been hard to get since we were trying to pay an honorarium.
- 3. Mike Boland (Kansas State) and Cheryl DeVuyst (NDSU) are organizing the 2007 teaching academy.
- 4. Possible topics for next year:
 - a. Teaching resource economics
 - b. Behavior problems
 - c. Evaluations

- d. Advising
- e. Lab teaching

E. Other Topics, Concerns and /or Issues

- 1. Revise business model of the academy
- 2. Look for other funding sources for the academy

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Matt Stockton (Nebraska) Secretary/Treasurer (2005-2007)