

**PAE4-HA MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**Penn Stater Conference Center – Centre County**  
**October 19, 2005**

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**Reminders:**

- Send a thank you note to Daney for paying for our snack break and meeting room (Katina)
- Email Expense/Income Voucher & Codes to Melanie Barkley (Phyllis)
- Send info. on AIG to PAE4-HA listserve (Phil)
- Mail regional reports to Ev for newsletter (Katina)
- Develop a budget for '05-'06 (Toni)
- Hurricane Katrina Story (Christy)
- Send Daney a note of appreciation for PILD - ???
- Check whether everyone should receive “Youth Today” – (Patty Anderson)
- 4-H Project-themed booth at APD w/ State Council (PRI)
- Where is the money coming from for awards, speakers, scholarships?
- PCCEA – Do we know anything?

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

**March 13, 2006 – PEAFCFS Meeting**  
**March 14-17, 2006 – March In-Service**  
**March 28-29, 2006 – PAE4-HA Spring Meeting**  
**March 31 & April 1, 2006 – State Leader Forum**  
**April 23-26, 2006 – PILD Conference**  
**April 23-25, 2006 – 4-H Capital Days**  
**May 3-4, 2006 – CED Institute (tentative)**  
**October 10-12, 2006 – PAE4-HA Fall Meeting (tentative)**

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*A number of members were only able to stay for brief moments as they were attempting to also participate in meetings for other associations which they are members of.*

**Members attending were:** Janet Allis, Patty Anderson, Cindy Arblaster, Christy Bartley, Ed Bender, Suzanne Ault Boarts, Cathy Brady, Wanda Braymer, Jill Broschart, Helaine Brown, Robert Brown, Deborah Dietrich, Liesel Dreisbach, Kirsten Dubbs, John Falter, Jennifer Fetter, Stacy Goetz, Martha Gregory, Wendy Greist, Jennifer Grooms, Karen Hack, Dwayne Hay, Linda Hendricks, Ed Horning, Phil Hoy, Patreese Ingram, Nancy Kadwill, Becky Kaucher, Rick Kauffman, Phyllis Laufer Bob Lewis, Ellen Linamen, Joann Logan, Michael Martin, Tammella Menke, Claudia Mincemoyer, Joyce Morrison, Katina Musser, Sam Nicola, Pam Paletta, Roxanne Price, Darlene Resh, Jan Scholl, Carol Schurman, Ev Simmons, Tia Steinfelt, Nancy Stephenson, Joanne Stoltzfus, Cathy Straub, Toni Stuetz, Kelly Weisner, Kathy Weller, Yvonne Young

**Guests attending were:** Brack Barr, Jana Davidson, Joseph Fuller, Shawn Graves, Karen Knoll, Kristy Myers, Rick Sayles, Briana Shealer, Paul Webster

**Call To Order:**

Prior to the start of the business meeting, committees held brief meetings. Then, President-Elect, Pam Paletta, made some comments regarding logistics of the meeting and meals, mentioning that Daney Jackson paid for our meeting room and snack break. At 8:30 a.m., President, Suzanne Boarts, called

the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Club Pledge. All in attendance then introduced themselves.

**Officer Reports:**

**President** – Suzanne Boarts – No report.

**President-Elect** – Pam Paletta – No report.

**Past President** – Liesel Dreisbach

Liesel announced that auction items will be collected and may be designated so that the money raised from their sale goes to PAE4-HA.

**Vice President** – Becky Kaucher

Becky announced that the membership list is included in the annual report (to be distributed shortly). She welcomed new member Jennifer Fetter, Erie County, with a new member certificate. Dues for National will go up from \$60 to \$65 this year, which if we leave our dues the same as last year, leaves the state with \$5 per person. The current new member fee is \$30, and that will go up \$5 as well for National. It was decided to wait to make a decision on dues for 2006 until after the Treasurer's Report.

**Treasurer's Report & Budget** – Phyllis Lauffer

Phyllis circulated a current financial report as of 10/10/05. There were some changes since that report was printed off: Expense for Awards went to \$744.80, PDPA Members went to \$85.00, leaving the total expenses to date as \$6,442.28. The checking account balance was \$3,362.00, with \$11,647.69 in the savings account. Phyllis will send an updated report to Katina to be filed.

**M/S (Hendricks/Paletta) to increase dues to \$80 per member. M/S/P (Martin/Kauffman) to table this motion.**

Some other items of discussion followed. It was noted that our fiscal year is listed as November 1 – October 31 in the by-laws and our reports should be reflected that way in the future. Another note was made that this is the last year the association will pay for YDPA expenses.

**M/S/P – (Dreisbach/Martin) to accept the report, with additions.**

Phyllis noted that members should use the voucher and coding system she developed to submit income and expenses in the future. She will email these forms to Melanie Barkley to be placed on our website.

**Secretary's Report** – Katina Musser

**M/S/P (Welch/Dreisbach) to accept the member minutes from April '05.**

**M/S/P (Dreisbach/Resh) to accept the board minutes from April '05.**

Annual reports were distributed to those in attendance, and those not in attendance will receive a copy in the county boxes. A copy of the meeting sign-up sheet was passed and members were asked to sign next to their name to indicate their attendance.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Awards & Recognition – Cathy Brady**

Cathy noted her report in the Annual Report and thanked Amanda Rudisill and her staff for judging awards this year. She also thanked the committee members for their work this year. Helaine Brown noted that her teammates were missing from the report for the Power of Youth Award – Nancy Stephenson, Bucks County; Toni Stuetz, Chester County. Cathy also noted that she will continue as chair with Wanda Braymer as co-chair for 2006.

### **Diversity – Roxanne Price**

Roxanne noted that they lined up Ermyn King who will be doing a presentation open to all extension staff this afternoon. The new chair for this committee will be Cindy Arblaster.

### **Policy/Resolution – Dwayne Hay**

Dwayne noted that Nancy Stephenson will take over as chair of the committee in 2006. He also noted that a few other states do have a state-only membership. The committee suggested we wait until spring to discuss this more and that they make a point at the National Conference to ask those who do it how it is working for their state. We would also need to consider how it would affect us, for example, some of the state awards numbers are based on our membership. It was noted that we try to list also how what national does comes back to affect us at the state. Karen Hack noted that there is work being done to create a report on how the national association affects the state association.

### **Professional Improvement – Kelly Weisner**

Kelly reported that the two previously designated scholarships for first-time attendees at the national conference have declined their awards. They have received two applications for scholarships – one for the Labo Conference and one for graduate courses in youth development. For 2006, Deb Dietrich will chair and Kirsten Dubbs will co-chair.

### **Programs – Martha Gregory**

Martha reported for Phyllis Wright that they've discussed a program showcase for a future meeting. There are six task-forces on the national programs committee and possibly two new ones will be added – after school and urban programs. Martha will serve as chair for 2006.

### **PR&I – Stacy Goetz**

Stacy noted that for 2006, Sam Nicola will chair the committee and Linda Hendricks will co-chair.

This year's Lady Lions game will be February 5<sup>th</sup> against Purdue.

The AIG needs to plan some activities for final approval. The membership of this group also needs to increase. Phil Hoy can send applications to those who are interested. Phil asked that if anyone can put up a display or something to get the word out, they should talk with him. The AIG is a subset of Penn State Alumni who meet for a certain purpose, in this case 4-H. Phil will send information on this to the PAE4-HA listserve, and he'll send a list of who is currently signed up.

The committee is also looking at some promotional items. Sam is working on a fundraiser opportunity for the PA Farm Show and/or APD. Members should contact him with any ideas.

Jill Broschart added that over 300 from across the state attended 4-H Day at Knoebel's. The counties who worked will get money back from this.

**Historical** – Suzanne Boarts – No report.

**Membership** – Becky Kaucher

Becky has renewal forms to hand out, but there was no dues amount listed on the brochure. Following a discussion and vote on the dues for 2006, members will need to write the amount in on their registration form.

**Newsletter** – Ev Simmons

Evelyn reported that the deadline for the next newsletter will be November 18<sup>th</sup>, after the national conference. She'll work on it the following week. Katina will email the regional reports to Ev for inclusion in the newsletter.

**Nominating** – Liesel Dreisbach

Liesel presented a slate of officers for 2006, and nominations were also taken from the floor. Liesel noted that candidate bios are included in the Annual Report. There was one additional person who had indicated they would run for President-Elect, but they withdrew their name.

For President – Pam Paletta

For President-Elect – Darlene Resh – **M/S/P (Hendricks/Hack) to close nominations.**

For Vice President – Becky Kaucher – **M/S/P (Gregory/Resh) to close nominations.**

For Treasurer – Toni Stuetz & Joanne Stoltzfus – **M/S/P (Lauffer/Resh) to close nominations.**

**Liesel distributed ballots and members voted. The following officers were elected for 2006:**

President – Pam Paletta

President-Elect – Darlene Resh

Vice-President – Becky Kaucher

Treasurer – Toni Stuetz

**Regional Directors Reports:**

**Capital** – Darlene - Darlene's report is in the Annual Report. For 2006, Stacy Goetz will serve as senior director and Wendy Greist will be junior director.

**Central** – Jill – Jill reported one addition to what was included in the Annual Report. There will be a regional day out for them on December 9<sup>th</sup>. They will be learning how to access resources at local community colleges. Christy added that the new department head, Tracy Hoover is in place. There will be a residential ed. position in leadership and one to look at teacher education. There are two new faculty positions. Also, the staff assistant position that was vacant - Tracy got that changed to a permanent position and they'll be hiring this position to provide one point of contact there. For 2006 Cathy Straub will serve as senior director and Patreese Ingram will serve as junior.

**Northeast** – Tia Steinfelt will be senior director and Kristy York will be junior.

**Southeast** – Kelly – Kelly noted that Andy Curtis, Lehigh County, has left extension for another position. For 2006 Bob Brown will be senior director and Nancy Stephenson will be junior.

**Northwest** – Wanda – Wanda noted that her report is in the Annual Report. For 2006 Wanda Braymer will be senior director and Shawn Graves will be junior director.

**Southwest** – Dwayne – Dwayne reported that he will be the senior director and Cindy Arblaster will be the junior director for 2006. They are planning a regional retreat on leadership development and supervision.

### **2005 NAE4-HA Conference:**

Karen Hack shared details on State's Night Out. We'll order off of the menu. They're working on billing in small groups – she suggested bringing cash. It's a one mile walk to the ferry – downhill – and on the way back, it's uphill. The menu consists of prices from \$10-\$25 from sandwiches to entrees. It's casual and members can look it up on the web under "Winslow Way Café."

Karen distributed the NE newsletter and noted that one new thing is online voting for members who cannot attend the national conference.

This year's regional meeting will be a breakfast with an auction to support the '09 conference that we'll host. Chairs of the '09 conference are Laura Marek, CT, and Tom Davis, NY. Dress for the national conference is business casual.

### **Spring Association Meeting:**

Pam reported that we'll meet March 28-29, 2006. Carol noted that the Ag. Agents are hosting a meeting and wondered if we wanted to make it a "galaxy" meeting. One thought was that we need at least one meeting on our own (just 4-H) to avoid people crossing over so much. Pam noted that other upcoming dates are listed on the agenda.

**BREAK** – At this time the group took a short break.

**RE-CONVENE** – The group came back together to continue the meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report & Budget Continued...** – Phyllis Lauffer

Phyllis reported on some treasury numbers from 2004 and 2005, comparing income and expenses. And, discussion came back to the motion on the floor about a proposed change for dues. Becky mentioned that new and student dues will also go up to \$35. And, lifetime dues, which we have no control over, will go up to \$195. Dwayne mentioned that he'd rather pay more for our state membership rather than doing a fundraiser. Christy mentioned that we do have some money in our savings and we should be using it. Another note was made that we may need to have some money on hand to support the '09 conference. Another suggestion was that we should determine what amount should be in our savings account and the rest should be in an endowment. Kelly noted that question was raised on how to cover expenses for professional development scholarships – this will need to come out of meeting fees or some other place. **A vote was called for the motion on the floor, which passed – 26 Yes / 19 No – To increase dues for 2006 to \$80.**

A question was asked as to whether there was a proposed budget for '05-'06 to be reviewed. There was not, so Toni said she would work on this.

Becky asked about the new member fee. **M/S/P (Nicola/Gregory) to leave the new member fee at the national rate of \$35.**

Becky Kaucher distributed membership forms and noted that they are due December 1 to her. Members will have to write in the amount due - \$35 for new & \$80 for renewals. **M/S/P (Hack/Anderson) to appoint a budget committee and give the power of approval to the executive**

**committee, so a budget can be in place for the membership to review at the spring meeting.** It was noted that the budget committee should have representatives from various committees. If anyone is interested in serving, they should let Toni know.

**Other:**

**Central Region Teen Retreat** – Paul Webster mentioned that this is open to all teens in the state.

They have some formidable speakers this year. The cost is \$90/person plus \$10 for a t-shirt.

Registration is open until November 11<sup>th</sup>. Paul, Ev and Jana have the brochure and can email it to the state listserve.

**PA 4-H Leader's Forum** – Bob Lewis reported that there is a professional and a volunteer from each region on the planning committee for this event. They will focus on a one-day event, Saturday, with an extra program on Friday evening as an option. They'll include leader recognition. Dates are March 31 – April 1.

**Hurricane Katrina** – A number of counties shared ways in which they helped Katrina victims. Christy will talk to some at PSU about doing a story on this.

**Joann Logan Thanks** – Joann thanked everyone who contributed in response to their barn fire.

Suzanne thanked Pam for taking care of our meeting arrangements.

**Everyday Creativity** – Karen Hack showed this program which includes power points, workbooks, etc. It's a whole package.

The meeting was followed by lunch, awards presentations, led by Cathy Brady and Wanda Braymer with assistance from Darlene Resh, and officer installation, led by Liesel Dreisbach.

**Announcements:**

- Darlene announced that the spring meeting will be March 28-29 at the Adams County Extension Office.
- Katina will send a thank you note to Daney for sponsoring our meeting room and break.
- Kirsten Dubbs needs two model horse judges for October 29<sup>th</sup>. Her 2 judges cancelled at the last minute.
- Janet Allis recognized Claudia Mincemoyer for her support of the apprenticeship program.

**Adjournment:**

**M/S/P (Hendricks/Boarts) to adjourn.**

Respectfully submitted,

Katina Musser  
PAE4-HA Secretary