

Meeting called to order: 12:40

Invocation: by Wayne Bender

Greetings: Doug Pierce, Blinn College

Greetings: Area 3 president, Kaleb Dautrich

Jane Primrose, gave thanks for coming to MidWinter and for support from herself and her family. Dr. David Frasier is willing to come to Area 3 on March 1st. Please EMAIL Jane Primrose (jane.primrose@springbranchisd.com) if this date works for you –OR- not.

Minutes read and approved.

VATAT Report- Troy Oliver reported Area 3 is at 315 VATAT members. Highlights of VATAT Board meeting with reports from Tom Maynard, Ron Whitson, realignment committee reported that the committee has received very little from areas about realignment. Area 3 ag teachers present agreed to have Troy Oliver report to Charles Prause that Area 3 is satisfied with current alignment.

CDE Comm- Be sure to read the rules because some of them were new last Spring. Area 3 Wool CDE will hold the contest on Friday prior to Area 3 CDEs at TAMU; Area 3 Vet Tech will remain at Tarleton.

*Place general rules applicable to each contest within the individual contest rules.

*At state CDEs, those checking official dress should check clipboards.

*Motion passed that the executive committee and CDE committee take volunteers to enforce state rules at Area CDEs.

Wildlife Comm- Brad Lux- Area in Sinton, 4/16; State 5/12 in Nacadoches area. Any new changes will not go into effect until 2016.

LDE Comm- Area Contest was successful in obtaining lots of Area 7 judges. State results from 20 of 26 teams advanced to finals; 15 were in top 5 teams in finals. Much success at state! Way to go El Campo on winning state LDE sweepstakes.

Animal Industries – Texas Livestock Conference held in Waco for young teachers (1-5 years) to share stockshow information. Can access livestock show health/medication elimination advice at www.texasyouthlivestock.com

Scholarships- Help day for scholarships will be held on Monday, April 27th in Weimar.

Agscience- no news

Speaking Comm- no one here

State Check- new Golden Horizon

Retired AST- reform the committee. Motion passed to recognize retired Area 3 ag teachers each year.

Area election procedure/Area 3 Member- Area 3 member policy manual. Motion passed to accept the Area 3 Member Policy as posted. EACH DISTRICT WILL SEND 2 AREA OFFICER CANDIDATES TO AREA OFFICER SELECTION!