

**ACT MINUTES**  
***SPRING MEETING***  
**Sam Houston State University**  
**April 13, 14, 15, 2005**  
**Marc Robinson, President ACT**

**ACT Minutes on-line at: [www.AginTexas.org](http://www.AginTexas.org)**

Submitted by Joe D. Townsend - ACT Secretary/Treasurer  
April 16, 2005

**CALL TO ORDER:** The 2005 Spring meeting of ACT was called to order by Marc Robinson (TVCC) at 9:30 a.m. on April 14, 2005 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas.

**THANKS FOR HOSTING:** Bobby Lane and Dwayne Pavelock received accolades for hosting the ACT Spring 2005 meeting. The meeting was the result of much time and hard work. The tours, meals, meeting rooms, and accommodations were excellent. Bobby Lane and the staff at Sam Houston were excellent hosts. Be sure to send *Thank You* letters to the hosts and sponsors listed on the last page.

**2005 FALL MEETING: FRANK PHILLIPS – BORGER - September 14, 15, 16, 2005 -**  
**Don Topliff has agreed to be at the Amarillo International Airport from about between 10 - 11 a.m. on Wed. morning, Sept. 14th,'05 to pick up arrivees for the turf management workshop (in a large WTAMU van**

**2006 SPRING MEETING: WEST TEXAS A&M AND DON TOPLIFF WILL HOST THE SPRING MEETING ON APRIL 5-7, 2006- TURF GRASS MANAGEMENT APRIL 5, 2006.**

**MINUTES AND TREASURERS REPORT:** Joe Townsend (TAMU), Secretary/Treasurer, distributed the minutes and treasurer's report from the Fall ACT meeting at Tyler Jr. College in Tyler. Fall minutes were approved. Dues will cover from October 1 to August 31 each year with November 1 as the due date. Two year/Junior/Community colleges dues are coordinated by Bob Young (Kilgore) at 903-834-6255 or email ([bobyong@kilgorecollegeagfarm.org](mailto:bobyong@kilgorecollegeagfarm.org)). Two-year college personnel calculate their respective share. ACT dues for TJCAA are \$2000 per year and include all junior colleges or community colleges in Texas teaching agriculture, natural resources, or the life sciences. (ACT universities pay \$500 per year each). At present, ACT has a total of \$31,963.88 in funds with \$24,537.72 at TAMU and \$7,426.16 at Texas Tech University.

**HLSR Funding for Graduate Assistants at ACT schools:** Marvin Cepica (TX TECH) indicated that HLSR is dropping research funding this year. The graduate assistant funding is now in question. The HLSR education committee is changing their budget. A position paper, developed by ACT, was written with job descriptions and benefits provided by these graduate assistants. Input was provided by each institution and solidified for the final draft. Ten universities receive money for these graduate students.

**ACT will call for a new RFP to study HLSR Grad assistants –Extensive study to be done and paid for by ACT. Grad assistant on HLSR should complete extensive study. New study will be completed during the 2005-2006 year. Motion approved to have Joe Townsend and Gary Briers finish the present study with a deadline of May 1, 2005. Review committee Randall Williams, Dale Perritt, Bobby Lane and Norm Hopper. A maximum of \$1000 of ACT money can be used to complete this study.**

**TEXAS BOOTH NIGHT AT NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION:** Angie Burkes (TX TECH) announced that the National FFA Convention would be held on October 27 -30, 2005 in Louisville, KY. ACT will sponsor an exhibit booth. Act will purchase two exhibit booth spaces. Dr. Randall Williams moved that we continue with the combined booth at the National FFA convention. Texas Night will be discontinued. Funds for Texas Night will be used to enhance booth exhibit. Hotel information will be sent next week.

TX TECH – Angie Burkes ([a.burkes@ttu.edu](mailto:a.burkes@ttu.edu)) – invitations, publicity and response cards  
 TARLETON – Sarah Griffeth – ([griffeth@tarleton.edu](mailto:griffeth@tarleton.edu)) -door prizes, brochures, schedule  
 TEXAS STATE – Yolanda Quintanilla ([yq10@txstate.edu](mailto:yq10@txstate.edu)) –coordinating booth appearance  
 SFA – Emily Payne – ([emilypayne816@yahoo.com](mailto:emilypayne816@yahoo.com)) booth decorations  
 TAMU-K – Dr. Randall Williams - ([r-williams@tamuk.edu](mailto:r-williams@tamuk.edu)) booth tear down and shipping home  
 TAMU – Allison Chipman – ([achipman@tamu.edu](mailto:achipman@tamu.edu)) bills, booth reservation, booth furnishings

All members are invited to participate. Each institution is to provide a **ONE SHEET** (front and back) description of their program or one tri-fold. These sheets are on display in the ACT booth. Be sure to send 100 copies to Sarah Griffeth at Tarleton. Also, **TWO** good door prizes should be sent to (Tarleton).

**CDE’S AND ON- LINE REGISTRATION:** Clay Ewell ([c-ewell@tamu.edu](mailto:c-ewell@tamu.edu)) of *Clay Ewell Associates* maintains the ACT web page to include a directory, judging programs, results and statistics of judging contests. Those programs are in addition to the on-line registration for all CDE’s. If your school wants to use the on-line registration, please contact Clay. The CDE website has been updated to allow online contestant substitutions until 7 days before the contests. All users are encouraged to “log in” to the [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com) website to update their directory information. Clay has purchased a server, high speed printer; computer and other items needed in order to upkeep the server and provides the judging scoring program in addition to the scan sheets. He has moved the ACT server to a professional commercial server off-campus that has emergency back-up. Users of the scoring programs are reminded to use the most current program located on the ACT web page.

FFA will consider dropping the “pasture” part of the Range/pasture FFA CDE. Credit card use is up at Tarleton. ACT suggested that Clay set registration 7 days before contest and consider accepting credit cards.

**CDE’s - Five year cycle. Rotation of CDE Teacher Committee on five-year cycle. Committee will work on changes including what is happening in the industry and at National FFA Contests. All revisions will be implemented in 2006 and be used in 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.**

**SPRING MEETING TJCAA CONTESTS:** Each four year university is to bring two to five of their students to the Spring ACT meeting at Sam Houston to assist with the junior college contests. West Texas A&M will ask for assistance with the TJCAA contests from other four-year universities. Exams with fifty-item multiple choice questions for the various TJCAA contests are needed. The exams should cover work that would be taught during the freshman and sophomore year. Assignments will be made for the following exams: HORT, AGRO, ANSC, AGECE, AG-MECH, and WILDLIFE. At spring meeting, TJCAA students will also participate in the scrapbook contest, the outstanding student contest, and the outstanding chapter contest. The two outstanding two-year college students will win a \$5000 and \$2500 scholarship from Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Universities MAY bring a tabletop display and recruiting brochures to provide to TJCAA students (about 100 students attend). **FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITIES - BRING TWO DOOR PRIZES FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS.**

**SPRING MEETING FORMAT:** The spring meeting will start with a turf management workshop on Wednesday afternoon. An informal “get together” and pizza will be held Wednesday night at 7 pm. Thursday morning will start all the meetings and contests for TJCAA at 9 a.m. CASA members will serve as judges for the TJCAA contests. TJCAA and CASA will elect officers Thursday afternoon, and the awards banquet will be Thursday night at 7 pm. ACT will meet Thursday all day. Friday morning will start with the Junior College faculty meeting followed by tours or other interest items. Registration will be on the ACT ([judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com)) webpage and will include a RSVP on numbers for contests, meals, buses, and tours. Specifics will be left to Don Topliff at WTAMU. Tours will Friday morning of the ACT meeting.

**ACT OFFICERS FOR 2005-2006:** Officers are President- Hardin Rahe (Texas State); President-elect – Norm Hopper (TX Tech); Secretary/Treasurer-Joe Townsend (TAMU). Following the 2005 spring meeting, Hardin became the new ACT President. Elections are held at the spring meeting each year.

**STATE FAIR:** Please contact Mr. Real if you want to advertise in the State Fair information. They are changing the format of the State Fair Book. He can be contacted at [dreal@bigtex.com](mailto:dreal@bigtex.com). As we know, Texas Tech sponsors a reception for the FFA, 4-H and FCS.

**TEXAS CASA:** CASA meets at each spring ACT meeting. CASA members met with the ACT meeting to explain the direction of TX CASA. The future will include: State Officers will be State President; VP for fund raising; VP for activities; VP for

1. CASA Web site
2. Publication to be developed
3. Advertising for CASA; web based to promote higher education in agriculture.
4. increase recruiting of junior and community college students during the year
5. recruit across the curriculum
6. meetings at State FFA convention and ACT Fall meeting
7. more involvement with TJCAA during Spring meeting
8. need for an adviser for TX CASA
9. CASA officers can serve more than one term
10. Lance Keith (WTAMU) will serve as TX CASA adviser for the next three years.

Newly elected officers are:

State President, Brandon Griggs from Tarleton State University.  
Vice President of Record, Whitney White from West Texas A&M University.  
Vice President of Public Relations, Brenna Ellison from Abilene Christian University.  
Vice President of Funding, Leslie Garcia from Tarleton State University.  
Vice President of Membership Activities, Jarrod Foster from Texas Tech University.

**TJCAA/ACT MEMBER SCHOOLS 2004-2005:** Last year’s members included: Blinn, Central Texas, Cisco, Coastal Bend, Frank Phillips, Houston, Kilgore, South Plains, South West Texas, Texarkana, Trinity Valley, Tyler, Vernon, Weatherford, and Western Texas. All plan to be members in the 2004-2005 year.

**Ag in the Classroom from Farm Bureau will come to your school to talk to elementary certification students at any university or community college. Call Jim Nance State Director of FB, 254.751.2282. Call him if you wish to learn more.**

PAWT MEETING: September 21, 22, & 23, 2005 will be in Kingsville at TAMUK. Call Randall Williams, PAWT President, will host the meeting. Plan on being there.

ACT Associate Membership – Businesses to join- \$5000 per year. Attorneys can handle this or perhaps at Texas Tech Law School to develop a prospective. ACT must have a 501-3C document to request funds. Hardin Rahe (Texas State) will work with Norm Hopper (TX Tech0.

CAMPUS UPDATES – Members informed each other about the various activities on their respective locations. Randy Tidwell is moving to Panola College; no word on agricultural instructor replacement at Tyler.

**SEE YOU at FRANK PHILLIPS COLLEGE!!!!**

**TEXAS JOURNAL OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES – Ashley Lovell, TSU**

Managing Editor – Ashley Lovell – Tarleton State University

Editor in Chief - David Kattes – Tarleton State University

Editorial Board – meets at every fall meeting

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1. Associate Editors provide the gateway for manuscript submissions and are encouraged to contact faculty and administration of their respective institutions to publicize the Journal.
2. The Journal is now located at <http://www.tarleton.edu/~txjanr/>. The Editorial Board and Instructions for submitting an article are at that URL.
3. Please advise the Managing Editor of changes to membership of the Editorial Board as well as address and related changes (list on above web site).
4. The page charge is \$50 per page for ACT members and \$100 per page for non-ACT members (double the ACT member costs).
5. Tarleton State University provides funding for the part-time Journal secretary position. ACT approved \$1800 in funding per year to support this position, funded from the page charges. 25 percent of the supplemental funding for the position is distributed to the Journal secretary following each quarter of service.
6. The Rights and Permissions Request from EBSCO Publishing to the Texas Journal of Agriculture & Natural Resources was reviewed, revised and approved by the ACT leadership.
7. The financial condition of the Journal continues to improve:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Balance</b>
09/01/01	\$-1,557.93
08/31/02	2,837.36
08/31/03	1,384.74
08/31/04	4,063.24
02/28/05	\$5,086.29

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**AGRICULTURAL CONSORTIUM OF TEXAS  
MEETINGS**

**FALL**

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1977 FORT WORTH	1978 NO MEETING
1978 SUL ROSS	1979 NO MEETING
1979 SAM HOUSTON	1980 NO MEETING
1980 TEXAS TECH	1981 SWT
1981 EAST TEXAS	1982 SHSU
1982 WEST TEXAS (WTAMU)	1983 SWT
1983 ASU	1984 SHSU
1984 SWT	1985 AUSTIN
1985 TEXAS A&I (TAMUK)	1986 AUSTIN
1986 SFA	1987 AUSTIN
1987 TEXAS TECH	1988 HLSR
1988 WEST TEXAS	1989 HLSR
1989 SAM HOUSTON	1990 HLSR
1990 SWT (TEXAS STATE)	1991 SALE
1991 SUL ROSS	1992 HLSR
1992 TAMU	1993 AUSTIN
1993 ACU	1994 FT. WORTH
1994 TSU	1995 AUSTIN
1995 PVAMU	1996 ASU
1996 TAMUC	1997 WTAMU
1997 TAMUK	1998 SFA
1998 TAMU	1999 TX TECH
1999 KILGORE	2000 SUL ROSS
2000 BLINN	2001 SFA
2001 HOUSTON CC	2002 TAMUK
2002 TRINITY VALLEY	2003 SWT (TEXAS STATE)
2003 WEATHERFORD	2004 TSU
2004 TYLER JC	2005 SAM HOUSTON – APRIL 13,14,15
2005 FRANK PHILLIPS – SEPT 14, 15, 16	2006 WTAMU – APRIL 5, 6, 7
2006 COASTAL BEND - SEPT	2007 ACU - APRIL
2007	2008 TAMU
2008	2009 ASU
2009	2010 PVAMU
2010	2011 TAMUC
2011	2012 SUL ROSS
2012	2013 TEXAS TECH



**Folks to Thank**

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Dr. James F. Gaertner, President  
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*(gave welcome on Thursday morning)*

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