

ACT MINUTES
FALL MEETING
McLennan Community College
September 9, 2010
Dale Perritt, President ACT

ACT Minutes on-line at: www.AginTexas.org

CALL TO ORDER: The 2010 Fall meeting of ACT was called to order by President Dale Perritt (SFA) in the Conference Center on the MCC campus at 8:46 am on September 9, 2010. We were welcomed by MCC President, Dr. Johnette McKeon. A full breakfast was then enjoyed by all.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Dr. Stanley Kelley moved to approve the Minutes of the spring 2010 ACT meeting held at Texas A & M University - Commerce, as printed. Motion was seconded by Dr Norm Hopper and were approved by unanimous vote.

Norm also reported on the 2010 TJCAA scholarship winners. One is enrolled at TAMU and the other two will not enroll until spring. Correction was made on the order of placement of the students.

He also reported on the winner of the National FFA Convention drawing. Cody Korenek is planning to attend Wharton County Junior College which is not currently a member of ACT. Wharton was listed on the ACT brochure at time of the drawing. Ted Ford moved that we go ahead and award the scholarship. Second by Stanley Kelley. Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Dr. Hopper of TTU ACT treasurer, distributed the treasurer's report and gave an update of the ACT balance, (see balance sheet). It was moved (Mike Salisbury) and seconded (Bob Williams) to be approved as read. Motion passed.

Dues 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 (bobyoung@kilgorecollegeagfarm.org). ACT dues for TJCAA are \$1000 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).

IN ATTENDANCE: Norm Hopper & Rachel Bobbitt, The Texas Tech University; Dale Perritt, SFASU; Stanley Kelley, SHSU; Ted Ford, Ashley Lovell & Beth Smith, TrISU; Staci Frerich & Chris Skaggs, TAMU; Ed Brokaw, ACU; Bob Williams TAMU-Commerce; Mike Salisbury, ASU; Bill Kuvlesky, TAMUK; Barry Jones, MCC; Jeannie Lafferty, TJC; Tracy Dicken, PJC; Katie Snyder, Lon Morris College; Bob Young, KC; Marc Robinson, TVCC; Clay Ewell & Russell Ewell, Judging Card; Tom Maynard, Texas FFA.

*****THE ACT JOURNAL:** Dr. Ashley Lovell of TSU and the TJANR gave a report on the ACT Journal and distributed copies of the report on the current status of the journal and procedures used in publishing the journal. Budget balance is \$7,543.04. Beth Smith was introduced as the new secretary for the journal. She asked for additional reviewers if we had individuals at our institutions that might be able to help with this duty.

President Perritt introduced Si Cook from the Texas Farm Bureau who spoke about the Discussion Meet Contest which they host each year in Waco. Prizes are \$1000 for the winner who is sponsored to the National Contest. \$500.00 also goes to the university the winner attends. Runners up receive a \$200 cash award. They also pay transportation costs for participants. They want to increase participants so asked for e-mail addresses for representatives from each institution. He answered several questions from members.

Mr. Tom Maynard of TX FFA/ Austin visited with the group about issues concerning Texas FFA.

Issues discussed:

Updates on CDE committee:

They are currently selecting a new chairman for a 4 year term. Feedback on nominees was requested.

They are currently working on revisions of current CDEs. Representatives from lead institutions and other universities are needed in the revision process. Two new events are being explored.

They are Environmental Science and Veterinary Technician.

2011 State Convention will be held in Lubbock followed by Corpus Christi, Dallas and Ft Worth.

Task force is being assembled to develop policies and procedures to address student and teacher ethics.

Texas FFA 4H Collaboration effort will work on a new initiative to create key talking points for agricultural advocacy.

Gerald Young has announced his retirement effective August, 2011. Search committee is being formed to identify a new executive director to begin in July, 2011.

The 2010-2011 Texas Agricultural Education Calendar was also distributed to at least one member from each institution. Tom would also be glad to e-mail it to those who want an electronic copy. It is also online.

Texas FFA magazine is now online and not published as a hard copy. (news.texasffa.org)

Ms. Rachel Bobbitt of TTU made a presentation and for the ACT recruitment booth at the National FFA Convention Career Show.

Booth is reserved and work on decor and shipping of supplies is being done. New booth has been bought. Cost was \$1200 rather than the anticipated \$3000.

Consortium name tags have been ordered for booth workers which can be used from year to year.

Copies of the proof for the new brochure were distributed and any changes were requested (need to be to Rachel by September 13). Prairie View A&M will be removed as voted at the spring meeting. Changes will be made to update Junior Colleges to be included. Rachel wants to order enough for two years so future updates can be made every other year.

Each ACT member institution is to send give-aways (two good ones and twenty five smaller ones). Mail to Rachel at Box 412123, Lubbock, Tx 79409 by September 20. Ideas for future booths were discussed. Encourage students to apply to work at the booth.

HLSR – Dale Perritt reported that Candy Sigust was unable to come but he had visited with her and she said Assistantships were on firm ground.

Clay Ewell gave a report from Judgingcard.com which is now a business not just a person. His brother, Russell is now working with him. They will score national contests this year. This spring is the last round for the current version of contests. Updates will be in place by the next round. It will be a challenge to have all the revisions ready. Suggested we extend our appreciation to Bobby Rosenbush for his work as chairman of the CDE committee. They are working on analyzing participant data to explore correlation to enrollment in colleges.

Other Business:

Dale shared information from Ralph Ward concerning our 501(c)(3) status. Discussion of future planning for use of funds ensued. An endowment for scholarships was suggested. Changes in journal expenses would have a significant effect as well. Make this an agenda item for the spring meeting. Bob Young will seek specific suggestions from the attorney.

Ted Ford suggested we think about having a job fair for all of our schools. Ideas for this event were explored. Pros and cons were discussed. Possible co-sponsors were also discussed. This will be an agenda item for the spring.

Campus Updates of TAMU, TTU, SFASU, ASU, ACU, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY, TAMUC, KILGORE COLLEGE, TRINITY VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SHSU, PARIS JUNIOR COLLEGE, TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE, MCC, LON MORRIS COLLEGE, TAMUK.

Directory Updates: Each institution should send their updates electronically to Clay Ewell. Updated e-mail lists should be sent to Norm Hopper.

The ACT fall Business Session was adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

ACT TOURS:

Sports Hall of Fame
Texas Ranger Museum

THANKS FOR HOSTING: Barry Jones received accolades for hosting the ACT fall 2010 meeting. The meeting was the result of much time and hard work. The tours, meals, meeting rooms, and accommodations were excellent. Be sure to send *Thank You* letters to the hosts and sponsors listed on the last page.

FALL MEETING and TJCAA:

Rob Kinucan and Sul Ross State University will host the spring meeting April 4,5,6, 2011.
Rooms have been booked at the Hampton Inn.

**AGRICULTURAL CONSORTIUM OF TEXAS
MEETINGS**

FALL

1977 FORT WORTH
1978 SUL ROSS
1979 SAM HOUSTON
1980 TEXAS TECH
1981 EAST TEXAS
1982 WTAMU
1983 ASU
1984 TEXAS STATE
1985 TAMUK
1986 SFA
1987 TEXAS TECH
1988 WEST TEXAS
1989 SAM HOUSTON
1990 TEXAS STATE
1991 SUL ROSS
1992 TAMU
1993 ACU
1994 TSU
1995 PVAMU
1996 TAMUC
1997 TAMUK
1998 TAMU
1999 KILGORE
2000 BLINN
2001 HOUSTON CC
2002 TRINITY VALLEY
2003 WEATHERFORD
2004 TYLER JC
2005 FRANK PHILLIPS
2006 COASTAL BEND
2007 TEXARKANA
2008 ODESSA - SEPT 24, 25, 26
2009 PARIS JC – SEPT 23, 24, 25
2010 MCC – Sept. 8, 9 10
2011 NCTC – Sept. TBA
2012 ????

SPRING

1978 NO MEETING
1979 NO MEETING
1980 NO MEETING
1981 TEXAS STATE
1982 SHSU
1983 TEXAS STATE
1984 SHSU
1985 AUSTIN
1986 AUSTIN
1987 AUSTIN
1988 HLSR
1989 HLSR
1990 HLSR
1991 SALE
1992 HLSR
1993 AUSTIN
1994 FT. WORTH
1995 AUSTIN
1996 ASU
1997 WTAMU
1998 SFA
1999 TX TECH
2000 SUL ROSS
2001 SFA
2002 TAMUK
2003 TEXAS STATE
2004 TSU
2005 SAM HOUSTON
2006 WTAMU
2007 ACU
2008 TAMU
2009 ASU – APRIL 1,2, 3
2010 TAMU-Commerce – APRIL 7, 8, 9
2011 SUL ROSS – APRIL 6, 7, 8
2012 PVAMU – APRIL 4, 5, 6
2013 TX TECH – APRIL 10, 11, 12

SEE YOU at Sul Ross!!!

Folks to Thank

Ag Workers
McLennan Community College
Barry Jones

Respectfully submitted:

Ed Brokaw