LOUISIANA CCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 1, 2008

Place: Rapides Extension Building, LSUA Campus, Alexandria, La.

Board Members Present: Marty Pousson, J Stevens, John Fontane, Rustin Gilder

Meeting came to order at 2:00pm

Topics of Discussion were:

1) Financial Statement for 2007
2) Financial Statement for 2008 thru September
3) The board approved a proposal by John F. that up to $800.00 of excess funds can be used each year for educational meetings. This would help cover expenses that exceed income received for these meetings.
4) ICCA bank fees have increased from $120.00 per year to $200.00 per year effective 2008.
5) Future meeting scheduled for 2008 are as such:
   Wheat Production meeting to be held on Oct. 10th
   Rice Production meeting to be held on Oct. 29th.
6) La. CCA had a new agreement with the LSU Ag Center for meeting the Ag Center conducts for the La. CCA. The Ag Center will now charge $5.00 per CEU hour instead of $10.00 per CEU hour. Expenses will be handled separate. It was agreed that we will continue to charge $35.00 for CCA's and non CCA's that attend these meeting. LSU Ag Center personnel will pay meal fees only.
7) CCA program needs speaker for educational meeting for 2009 especially on the subjects of Soil and Water and Nutrient Management.
8) ICCA will no longer co-op ads. La. CCA is due a credit of $275 that is not on current 2008 financial statement. This is for Co-Op ads not given in 2007.
9) One person took CCA exam in August. He did not pass.
10) It was noted that Jack Gilmore has a computer link where a study session for CCA exams is given. This needs to be looked into as more people may be interested.
11) La. CCA has a letter of endorsement from LSU Ag Center agent Eddie Eskew. This letter will be sent to all persons that are potential CCA's. John Saichuk says he will also give a list of LSU Ag Center agents that may be potential CCA's.
12) Marty P. gave update on LDAF.
13) John F. informed the members present that we need to rethink about doing our own La. CCA exam. He told board that he is not capable of redoing the test and would again like the board to consider doing a test with Arkansas and Mississippi. It is noted that the board voted at the Feb. meeting to keep doing it's own test.
14) John F. informed the board that he still intends to send out a copy of ethics form to all members to Voluntary sign.
15) Board agreed to put ad in La. Farm and Ranch in 2009 if funds are available. It was agreed that a news article about La. CCA and a list of CCA's be put in La. Farm and Ranch Magazine in 2009. Rustin G. says he would like to see a group photo of several CCA's put in the LF&R.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm