

**SAAS**  
**Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 05, 2008**

Call to Order by President Jimmie Clark in the Adam's Mark Hotel Majestic Boardroom at 7:00 am on Tuesday, February 05, 2008. Jimmie Clark welcomed everyone and was glad to see the numbers present. He made sure everyone had an agenda. No additions were added.

Roll Call was done by sign-in sheet and personal introduction of each attendee. In attendance were:

Executive Committee: Milo Shult, Mark Legendre, Jimmie G. Clark  
and Randol Waters (member at large)

Ag Communications: Tracey Rutherford and Virginia Morgan

Ag Economics: C.W. "Bill" Herndon, Jr. and H. L. Goodwin

Ag Education: Antoine Alston, and Dennis Duncan

Agronomy: Nathan Slaton and M. Wayne Ebelhar

Animal Science: Chad Chase and Beth Kegley

Biochemistry: S K Ballal and Jeff Doles

Plant Pathology: Kenny Seebold and Boyd Padgett

Research Center: Ray Cartee

Rural Sociology: Gene Theodori and Enefiok Ekanem

A quorum was established.

Group acknowledged the Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau and Birmingham Sheraton for sponsoring the Board's Breakfast. The board then heard a presentation on the Birmingham site including the new entertainment district next to the Sheraton. It was voted, with one group dissention, that the 2012 SAAS meeting would be held in Birmingham. The future locations were discussed very briefly as 2009—Westin Peachtree Plaza in Atlanta, Georgia (Jan. 31-Feb. 3), 2010—Wyndham Orlando Resort in Orlando, Florida (Feb. 6-9), and 2011—Omni Hotels in Corpus Christi, Texas (Feb. 5-8).

There was further discussion and agreement on the importance of having a multi-discipline session(s) with crosscutting issues at SAAS in place of the General Session as well as emphasizing this in each association's breakouts. Several different format and options were discussed as possible ways to handle it. It was decided to appoint a small committee to develop an implementation plan for next year. Virginia Morgan, Alabama, and H. L. Goodwin, Jr., Arkansas, volunteered and were appointed. Mark Legendre agreed to setup a conference call quickly to start the process.

Jimmie Clark again thanked everyone for making this year's conference another success, and with no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.

Submitted by:

Mark Legendre  
Secretary/Treasurer