SAAS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Sunday, February 02, 2020 Louisville, Kentucky

Call to Order by Paul Patterson, SAAS President in the Commonwealth Ballroom 3 at 2:30 pm.

Roll Call was done by sign-in sheet and everyone introduced themselves.

In attendance were:

Academic Department Heads: Tom Coon and Eric Young Executive Committee: Tim Cross, Mark Legendre, and M. Wayne Ebelhar Ag Education: Krishna Paudel Agronomy: Nithya Rajan and L. Jason Krutz Horticultural Science: David Reed and Amy Wright Rural Sociology: Buddhi Gyawali and Jin Young Choi A quorum was established.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Minutes from Birmingham, AL, 2019 Board Meetings and General Business Meeting were approved with one name typo correction.

President Paul Patterson made general comments on the importance of Associations continuing to meet with SAAS and the good financial standing of SAAS.

Nomination Committee: Tim Cross reported that the SAAS President-elect nomination at the AHS meeting was Robert Taylor from the Florida A&M University. Wayne Ebelhar of Mississippi State University was also nominated for member at large. The report and nomination were accepted and approved by the Board.

Financial Committee: A financial report was given by Mark Legendre showing a spend down of \$2,576 for last year with \$42,408 in receipts and \$44,984 expended. The remaining cash reserve was \$59,214. A motion was made, and the financial report was accepted by the Board.

President Paul Patterson made the following announcements/reminders:

General Business Meeting will be at 4:00 pm in the *Commonwealth Room* 3 with Dr. J. Scott Angle, Director, National Institute of Food & Agriculture, speaking.

SAAS Social and "Super Bowl Party," from 5:00 pm 'till, will be at *Griff's Sports Restaurant* which is directly across street from hotel. It is supported by Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Co., Jackson, Mississippi, and Affiliates. It was requested that everyone contract their state Farm Bureau representative and thank them for their support.

Meeting was adjourned approximately 3:30 pm.

Submitted by: Mark Legendre, Secretary/Treasurer