## **SAAS General Business Meeting Minutes**

Sunday, February 02, 2020 Louisville, Kentucky

Call to Order by Paul Patterson, SAAS President, in the Commonwealth Ballroom 3 at 4:05 pm.

SAAS President Paul Patterson welcomed everyone. He commented on the Administrative Heads commitment to SAAS and continuing of this meeting. He committed on the good financial standing of SAAS and the future venues.

President Patterson expressed thanks to sponsors Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance for the monetary donation in support of the Super Bowl Party, and to the LSU AgCenter for administrative support and printing the programs.

President Patterson reported the Nomination Committee nominated Robert Taylor from the Florida A&M University, for SAAS President-elect; and Wayne Ebelhar, Mississippi State University, was nominated for member at large. A motion was made to accept nominations and were duly elected.

Incoming SAAS President Tim Cross made a few welcoming and opening statements on the importance of SAAS and Agriculture.

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.

It was announced that the 2021 SAAS Conference will be held at in Irving, TX outside of Dallas/Fort Worth. Hotels will be Westin Irving and Texican Court with meeting space at the Irving Convention Center.

Dr. J. Scott Angle, Director of National Institute of Food and Agriculture, updated the audience on NIFA's move to Kansas City and general happenings within NIFA. He took questions at the end of his presentation.

No new or old business discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:40 pm.

Submitted by: Mark Legendre Secretary/Treasurer