



Georgia ANREP
Fall Board Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2019
Macon/Bibb County Extension Office

Call to Order—James Morgan – 10:12 a.m.

Present: Karol Kelly, Stephanie Butcher, Jessica Warren, Bryan Fluech, Kevin Livingston, Doug Collins, Kim Toal, James Morgan, Yanni Chen, Ashley Hoppers, Richard Evans, Michael Abney, Kasey Bozeman, Heather Kolich, Dr. Rochelle Sapp OLOD, (via Zoom, Amanda Tedrow, Laura Ney)

Introductions—James Morgan

Introductions of GANREP 2020 Officers—Karol Kelly

Yanni joins as NW District Director (DeKalb)

Richard Evans (SE District)

Kasey – State Staff

Remaining

Jessica – moves from president-elect to president

Heather – 2nd term as secretary

Ashley—conference

James – moves from president to past-president

Kim – moves to Treasurer as Stephanie rotates off

Doug – SW district (Lee) 2nd term

Kevin – rotating off

Bryan – president-elect

Michael – NE district director 2nd term

Karol – moves into Regional Champion position

Approval of Minutes—Heather Kolich

Jessica Warren made a motion to approve; Ashley Hoppers second; all in favor of approving minutes.

Reports of Officers

Financial Report and Membership Update—Stephanie Butcher

Stephanie provided treasurer report handouts, November 2019 \$5,842.43 – conference and dues that came in. Previous report from April was before all conference expenses came in.

P&L – made \$1,177.67 profit on conference.

Membership report: 34 members. It is OK to pay dues online at National ANREP site; county checks get recorded now.

Georgia ANREP Conference—Amanda Tedrow and Laura Ney
Conference and State Meeting is May 27-29, 2020 in Athens, GA.

May 27, Pre-conference event options:

- 1) 4-H Forestry Judging Coach Certification Training, probably at the Athens-Clark County Extension Office. Flinchum's Phoenix was discussed, but may be cost prohibitive.
- 2) Kayak down the Broad River

May 28, Full conference begins. There will be five speakers throughout event. Conference committee is Jessica Warren, Alecia Holloway, Amanda Tedrow, and Laura Ney. Potential fieldtrips for afternoon:

- 1) Greenway through town and Sandy Creek Nature Center (Laura)
- 2) Botanical Gardens (Amanda)
- 3) Warnell and Whitehall (Jessica)

May 29, More speakers in the morning, then agent and specialist presentations. Ashley is helping Kim with this.

Laura said meals options for pre-registered attendees include lunch and dinner for Thursday and Friday.

Amanda is looking at downtown hotels for convenient proximity to meal venues.

Michael Abney suggested considering the Georgia Center to take advantage of UGA discount pricing. Rochelle suggested contacting Bridgett for booking.

Kevin suggested having registration forms ready by January so they are available for ANREP table at Winter School. He also suggested reaching out to Mike Mengak to request a contribution similar to the \$500 he contributed last year.

Master Naturalist participation will be capped at 25. Karol suggested charging them more to help raise funds. [Suggestion was for \$100 over conference cost; discussion followed. I did not record a different amount.]

ANREP National Conference

The following Georgia ANREP members have had posters or Ignite sessions accepted and will present at the National ANREP conference in Oregon: Ashley Hoppers, Jessica Warren, James Morgan, Bryan Fluech (or someone from Marine Extension), Karol Kelly, Alecia Holloway, and Amanda Tedrow.

JCEP Extension Leadership Conference and JCEP Public Issues Leadership Development Conference Delegates—James Morgan

February 12-13, 2020 is **JCEP Conference** in San Antonio, TX. Bylaws state the president and past-president attend; James went last year and will not go this year. He recommended sending just one

person this year. Jessica will attend. As a delegate, \$750 is available to assist with registration and travel expenses. Registration is typically \$350-\$400; hotels are around \$250/night.

April 5-8, 2020 is PILD Conference in Arlington, VA/ DC area. Delegates will visit with congressional representatives. \$1250 is available for president and past-president to attend. James will be attending as JCEP representative and has other funding. Jessica Warren will attend as president and Heather Kolich will attend as a board officer. All will need to attend December 11, 2019 JCEP meeting in Athens.

Georgia ANREP Strategic Planning Session—Dr. Rochelle Sapp, Leadership Development Specialist (OLOD)

Board members participated in several exercises as a starting point to developing a strategic plan for organization. Exercises helped to answer core questions:

- 1) What is our purpose as an organization? What message can we use to communicate our purpose with others? How do we engage them?
- 2) What are our strengths as a board?
- 3) What are potential opportunities?

Actionable items from session:

Semi-annual newsletter. James Morgan, Jessica Warren, Stephanie Butcher, Yanni Chen.

Video shorts using Biteable – Stephanie Butcher

Creation of Communication Committee – Michael Abney, Karol Kelly, Kasey Bozeman, Heather Kolich. Mission: to get Agent tabs on Center for Urban Agriculture website active so it can warehouse sharable programs. Create/ solicit shareable programs.

Internal recruitment and New Agent recruitment events – Bryan Fluech, Ashley Hoppers, Kevin Livingston, Doug Collins, Richard Evans, Kim Toal.

Reach out to Mike Martin, District Extension Directors, and Program District Coordinators to encourage them to support ANREP and new agent participation in ANREP; keep them informed of what we are doing. Jessica Warren and James Morgan.

Lunch

New Business

Website update; having trouble engaging Richie Bramen to update and launch website:

GAANREP.ugurbanag.com

Need to discuss with Paul Pugliese and Richie how to go active.

First year's state membership. James stated there is nothing in writing in the bylaws. Amanda has recommended making the first year of state membership free for new members.

Michael Abney made motion for association to pay both state (\$25) and national (\$60) dues for new members. Motion seconded by Jessica and passed by voice vote. Dues are payable in January for calendar year.

Jessica discussed having a Georgia ANREP exhibit booth at Winter School on Tuesday, January 14 Wednesday, January 15, 2020, from 4:15-7 p.m. She will send Doodle Poll for members to sign up for a shift and to let her know what ANREP materials or related items each can bring.

Dates to Remember

JCEP Extension Leadership Conference—**February 12-13, 2020 San Antonio, TX**

ANREP Board Meeting—**March 3, 2020 Rock Eagle, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.** Jessica, James, and Heather will attend. Will need to stay for additional PILD delegate meeting afterward (30-45 minutes).

JCEP Public Issues Leadership Development Conference—**April 5-8, 2020 Arlington, VA**

ANREP National Conference—**May 3-6, 2020 Sunriver Resort—Bend, OR**

GANREP State Meeting—May 27-29, 2020 Athens/Clarke County

Kevin Livingston made a motion to give free registration to a Georgia ANREP conference to the board member who recruits the most new members to the organization. New members must come to the 2020 conference. Richard seconded the motion; it passed with a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned by mutual consent at 2:48 p.m.

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Heather N. Kolich