

North Central Region AAAE Report
American Association for Agricultural Education Conference, May 2009
Greg Miller – NC AAAE President

The North Central Region meeting was held September 21-23, 2009 in Ithaca, New York, on the campus of Cornell University and the hotel facilities of the Ramada Inn. A total of 72 people registered for the conference including faculty (40), graduate students (19), undergraduate students (5), spouses (6), and others (2). Bill Camp and Travis Park served as conference hosts. Lloyd Bell and Dan Husmann coordinated the research conference and John Ewing coordinated the poster session.

Awards and Recognition

Early Career Agricultural Educator: Shannon G. Washburn, Kansas State University
Distinguished Teaching: Rama B. Radhakrishna, The Pennsylvania State University
Outstanding Agricultural Educator: Robert M. Torres, University of Missouri

Outstanding Research Paper Presentation

Examining Undergraduate Student Involvement in Collegiate Student Organizations in Colleges of Agriculture, Marlene Von Stein and Anna Ball, University of Missouri.

1st runner-up, Creative and Effective Teaching Behaviors of University Instructors, Mollie Aschenbrener, Robert Terry, and Robert Torres, University of Missouri.

2nd runner-up - tie, Does Mind Matter? Mind Styles and Satisfaction Among Mentor/Protégé Pairs in Missouri, Jon Ulmer, Misty Lambert, and Amy Smith, University of Missouri.

2nd runner-up - tie, Leadership Courses Required in Agricultural Teacher Education programs, Jon Simonsen and Robert Birkenholz, The Ohio State University.

Outstanding Research Poster

Faculty Advising in a College of Agriculture: An Investigation of Student Needs and Faculty Performance, Amy Smith and Bryan Garton, University of Missouri.

1st runner-up, Selected Demographics of Missouri Agricultural Mechanics Programs, Ryan Saucier and Rob Terry, University of Missouri.

2nd runner-up, The Relationship Between College of Agriculture Students' Self-Perceived Interpersonal Communication Styles and Verbal Communication Skills, David Frazier and Bryan Garton, University of Missouri.

Outstanding Innovative Idea Poster

Becoming the Teacher of Best Practices: A Pre-Service Teacher Self-Assessment, Stacey Vincent and Anna Ball, University of Missouri.

1st runner-up, Engaging Community Volunteers to Establish a Teaching and Learning Center in Horticulture, Richard Steffen, Jessica Chambers, and Jeff Wood Illinois State University.

2nd runner-up, An Undergraduate Peer Teaching Approach to Portfolio Development Across the Curriculum, Daniel Foster, James Connors, Jamie Cano, and Susie Whittington, The Ohio State University.