

## **AAAE Standing Committees**

### **Member Services**

*Purpose.* The purpose of the Member Services Committee is to collect, summarize, and distribute appropriate information/data to the AAAE membership.

*Committee Activities.* To accomplish its purpose, the Member Services Committee carries out the following activities:

1. Revise and publish annually the Directory of University Agricultural Educators.
2. Conduct an annual salary survey and a periodic supply and demand study, summarize the data and distribute to the membership.
3. Collect and post on the AAAE website the positions available in agricultural education.
4. Provide information and establish policies for posting information on the AAAE website and determine policy for release of directory information.
5. Carry out other activities agreed upon by the membership and/or Executive Committee.
6. Review and update the AAAE Constitution and Bylaws as they pertain to the Member Services Committee.
7. Develop opportunities to increase communication in the organization through the use of chat rooms, bulletin boards, and listservs.

### **Professional Development**

*Purpose.* The purpose of the Professional Development Committee is to plan, develop, and coordinate activities that enhance membership in AAAE, provide for the growth and development of members, recognize members for exemplary contributions, and secure competent leaders for the organization to ensure effective and efficient operation of the organization.

*Committee Activities.* To accomplish its purpose, the Professional Development Committee carries out the following activities:

1. Select a representative from each region to secure nominations for AAAE officers, under the direction of the Past-President.
2. Review the awards program and nominate individuals for appropriate awards.
3. Provide leadership for determining, planning and implementing professional development workshops and in-service activities for AAAE members at national meetings. (i.e. research pre-sessions)
4. Develop and request annually from AAAE a budget for the committee's activities.
5. Carry out other activities related to professional development agreed upon by the membership and/or Executive Committee of AAAE.

## **Program Improvement**

*Purpose.* The purpose of the Program Improvement Committee is to enhance existing programs, encourage and support new program initiatives, and provide agricultural leadership that will positively impact agricultural education.

*Committee Activities:* To accomplish its purpose, the Program Improvement Committee carries out the following activities:

1. The committee will identify special interest groups and facilitate collegial working relationships.
2. Provide opportunities for collaboration within and outside of agricultural education.
3. Serve as an advocate for improvement of teaching and learning in agriculture.
4. Provide leadership and representation on organizations of the profession.
5. Coordinate the AAAE Poster Session to facilitate the exchange of ideas and activities among the members.
6. Carry out other activities related to program improvement agreed upon by the membership and/or Executive Committee of AAAE.
7. Review and update AAAE Constitution and Bylaws as they pertain to the committee.

## **Research**

*Purpose:* The purpose of the Research Committee is to promote scholarly research and development activities amount the membership that leads to advancing the professional of agricultural education.

*Committee Activities:* To accomplish its purpose, the Research Committee is charged with the following:

1. Promote dissemination of research through professional research meetings such as the National Agricultural Education Research Conference and regional research conferences.
2. Identify individuals and/or departments to chair the National Agricultural Education Research Conference.
3. Recommend policies related to research conferences to facilitate the dissemination of research.
4. Recommend policies related to dissemination of research through journals and other appropriate media.
5. Coordinate with the Communication Committee and other appropriate AAAE committees the dissemination or research on the AAAE web site.
6. Promote recognition of research and development activities of members through programs including: but not limited to:
  - Outstanding research papers at the National Agricultural Education Research Conference
  - Journal of Agricultural Education Author of the Year Awards Program
7. Carry out other activities related to research agreed upon by the membership and/or Executive Committee of AAAE.
8. Foster collaboration with other regions and communicate funding opportunities available for agricultural education research.
8. Maintain a connection with the goals and activities of other related societies and agencies.