

MACS NEWS

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2011 MACS/MNASCOE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting was held on July 29, 2011 in St. Cloud. A joint session with MNASCOE was followed by the MACS business meeting. There were 13 MACS members in attendance. The full meeting report will be provided when it is completed.

Linda Hennen, SED and Glenn Schafer, Executive Officer addressed the group.

VERA, VSIP and 2012 Budget, Staffing ceilings, and HWCP were the main topics of discussion.

VERA: Minnesota had 11 employees take VERA, 9 CO and 2 GS.

VSIP: Linda wasn't sure if the request had been sent to OMB.

Staff ceilings: 9% reduction nationally = 38 positions for MN.

FY2012: Will be cut 15% above FY2011.

HWCP: Secretary Vilsack's #1 priority = #1 priority for MN also.

Full minutes from the annual meeting will be posted to the website shortly.

Resolutions voted on at the annual meeting will be added to website shortly.

Officer elections were held and the new officers for 2010-2011 are:

President – Kevin Kvistero
Vice President – Amy Dykema
Treasurer – Ellen Dilly
Secretary – Brianne Kaschmitter
Past President – Paula Lund
NASE Contact – Sheree Krogstad

District Representatives are still needed for the following districts: 3, 6, & 7.
These districts will need to vote to appoint new representatives.

Dues are now due from many of the members that have not enrolled in a direct deposit or were 1st time new members last year. Dues are to be sent to Ellen Dilly.

MACS COMMITTEES

MACS has primary committees that work on various issues throughout the year. They also review and present the resolutions to the members each year at the State meeting. The committees are: Farm Loan Program, Farm Program, Management/Personnel and Information/Technology. If you are interested in participating on a committee, please contact me or let one of the officers know.

NACS/NASE UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Zone B Meeting - Texas, February 3-4, 2012

LINKS

NACS - www.nacsfsa.net

NASE - www.nasefsa.org

2011 - 2012 MACS BOARD

President – Kevin Kvistero
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District 1 Rep – Gretchen Smeby
District 2 Rep – James Kruize
District 3 Rep -
District 4 Rep – Jen Robinson
District 5 Rep – Sarah Kern
District 6 Rep –
District 7 Rep –
District 8 Rep – Michael Sorg