SAAS Board of Directors  
Breakfast Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 05, 2019  
Birmingham, Alabama

Breakfast was served and meeting called to Order by President Tom Coon at 7.30 a.m. in the East Meeting Room F of the Convention Center.

Roll Call was done by sign-in sheet and personal introduction of each attendee.

In attendance were:
- Administrative Heads: Tom Coon and Eric Young
- Executive Committee: Mark Legendre, and M. Wayne Ebelhar
- Ag Economics: Krishna Paudel
- Ag Education: Barbara Kirby and Ashley Yopp
- Agronomy: Julie Howe and L. Jason Krutz
- Rural Sociology: Jin Young Choi, David Nii O. Tackie, and Robert Zabawa
- Event Planner: Rick Connor
- Sawgrass Marriott Representatives: Jaime Trahant and Lynette Parkhell-Wuebben

A quorum was established.

The Sawgrass Marriott Representative gave a presentation on the Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa for a possible venue for the year 2021. Most questions reviled around the distance from airport, restaurants, and off-site activities. Due to the mixed response towards the venue, it was decided not to move forward with this site.

A short discussion ensued on possible future sights included Austin, TX; Houston, TX; Dallas, TX; Fort Worth, TX; and Oklahoma City, OK. Board recommended to find a venue on the western side of SAAS’s region and to find it quickly due to some associations bylaws and planning decisions that need to be made.

Various positive comments and appreciation were expressed on the Birmingham venue and conference.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 am.

Submitted by:

Mark Legendre  
Secretary/Treasure