

## **CGA Education Working Group Meeting Minutes**

3/3/14 2:00 pm

Buon Giorno restaurant - Lilydale

Attendees: Claude Anderson, Betty Jo Kiesow, Jeff Murray, Kris Tande

### **2014 Section Goals**

#### **Ag Awareness (Claude Anderson)**

The purpose of Ag Awareness is to review the Statute 216D and get input on changes, education on utilizing the One Call system in the rural areas, especially for tiling, and creating a statewide resource for agricultural issues such as drain tiling.

#### **2014 Goals**

- Get a list of meetings and determine who will volunteer to speak at the meetings
  - Town hall meetings (4 or 5)
  - State fair booth
  - LICA conference
  - Farmfest
  - New equipment shows, farm shows, seed dealers
- Determine and prepare resources to be added to the CGA website
- Get information on the CGA website
- Publish farm tap density map

#### **DP Meetings (Kris Tande)**

The purpose of the DP meeting group is to provide a resource for the scheduling and setting up of DP meetings statewide.

#### **2014 Goals**

- Follow-up on DP meeting surveys from 2014 DP meetings, including communicating results and recommending changes
- Survey the DP Coordinators after the 2014 DP meetings on the following:
  - What they would like to see on the website and from CGA
  - Ask if they used the web site and their thoughts
  - Getting involvement and participation
  - To communicate 2015 scheduling changes
- Set up web site to better schedule 2015 DP meetings. This will include blocks of time the speakers will be in various parts of the state.
- Creating a DP meeting group and getting more involvement by DP Coordinators

### Best Practices (Jeff Murray)

The purpose of the Best Practices group is to work with CGA members to review, recommend, and educate on Best Practices.

#### 2014 Goals

- Create a structure for the Best Practices group modeled after the National CGA
- Review the current Best Practices
- Determine low-hanging fruit
- Education plan for Best Practices for 2015 – what and where and who

### Communication

We will give a monthly email update on the status of the goals for each group and meet quarterly to discuss goals and any additional items. These updates will be forwarded to the CGA officers. Each group leader will give an update at the CGA meetings.