

MWA Meeting Report  
Corpus Christi, TX  
August 13, 2011

The MWA had 30 in attendance each day at the area meeting, with all states being represented. The MWA membership agrees that maintaining county office employee numbers should take priority over bricks and mortar.

The MWA supports maximizing on the opportunities to serve our producers. Strengthening the County Committee authority and structure, along with reviewing the FSA structure from the top-down should be NASCOE's priority. NASCOE should not support a plan that only looks at the county office level structure. NASCOE should also continue communicating our strengths for the 2012 farm bill and securing workload to administer the farm programs contained in the upcoming farm bill.

Recently hired FSA employees and newly elected Congressmen need to be educated on the importance that the COC plays with administration of farm programs.

When considering a joint National Convention, the MWA believes that NASCOE should keep an open mind and welcome discussion with our sister associations and management. However, NASCOE shall maintain the integrity of our purpose and current convention process.

The MWA re-elected Charlene Neukomm as MWA Exec and also re-elected Dennis Ray as their Alternate Exec.

In closing, I would like to thank Dennis Ray for always asking what he can do to help. I would also like to thank the Midwest Area for putting their trust in me as their representative on the NASCOE Executive Board. I would like to thank the members of this Executive Board for their dedication, hardwork and friendships.

Respectfully submitted,

*Charlene Neukomm*