

National Association of Credit Specialists

Zones C & D, Spring/Summer 2020

Zone C & D Meeting

The 2020 Zone C and D meeting was held February 27-29, in Lexington, Kentucky. The meeting was held jointly, with NACS and NASE representing Farm Loan Program associations and KASCOE employees attending for their Annual State Meeting.

The opening ceremonies included a welcome message from Nathan Adams, Zone C Representative and Vicki Swift, KY, KACS President. Welcomed guests included Jason Issac, KY, representing NADD; Nicole Cleggs-Burns, AL, representing FLC Association; Dawn Ovesen, KY, KASCOE President and Beth Farmer, AL, NASCOE SW Area Executive. Kentucky SED, Brian Lacefield, and Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture, Ryan Quarles, also welcomed attendees to the state.

The Farm Service Agency National Office was well-represented by Bill Cobb, DAFLP and Martin Bomar, Director of Personnel Policy & Operations Division, DAFO. NFAOC attended via Skype, and hosted a question/answer session after their presentation.

Seven first-time attendees were recognized as part of the program. These attendees represented both NACS & NASE membership. They were welcomed by LeAnn Gibbs, NACS President.

NACS attendees were treated to a power point presentation regarding the proposed introduction of “BOT’s,” which will simplify our work life, followed by a good discussion with Bill Cobb.

The entertainment portion of the meeting included a tour of the famed Blue Grass Stockyards Regional Marketplace, and optional attendance to the sales that were held that night.

The meeting wrapped up on Saturday morning, with Dave Bonnett presenting the Legislative portion of the agenda, and LeAnn Gibbs delivering the NACS President’s address.



Crystal Zwilling, IL, gives brief update
on the Membership Committee

**North Carolina has
volunteered to host
the 2021 NACS/
NASE Zone C & D
meeting!**

**Stay tuned for more
information!**



Bill Cobb, DAFLP, addresses the group during discussion/Q & A regarding various issues

Dana Baucom, Tennessee, presents power-point introducing “Penny,” the BOT that will make our FLP lives easier





NACS and NASE Zone C & D First-time attendees, with LeAnn Gibbs, NACS President. States represented include: Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois and Virginia.

Jackie Bigham, NASE member from Arkansas, said that attending the NACS/NASE Zone meeting was a great opportunity to meet other Farm Loan Program employees from different states and see how common concerns affect us all. One of her most memorable experiences was learning how the Resolution process works. She enjoyed the joint attendance of NACS and NASE at the same location, the food and the snow!

She said she is looking forward to attending many more NACS/NASE meetings in the future.



Dave Bonnett, NC, gives
Legislative briefing Saturday morning
after the meeting.





Martin Bomer, Director of Personnel Policy & Operations Division, DAFO, addresses NACS/NASE Members at the 2020 joint Zone C & D meeting in Lexington, Kentucky



Join us in Omaha, Nebraska for the 2020 National Convention!

Dates have changed due to national COVID-19 concerns, but NACS marches on! August 29—September 2, 2020

Submit your resolutions via [NACS.com](https://www.nacs.com) or to your Zone Rep.

If you're thinking about running for a position on the NACS board for the 2020-2021 year—come on! NACS is a great group, and our board keeps us running smoothly—we need you!

