FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SOIL SCIENTISTS

2007 ANNUAL MEETING

October 26, 2007

The Annual meeting of the Florida Association of Environmental Soil Scientists (FAESS) was held on October 26, 2007 at Lake Helen, Panama City Beach, Florida. Twenty-two members and guests were present.

President Franz called the business meeting to order at 12:10 pm. After all attendees introduced themselves, Hurt distributed copies of the draft minutes of the 2006 Annual Meeting. After discussion, Schuster moved that they be accepted as distributed. Leach seconded the motion and the motion passed. Hurt distributed copies of the Treasurer's report:

FAESS Treasury Report 26 October, 2007 (as of September 30, 2007) September 30, 2007 Assets 1 year ago 18621.58 22,424.77 American Century Vangard Group 8263.17 9845.53 Credit Union Savings Account 7303.63 1649.40 Workbook Account 876.48 0 Checking Account 5603.24 3764.05 **Total Assets** 40668.10 37693.75 Supporting the FAESS Mission Florida DOH (Workshop Permit) 150.00 Land Judging Awards 342.60 Capstone (UF) 500.00 Florida Chapter SWCS 500.00 Florida 4-H foundation 300.00 V.W. Carlisle Fund 10000.00 Florida Envirothon 500.00 Total 12282.60

After discussion, Watts moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as distributed. Hammonds seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Membership discussed the different types of membership in FAESS which are available; the status and right of the different types (Full, Associate, and Affiliate) were explained.

Franz read Brown's annual report on Land Judging activities. Watts led a very lively and interesting discussion concerning the Land Judging program. Hammonds moved that the report be accepted as presented, Cooper seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Smith led a discussion on the Envirothon which will be held in Alachua County. Art Hornsby does need some help.

Schuster and Hammonds led a discussion concerning Florida DOH's TRAP (Technical Review and Advisory Panel). The Wekiva River Basin is still top priority.

Kuehl and Franz updated membership concerning activities of the Certification Committee. Board members are Kuehl, Reedy, Rischar, Hammonds, and Ellis. Various viewpoints were discussed; Ellis- students, Hammonds- DH, and Rischar- SJRWMD.

Watts distributed some junk.

Sullivan explained that he is lead soil scientist for the annual Hydric Soil workshop which is to be held in Cedar Key next April 15.

Leach explained the 2008 Southern Regional Soil Survey Conference would be held in Florida next July 14-17 and requested assistance. Various motions concerned different types of FAESS assistance were made and withdrawn. Smith moved that the FAESS Executive Committee would make any final decisions needed, Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Howell suggested the FAESS Newsletters and Annual Meeting information be posted on the web.

Schuster explained that the Saturday Field Trip would consist of describing and sampling the Benchmark Leon soil and a beach site where erosion and rising sea level have exposed spodic material on the beach and in the Gulf.

Franz requested a motion to adjourn, Schuster made the motion, Hammonds seconded the motion, and the motion passed at 3:09 pm.

Wade Hurt Wade Hurt, Secretary-Treasurer