Tuesday, September 18:
Meeting was called to order at 7:31 am

USA and Canada national boards met separately.

USDA Board discussions:
Karl Anderson presented information on the Farm Bill.
-Update on Farm Bill
-Waiting until after election to vote on it
-House Farm Bill $35 Billion
-Nutrition Programs $16 Billion
-What happens if Farm Bill is not passed? It will revert back to 1949 permanent law.

Ken Barbarick presented ASA update.
-very brief ASA update

Amy Asmus presented information on any Public/Private Collaboration Opportunities. POWERPOINT.
-Should NA CCA take a more visible role with partner organizations?
-Opportunities: Weed Resistance, state extension services, inspiring graduate students, 4Rs
-CCAs are the bridge between officials and growers
-What is Industry Saying?
-What is Industry looking for?
-CCA is a screening process for future, quality employees
-How do we move forward?
-New committee to search out opportunities, if interested give name to Luther

Lara Moody gave presentation on the TFI 4R Nutrient Stewardship. POWERPOINT.
-Increased Scrutiny of land and resources Management
-Negative headlines
-Potential rulemaking affecting Ag
-Environmental organizations litigating to force regulatory action
-Essential Goal of Agriculture
-Production and Efficiency
-US Dept of Agriculture
-Using proper rate, form, timing and method
-BMPs
-NRCs 590 Nutrient Management Standard
- Nutrient use Efficiency Technologies with 590 Standard
- Communicating with stakeholders
  - Need to not only be visible to growers, but need to be visible to the public
- 4R Website: www.NutrientStewardship.org
  - Quality newsletter
  - Partners link
  - Reviews/explanations of BMPs/4Rs
- Promotional Materials available
- 4R Advocate Program
- **MOTION:** R. Duncan motions to create/appoint committee to discuss 4R at state or national level, seconded by C. Lust; discussion; amendment—T. Kemp proposes there be a timeframe of 30 days added to original motion, seconded by K. Kennedy; motion passed

Roberta Parry presented the EPA Update. POWERPOINT.
  - Discussion/update on CAFOs
  - New rules? By April 30, 2013 EPA will propose revisions
- Nonpoint Source Control Program
- TMDLs
  - EPA is working with states to develop a vision for future of program
- Drinking Water: Protecting the Source FFA lesson plans (resource available thru FFA)
- USDA’s Conservation Effects Assessments
- Project (CEAP) update
  - 15 Top lessons learned
- EPA’s Farm Ranch & Rural Communities Federal Advisory Committee
- Outreach/Communications
  - Advance from EPA’s Ag FACA
- CCA Webinar with EPA on how they can help each other

Passing of gavel to Amy Asmus.
Meeting adjourned at 12 pm.