## DRAFT PROGRAM (2022 Meeting)

**Guest Speakers**

NC Commissioner of Agriculture Steve Troxler - Confirmed

Foundation President Jimmy Gentry – Invited

DEQ Secretary Elizabeth Biser - Confirmed

# Milton Heath Lecture – Joe Stanton, NCEM, Vernon and David, Savanah Sartin

## 2021 NCASWCD Officers

President – Blount Knowles (Bertie)

First Vice President – Chris Hughes (Watauga)

Second Vice President – George Teague (Guilford)

Past President – Chris Hogan (Orange)

Secretary – Nancy Carter (Mecklenburg)

Treasurer – Bill Yarborough (Haywood) Assistant Treasurer – Shane Whitaker (Randolph)

NACD Board Member – Mayles Payne (Alexander)

Alt. NACD Board Member – VACANT

Chaplain – Marvin Cavanaugh (Stokes)

Asst. Chaplain – Tracy Warren (Beaufort)

## 78th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

**NC ASSOCIATION OF SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**

**JANUARY 9-11, 2022**

**Sheraton Imperial RTP**

**Durham, NC**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022**

9:30 AM NC SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION WORK SESSION – **Empire A and B**

John Langdon, Chairperson, Presiding

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit for Work Session or Meeting*

2:00-3:00 DEA EXECUTIVE BOARD **Crystal Coast Ballroom**

Jason Byrd, DEA President, Presiding

2:00-6:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN **Empire Foyer AB**

2:00-6:00 PM EXHIBIT HALL REGISTRATION & MOVE IN **Imperial 123**

12:30-2:30 PM NCASWCD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.MEETING **Empire AB**

Blount Knowles, NCASWCD President, Presiding

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

1:00-3:00 PM FIRST TIMERS AND NEW SUPERVISOR ORIENTATION **Crown**

Franklin Williams, Past President, Facilitator

*2 Hours of Supervisor Training Credit*

2:00-3:00 PM AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE **Capital City**

Betty Mathews, President, Presiding

3:00-5:00 PM NC SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION **Imperial 4-7**

COMMISSION MEETING

John Langdon, Chairperson, Presiding

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit for Meeting or Work Session*

5:00-6:00 PM PRESIDENT’S WELCOME RECEPTION **Empire Ballroom**

*A complimentary reception will be served; rotating event.*

7:30 PM MEMORIAL SERVICE **Imperial 4-7**

Tracy Warren, Assistant Chaplain Presiding

Inspirational Message: Tracy Warren

Special Music: Conservation Pickers

9:00 PM NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING **Capital City**

Chris Hogan, Immediate Past President, Presiding

9:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM **Crown**

## MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022

6:00 – 7:00 AM EXHIBITOR MOVE IN **Imperial 1-3**

6:30 AM – 2:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN **Empire Foyer AB**

6:45 AM SUPERVISORS’ BREAKFAST **Empire CDE**

*Doors Open 6:30 AM*

Chris Hughes, Vice-President, Presiding Invocation: Tracy Warren, Assistant Chaplain

Oaths of Office -- New Area Chairs

NACD Report and Update

Franklin Williams, NC NACD Board Member Speaker: Candice Abinanti

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

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7:00 AM – 6:00 PM EXHIBIT HALL OPEN **Imperial 1-3**

7:45 to 9:00 AM AUXILIARY HOSPITALITY **???**

*Food and Coffee Provided*

8:30 AM GENERAL SESSION **Imperial 4-7**

Welcome: Blount Knowles, President, Presiding

Invocation: Tracy Warren, Assistant Chaplain

Presentation of Colors: Association Veterans

National Anthem: Vernon Cox and David Williams

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by President

Foundation

DEQ Secretary Biser

Comments from the Top - Commissioner

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM BANQUET SEATING RESERVATIONS **Foyer**

*(Bring name tag to make seating selection.)*

9:30 AM – NOON AUXILIARY INFORMATIONAL **Auditorium**

SESSION & BUSINESS MEETING

*See Separate Agenda for Auxiliary Activities*

10:00AM BREAK

10:30 AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS (KEEP IN MIND CERTIFICATION CREDITS OPPORTUNITIES)

*1.5 Hours of Supervisor Training Credit per Session*

**SESSION *#1 -- 2022 Executive Committee Orientation* Crown**

Chris Hughes., Association 1st Vice President, Facilitator

*Are you an incoming 2022 Area Chair or a member of the 2021 Executive Committee who will continue serving in 2022? If so, this session is specifically designed with you in mind. You will leave the session better informed about specific duties and responsibilities for the upcoming year. There will be plenty of time for dialogue with the incoming presiden,, regarding goals and expectations for 2022. Whether you’re a first time member of the Executive Committee or a veteran, this session is a must for getting you prepared for your role.*

**SESSION *# 2 – Conservation* *Easements;* Royal A**

***Are They Right for Your District***

Amanda Sand, Abby Haselton, and Tom Potter, NC Foundation

*NC Foundation lead project to provide training and information to local Districts concerning assisting and/or holding conservation easements.*

**SESSION #3 *– Conduct and Management (better name)* Bull Durham**

*Dept of Ag person???*

**SESSION #4 *– Leadership Project (by invitation only)* Empire AB**

*This Session will be the kick-off for those enrolled in the Leadership Initiative sponsored by the NC Foundation and the NC Tobacco Trust Fund. Dick Fowler, the first Executive Director of the Association will facilitate this get-to-know and get prepared session.*

**SESSION #5 – *Maximizing Local Priorities (Local Workgroups)* Imperial V**

**SESSION #6 *– Drones* Royal B**

**SESSION #7 *– Floodwise Program* Imperial IV**

NOON LEGISLATIVE LUNCH **Empire DE**

Craig Frazier, Legislative Committee Chair, Presiding

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

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1:30 PM COMMITTEE CHAIRS’ AND RECORDERS’ MEETING **Bull Durham**

2:00-5:00 PM RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Community Conservation Committee **Imperial VI,VII**

District Operations Committee **Imperial IV**

Education Committee **Auditorium**

Finance Committee **Royal B**

Legislative Committee **Royal A**

Natural Environment Committee **Crown**

Research and Technology Committee **Imperial V**

Water Resources Committee **Empire AB**

6:30 PM CONSERVATION EDUCATION DINNER **Empire Ballroom**

David Harris, Education Committee Chair, Presiding

Education Awards: Envirothon Hall of Fame

Food, Land, and People Awards Other Envirothon Awards

Teacher of the Year

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8:00 PM AUXILIARY AUCTION **Empire Ballroom**

9:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM **Crown**

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022

7:00 to 8:00 AM Past NCASWCD President’s Breakfast **Capital City**

7:45 to 9:00 AM AUXILIARY HOSPITALITY  **???**

7:30 to 5:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN **Empire Foyer**

7:00 to 2:00 PM EXPO OPEN **Imperial 1-3**

8:30 AM GENERAL SESSION **Imperial 4-7**

Blount Knowles, President, Presiding

Invocation: Tracy Warren, Assistant Chaplain

Milton Heath Lecture – Flood Recovery, Resilience and Preparedness

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

9:30 AM Comments from candidates for all positions

ELECTION – Coastal 2nd VP, Piedmont Commission Seat

10:00 – 10:30 AM BREAK

10:30AM GENERAL SESSION Resumes

Blount Knowles, President, Presiding

Streamflow Rehabilitation, Proving We Can Do This

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Length of Service

NCASWCD Outstanding Employees of the Year and District Awards

9:30 –Noon AUXILIARY INFORMATION SESSION **Auditorium**

and BUSINESS MEETING

NOON DEA LUNCHEON **Empire CDE**

Jason Byrd, DEA President, Presiding

Keynote Address: (TBD)

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1:30 PM NRCS STAFF MEETING **Auditorium**

1:30 PM NCASWCD BUSINESS MEETING **Imperial 4-7**

Chris Hughes, 1st Vice President, Presiding;

TBD, Parliamentarian

## REPORTS

NRCS Comments Tim Beard, State Conservationist

District Employee’s Association Report Jason Byrd, President Auxiliary Report Betty Mathews, President

Division Comments Vernon Cox, Director

Foundation Report Jimmy Gentry, President Amanda Sand, Exec. Dir.

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*

## ACTION ITEMS

Nominating Committee Report Chris Hogan, Committee

Chair

Other Actions Items (TBD)

Committee Reports Committee Chairs

6:30 PM BANQUET **Imperial Ballroom**

Blount Knowles, President, Presiding Invocation: Tracy Warren, Assistant Chaplain

OUTSTANDING N.C. CONSERVATION FARM FAMILY AWARDS

COASTAL REGION

S&S Farms

Pitt County

MOUNTAIN REGION

Wetmore Farms

Rowan County

President’s Award, Blount Knowles

NC Foundation Presentation Jimmy Gentry

Hall of Fame Presentation Franklin Williams, Chair

Outgoing President’s Remarks Blount Knowles, 2021

President Installation of 2022 NCASWCD President TBD

Handing Over the Gavel Blount Knowles, 2021 President

Incoming President’s Remarks Chris Hughes 2022 President

9:00 – 11:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM **Crown**

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022

9:00 AM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BREAKFAST MEETIN **Crystal Coast**

*1 Hour of Supervisor Training Credit*