

## **The Purposes of the National Agricultural Education Research Conference**

The purposes of the National Agricultural Education Research Meeting were stated by Al Mannebach of the University of Connecticut in his preface to the 1987 National Agricultural Education Research Meeting Proceedings. Those purposes have not been included in the proceedings for several years and they are worthy of being stated again. They included:

1. To present and disseminate the most recent and best research on the national level as judged by referees.
2. To present and disseminate critiques of the research by researchers in the profession.
3. To provide a forum for discussion of methodology and results.
4. To provide feedback to authors regarding research procedures and methodology used.
5. To provide suggestions to authors for preparing manuscripts for publication.
6. To give novice researchers an overview of current research issues, methodology, and critique within the profession.
7. To improve the quality of research conducted in future years.
8. To identify and recognize the Outstanding Paper Presentation at the National Agricultural Education Research Conference on an annual basis.
9. To provide a written record of quality research completed and professional critiques over time.
10. To broaden horizons and chart new directions for the conduct of agricultural education research in the future.