

Approved FFA Board Minutes-August 10th, 2012

The August 10, 2012 Pennsylvania FFA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Shawver at 6:30p.m. at the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Opening Ceremonies were conducted by the State Officer team. Those in attendance were Casey Shawver, Austin Albright, Shannon Copeland, Miranda Kane, Maris Wilson, Sean Jones, Renee Grove, John Hines, Ellen Aurand, Sherisa Nailor, Daniel Foster, Cliff Day, Deb Seibert, Ron Frederick, Joe Goodge, Mike Brammer, Gretchen Dingman, Mark Lowery, and Casey Hall.

President Shawver welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Introductions were conducted by all.

The **minutes from the previous meeting** were presented by Mike Brammer. *A motion made by Seibert/Aurand to accept the minutes as presented.* The motion passed.
Motion to concur by Kane/Wilson. Motion passed.

Financial reports were presented by Mike Brammer. Written reports were provided for the current year budget comparison, a listing of checks and deposits since the last board meeting, and a listing of CD's. With no objections the reports will be filed for audit.

The **State Officer Activity Report** was presented by Shannon Copeland. A written report was provided.

FFA Foundation written report was presented by Mark Lowery.

FFA Alumni update was presented by Sherisa Nailor. Nailor reported Caleb wright is going to be the new coordinator for Gold Toe Socs. October 6 will be the date for the Blue and Gold Ball and the Andy Rill Memorial golf outing. The jacket campaign will start in two weeks.

National Officer Candidate Update - Jenna Moser had sent a written report of her latest events on training and preparing for the National officer selection process, although she could not make the meeting.

PDA report was presented by Mike Brammer.

PSU report was presented by Dr. Foster.

PDE report was presented by Cliff Day. Written report was provided.

PAAE report -Deb Seibert a written report was provided.

Regional Coordinators

South Central Region – Kelly Bier was not in attendance.

Northern Region – Annette Gray was not in attendance.

Eastern Region – Ron Frederick reported on his activities in the Eastern Region. He also recommended we revisit the affiliation topic.

Western Region – Joe Goodge is now representing the Western region as a regional coordinator.

Activities Week – Cliff Day and Mike Brammer reported about the 2012 Activities week from finance and attendance comparison from previous years. The following CDE's have been changed Food Science, Dairy Cattle Management and Evaluation, Scrapbook, Horse Evaluation, Ag Sales, and Parliamentary procedure. *Motion made by Dingman/Seibert to accept all changes. Motion passed. Grove/Wilson moved to concur. Motion passed.*

There should be NO OTHER CDE CHANGES.

Convention Review/ Delegate Report was presented by Casey Hall and there was a written report provided.

Old Business

New Business

Affiliate Membership – *Motion made by Foster/Dingman to offer affiliate membership as an option to all chapters immediately. Motion failed. Motion made by Dingman/Seibert to appoint a committee to review and offer a recommendation at the March board meeting. Motion passed. Grove/Albright moved to concur. Motion passed. COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE: Aurand, Lowery and Wilson.*

Keystone Degree evaluation process will take place on November 17th at a place TBD. Regional coordinators and one additional teacher will be required to attend.

National Delegate Issues - Casey Shawver and Austin Albright reported to the board about the 6 National delegate issues that they decided on at the State Presidents Conference in Washington D.C. These delegate issues consist of creating an Ag Ed CDE, Aquaculture CDE, Agriculture Summit, Creation of a tractor Driving CDE, Discussion Meet, and to re-evaluate the proficiency areas. All State Officers will be assigned to a committee.

Policy Manual Revision – Total review of the policy manual continues with final changes being approved at the December meeting. Changes recommended by the committee today are as follows:

SMALL GAS ENGINES – ONLY four teams per region to the state event. *Motion passed. Albright/Grove moved to concur – Motion passed.*

AGRI-SCIENCE FAIR – Move to Farm Show in 2014. *Motion passed. Albright/Copeland moved to concur. Motion passed.*

CDE Policy – *Motion made that once a team or individual wins a CDE at the state level, and/or participates at the National Designated CDE, they are no longer eligible to compete at the state level. Motion passed. Wilson/Copeland moved to concur. Motion passed.*

7th and 8th Grade members eligibility – *Motion to form a committee to investigate the opportunities and provide a structure for involvement of 7th and 8th grade members in PA and report back in March 2013. Motion passed. Jones/Copeland moved to concur. Motion passed.*

APPOINT of committee: Carole Fay, Ayla Detwiler and Miranda Kane.

CDE CHAIRS – *Motion to have the PAAE CDE Coordination Committee Chairperson to provide a report recommending CDE chairpersons to the FFA Board on an annual basis. Motion passed. Albright/Wilson moved to concur, Motion passed.*

DRESS AT ACTIVITIES WEEK – *Motion to approve Official Dress only on Tuesday of Activities Week and define proper dress for all CDE's on Wednesday. Motion passed. Copeland/Kane moved to concur. Motion passed.*

Announcements

Next Board meeting will be December 14, 2012 at PSU.

Mr. Hines welcomed all of the PA FFA State Officers to the Board and wished them the best of luck during their year of service.

The meeting was adjourned with closing ceremonies at 9:45pm.