

**Michigan FFA Association**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting**  
**December 10, 2015**  
**4:00 PM State Officer – 338 Natural Resources**  
**5:00 to 6:00 PM Committee Meeting – 152 Natural Resources**  
**6:00 to 8:00 PM Board Meeting – 152 Natural Resources**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM on Thursday, December 10, 2015 by Connor Ewald, the State President. Members and guests were present: all members of the 2015-2016 Michigan FFA State Officer Team, Matt Jakubik, Dave Wyrick, Randy Showerman, Doug Pennington, Dustin Petty, Tate Forbush, Haley Schulz, Ken Deschepper, Ramey Lunceford, David Mellor, Lora Finch, Susann Young, Ethan Haywood, Sam Ellison, Michelle Sidel, Mark Daniels, Brandon Borke, Mike Wenkel, Torey Birchmeier, Megan Merrill, Alan Green, Eddie Moore, and Henry Reinart
- II. Opening Ceremonies – State Officers
- III. Secretary’s Report – Andrea Williams
- A. 18 members present. September minutes presented.
1. Amend to change of spelling Holly Tait’s name. Doug moved to accept. Second by Mike Wenkel. Motion Passed.
  2. Samantha Ludlam moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report – Daniel Flynn
- A. The Michigan FFA Association’s annual account as of November 30<sup>th</sup> equals \$97,459.63, and there is \$230,583.73 in the contingency fund. As well as \$40,000 in outstanding fines.
1. Tate Forbush moved to accept. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion passed.
  2. Taylor Williams moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.
- V. Michigan FFA Association-
- A. State Officer Report- Connor Ewald
1. Review of Chapter Blitz’s and National Convention.
  2. Upcoming Events: Consumer’s Energy Retreat, ILSSO, and State Convention.
- B. State Advisor Report – Randy Showerman
1. Michigan Ag programs will be funded from 9-12 graders next year, while removing the cap of number of students in a classroom.

2. Middle College Concept- High school students with a 13<sup>th</sup> year of high school can graduate with an associates degree and diploma. CTE will be included within the diploma and associates degree.
  3. There will be new program standards and new national standards. These will be housed on the FFA website. There will be 12 interactive sections; if they are less then par then there will be some resources for further coaching.
  4. School Openings:
    - a) Petoskey, Chesaning, and Genessee Skills Center.
- C. State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick
1. National convention:
    - a) Springport did extremely well.
  2. Fall PDI:
    - a) Was a success, teachers asked for more hands-on material in the future.
  3. Dean of College of Ag and Natural Resources:
    - a) Dean Poston will receive his Honorary National Degree.
  4. Star Interviews:
    - a) January 5<sup>th</sup> at Agro Liquid.
  5. Farm Bureau Discussion Meet:
    - a) First place-Loren King. Second Place- Kaitlyn Harper.
- VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Dustin Petty
- A. National Convention delegate was the Hopkins FFA Chapter.
  - B. Alumni Meeting:
    1. March 24<sup>th</sup> in Alcona.
- VII. Past State Officers – Henry Reinart
- A. T-shirt contest underway.
  - B. Annual Meeting:
    1. Before the Alumni meeting in Alcona.
- VIII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Ramey Lunceford
- A. Christmas letters and cards have been sent out.
  - B. State Convention:
    1. VIP Social.
  - C. The annual fund for the foundation equals \$100,600.
  - D. The foundation Endowment fund equals \$166,000.
  - E. Glassbrook Grants- \$30,000
- IX. Call To The Public
- A. Sam Ellison:
    1. Discussed how feedback should be given back at National Officer Candidate Interviews.

- X. Standing Committee's Report
  - A. Finance Committee (320 B Natural Resources) – Eddie Moore
    - 1. None
  - B. Awards and Activities Committee (320 A Natural Resources)- Lora Finch
    - 1. None
  - C. Career Development Event Committee (152 Natural Resources)- Torey Birchmeier
    - 1. Meat Rabbit CDE- Tony McCaul
    - 2. Committee did not see major issues. Munsells agreed to process 400-500 per day. Judges are lined up for minimal fees. This year will be a pilot year, limiting the number per chapter.
      - a) Matt Jakubik moved to accept the Rabbit CDE as is. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion passed.
      - b) Kelly Elsass moved to sustain. Second by Kyle Forbush. Motion sustained
  - D. State Officer Policy Committee (130 Natural Resources) – Doug Pennington
    - 1. None
  - E. Governing Committee (302 Natural Resources) – Tate Forbush
    - 1. None
- XI. Old Business
  - A. None
- XII. New Business
  - A. Job Interview References – Dave Wyrick
    - 1. Matt Jakubik moved to accept. Second by Lora Finch. Motion passed.
    - 2. Morgan Stewart moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.
  - B. Greenhand Conduct of Meetings – Pet Henne and Megan Merrill
    - 1. Matt Jakubik moved to refer to a CDE committee. Second by Eddie Moore. Motion passed.
    - 2. Lucas Wielfaert moved to sustain. Second by Morgan Stewart. Motion sustained.
  - C. Broiler Contest Winner – Dave Wyrick
  - D. Put in place a tiebreaker.
    - 1. Doug Pennington moved to accept. Second by Lora Finch. Motion passed.
    - 2. Tyra Jonas moved to sustain. Second by Samantha Ludlam. Motion sustained.
  - E. State Officer Eligibility- Dave Wyrick

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2. Morgan Stewart moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.

XIII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02PM.

- A. Doug Pennington moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Tate Forbush. Motion passed.

XIV. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be March 24, 2016 in Natural Resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Andrea Williams*

State Secretary