

**Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 14, 2017
5:00 PM Dinner Available- Room 152 Natural Resources
5:00 to 6:00 PM Committee Meeting
6:00 to 8:00 Board Meeting- 152 Natural Resources**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM on Thursday, December 14th 2017 by Adrian Schunk, the State President. Members and guests present: All of the 2017-2018 Michigan FFA State Officer Team, Mark Forbush, Dave Wyrick, Doug Pennington, Kevin Nugent, Michelle Sidel, Tate Forbush, Josephine Forbush, Henry Reinart, Bethanie Eggleston, Loren King, Matt Jakubik, Aaron McKim, Jennifer Smith, Cassy Puskala, Deb Schmucker and Charles Scovill.
- II. Opening Ceremonies – FFA State Officers
- III. Secretary Report – Sidney Linck
 1. Charles Scovill moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Kevin Nugent seconded.
 2. Hanna Dutcher moved to sustain the motion of the adult board. Marcum Terpening seconded. Motion Sustained.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report - Marcum Terpening

The FFA Association’s account balance as of November 30, 2017 is \$161,547.72. There are \$41,000 outstanding bills for Fall Conference.

The balance in our contingency fund as of November 30, 2017 is \$167,111.64.

 1. Hanna Dutcher moved to accept the treasurer’s report; Channon Turrell seconded.
 2. Matt Jakubik moved to sustain the motion of the student board. Doug Pennington Seconded. Motion sustained.
- V. Michigan FFA Association
 1. State Officer Report – Adrian Schunk
 - a. Chapter Visit wrap up
 2. State Advisor Report – Mark Forbush
 - a. Student Teaching
 - b. Audit Season for chapters
 - c. Hoping that the state will be able to fully fund the grant to the FFA this coming year
 3. State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick
 - a. 537 entries to the broiler contest
 - b. Contest materials have been put together
 - c. 200 student attended fall conference , up from last year
- VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Henry Reinart
 1. Award for the best Alumni chapter- National recognition
 2. Washington Leadership Conference Scholarships- Due February 15th
 3. Annual meeting- March 24th- Name change to “Alumni and Friends”
- VII. Past State Officers – Henry Reinart for Kate Thiel
 1. State Convention T-Shirt Contest- State Officers will pick winners
- VIII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Cassy Puskala

1. Glassbrook Grant Applications- \$32,000 was awarded
2. Ag Heritage license plates may be available for commercial passenger vehicles by the end of the year- this year's total was \$71,000
3. Gifts of Grain- Plan is to have information out before spring banquets
4. Started to plan the 2018 Business and Industry Tours- will be in southeast Michigan

IX. Ag Ed Club – Josephine Forbush

1. Attended National Convention
2. Attended Fall PDI to recruit ag education students
3. Hosted students from Purdue University

X. Call To The Public

1. Homeschool students in the FFA
 - a. Addie, Bob, and Sue Battel spoke about why homeschooled students who are not enrolled in an agriculture class at a public school should be allowed into the FFA.

XI. Standing Committee's Report

1. Vision and Special Topics Committee (**320B Nat Res**) –
Chairperson Tate Forbush
2. Awards and Activities Committee (**320A Nat Res**) –
Chairperson Katie Holt
3. Career Development Event Committee (**152 Nat Res**) –
Chairperson Charles Scovill
4. State Officer Policy Committee (**130 Nat Res**) –
Chairperson Doug Pennington
5. Governing Committee (**147B Nat Res**) –
Chairperson Mark Daniels

XII. Old Business

XIII. New Business

Informational Item – State Officer Application update – State Officer
Policy Committee- Doug Pennington

Proposals

1. To Expand Membership to Homeschool students- Governance Committee
 - a. Sidney Linck moved to put this on the floor; Jake Bushey seconded.
 - b. Aaron McKim has moved to discuss this at the March meeting; Doug Pennington seconded.
 - c. Kelsie Letts Moved to sustain the vote of the adult board; Haley Talaski seconded. Motion sustained.
2. Policy Manual Update to Governance Committee
Tate Forbush moved to remove the department of CARRS chair from the policy manual. Doug Pennington seconded.
Collin Randall moved to sustain the vote of the adult board; Marcum Terpening seconded. Motion sustained.
3. General Rules Leadership Contest Proposals:
 - a. Proposal 1 – Communication in contest rooms – Vision and Special Topics Committee
 - b. Tate Forbush moved to clarify wording; Kevin Nugent seconded.

- c. Kelsie Letts moved to sustain the vote of the adult board; Micah Cuevas seconded. Motion sustained.
 - “Any inappropriate communication”
 - “the member and entire team of a team event”
- d. Proposal 2 – Members watching contests after competition - Career Development Events
 - Charles Scovill moved to clarify the wording of the proposal; “students who have competed in team contests can send no more than 1 person back into the contest room to watch teams remaining to compete”. Matt Jakubik seconded.
 - Marcum moved to sustain the vote of the adult board; Channon Turrell seconded. Motion sustained.
- e. Proposal 3 – Members to see contest room prior to contests beginning – Career Development Events Committee
 - Charles Scovill moved to clarify “teams or individuals have the right to view the contest room set up prior to the start of the contest”. Matt Jakubik seconded.
 - Jake Bushey moved to sustain the vote of the adult board; Kelsie Letts seconded. Motion sustained.

2018-19 - FYI - Contests slated to be reviewed

- Ag Communications, Junior High Quiz Bowl, Ag Issues, Public Speaking, Livestock Judging, Broiler Contest, Extemp. Speaking

2. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

2017-18 Meeting Dates

March 22, 2018

May 3, 2018