

Michigan FFA Board of Directors

March 17, 2005

I. Call to Order

State President called the fifth meeting of the Michigan FFA Board of Directors to order at 9:10 A.M. in the Kellogg Center on the Campus of the Michigan State University on March 17, 2005.

Members of the student board in attendance included Ryan Kramer, Matt Jakubik, Nathan Baker, Aaron Preston, Jeff Peterson, Jake Riske, Melissa Smith, and Dustin Petty. Members of the adult board in attendance included Randy Showerman, Megan Burgess, Steve Beattie, Jason Griffith, Ren'ee Bryant, Mark Forbush, and Eddie Moore. Consultants to the board in attendance included Floyd Beneker, Kate Powers, Beth Stuever, Tom Smith, Charles Scovill, and Bart Marshall. Also in attendance were Scott Witter, Scott Smalley, Doug Pennington, Corey Flournoy, and Brian Posthumus.

II. Opening Ceremonies

Jeff Peterson made a motion to suspend the rule by dispensing of ceremonies Dustin Petty seconded. The motion passed.

III. Secretary's Report

Melissa Smith read the Secretary's report. A motion to accept the report was made by Jeff Peterson and seconded by Dustin Petty. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Mark Forbush and was seconded. The motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Aaron Preston gave the Treasurer's report. A motion to accept the report was made by Dustin Petty, and seconded by Jeff Peterson.

A motion to sustain was made by Jason Griffith and was seconded. The motion carried.

V. Michigan FFA Association

A. State Officer Report

State President Ryan Kramer gave the state officer report. He thanked everyone that helped in preparation for state convention and stated that the state officers were busy getting ready for CDE's and banquets.

B. State Consultants Report

No report was given.

C. State Advisor Report

Dr. Randy Showerman gave the state advisor's report. He discussed state convention at the Wharton Center and the upcoming move to the Auditorium. He went over the Perkins funds and the shortage of funds for the 2006 – 2007 state

officer team and year. He also gave a update of the schools that are paid up before state convention.

VI. Michigan FFA Alumni

A. President's Report

Floyd Beneker Gave the Alumni report. The alumni participation is up fifty percent. \$3,000 in scholarships were given out, and the alumni sponsored the dance at state convention. The next meeting is on April 16th and they will be planning next year's activities.

VII. Michigan FFA Foundation

A. Director's Report

Kate Powers gave the Foundation Report. The foundation is working on expanding the Chevy truck program. Aaron Preston was hired as the summer intern. He will be working to plan summer activities for the foundation.

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B. Projects Consultant Posting

Projects consultant applications are due on April 15. The will be the first week of May and the projected starting date is June 15th.

The governance committee is working on an evaluation process for the projects consultant position.

IX. Standing Committee's Report

A. Finance Committee

The finance committee report was given by Mark Forbush. The FFA Association will keep it's 501 C3 non-profit status. He discussed to use and abilities of the account.

B. Audit Committee

No Report.

C. Awards and Activities Committee

Beth Stuever gave the Awards and Activities committee report. The stars selection process has had a few changes including removing the names from the applications and changing the visit requirements.

A motion to accept the proposed changes was made by Matt Jakubik and seconded by Dustin Petty. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Doug Pennington and seconded by Eddie Moore.

A motion to refer discussion of the awards applications to the Awards and Activities committee was made by Aaron Preston and seconded by Jeff Peterson. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Charles Scovill and seconded by Mark Forbush. The motion passed.

D. Career Development Committee

No Report

E. State Officer Development

No Report

IX. Old Business

A. CDE Committee Assignments

A sign up sheet was passed around for the CDE evaluation process.

C. Governance Committee Industry Member Appointment

Beth Stuever was added to the Governance committee.

D. Review Standing Committee Assignment

The standing committee's will be reviewed and evaluated.

X. New Business

A. FFA Funding

The sources of funding for the FFA are being reviewed.

B. 2005-2006 State Association Calendar – Date Changes

A motion to accept the 2005-2006 State Association Calendar was made by Aaron Preston and seconded by Dustin Petty. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Eddie Moore and seconded by Bart Marshal. The motion passed.

C. Cost Recovery

A motion to refer cost recovery and all financial issues to the finance committee was made by Dustin Petty and seconded by Jeff Peterson. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Doug Pennington and seconded by Charles Scovill. The motion passed.

D. Convention Stipends/Awards, Wharton Center Costs

The costs of state convention were presented to the board.

E. Skills Contest – Increase Registration, Chair and Tractor Driving Contest

The board reviewed the process of preparing for the skills contest. There was concern about contests they do not have a chairperson. A motion to suspend a contest without a chairperson for one year was made by Aaron Preston and seconded by Jeff Peterson. The motion passed.

A motion to sustain was made by Charles Scovill and seconded by Megan Burgess. The motion carried.

F. Awards Recipients/New State Officer Team

The awards recipients and new state officer team were announced to the board.

G. Proposals – State Officer Selection, National Chapter Award Scoring

Corey Flournoy gave a presentation to the board on the process used for the state officer interviewing, slating and nominating process this past January. He made several suggestions to the board concerning future state officer teams.

Dustin Petty made a motion to refer the State Officer Proposal to the State Officer Development Committee, including two members of the 2005-2006 State Officer Team on the special committee. The committee is to report back at the June meeting with any progress and must make a referral to the Board of Directors at the scheduled December meeting. Jeff Peterson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Beth Stuever moved to sustain, Megan Burgess seconded. The motion passed.

Randy Showerman suggested forming a committee on leadership for the state of Michigan. Dustin Petty made the motion and Jeff Peterson seconded it. The motion passed. Tom Smith moved to sustain and Beth Steuver seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The proposal concerning the National Chapter Award was discussed. Scott Smalley informed the board that score sheets are to be sent back to the chapters and that applications cannot be put online without the pictures being removed, due to a legality issue concerning minors.

Jeff Peterson requested that both of the proposals regarding leadership contests be referred to the CDE Committee and that they report back with their findings at the June meeting.

The meeting adjourns at 2:13 PM.