

Michigan FFA Board of Directors
March 26, 2009
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- I. Call to Order-6:08 pm Dustin Baker, State President
 - a. There were members 31 members and guests present:
 - i. State Officer Team, Dr. Eddie Moore, Michelle Sidel, Kevin Nugent, Megan Hirschman, Alexandria Henry, Charles Scovill, Doug Pennington, Bart Marshall, Steve Beattie, Dave Wyrick, Dr. Randy Showerman, Matt Jakubik, Megan Merrill, John Schut, Bill Earl, Carrie Preston, Donna Hines, Dave Armbruster, Beth Stuever, Cathy LaLonde, Jason Gehrke.
 - b. Those Missing:
 - i. Lori Chamberlin, Charles Snyder, Tammy Hyatt , Brian Kiesling, Bailey Garwood, Deborah Bonner, Julia Voelker, Liz Krhovsky

- II. Opening Ceremonies-FFA State Officers

- III. Secretary Report-Jillian Holdwick
 - a. Aaron Balowski moved to accept the secretary's report. Second. Motion carried.
 - b. Doug Pennington moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- IV. Treasurer's Report-Ryan R. Green
 - a. FFA Association- \$128,202.42
 - b. All convention bills are outstanding as of today.
 - c. The \$80,000 from Dean Armstrong was received in October 2008.
 - i. Marie Hruby moved to accept the treasurer's report. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Charles Scovill moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- V. Michigan FFA Association
 - a. State Officer Report-Dustin Baker
 - i. December: State officers attended the State Officer Retreat with Ryan Peterson and Gabe Holdwick in Trafalgar, Indiana.
 - ii. District and Regional Contest
 - iii. State Convention March 11-13
 - iv. Service Project-HEIFER international
 1. \$1,400+ was raised
 2. Skills Contest
 - a. April 17 and 18th
 3. Banquets
 4. Lugnuts Baseball game

 - b. State Advisor Report-Randy Showerman
 - i. No room block at National Convention
 - ii. Outstanding Invoices
 - iii. If turf contest is not accepted this year, it will be taken off the books.

- iv. If a student is in an agri-science class, they are allowed to skip one year, but they must have an SAE during the duration of that time.
 - c. State Executive Secretary Report-Dave Wyrick
 - i. Be sure your students' dues are paid before they are participating in contests.
 - ii. Michigan will be hosting NLC SO this year
 - 1. Arkansas, Wisconsin, Tennessee and Kentucky coming.
 - 2. Grand Rapids
 - a. Intending on having a BBQ at the beach hosted by a local FFA chapter.
- VI. Michigan FFA Alumni-Dave Armbruster
 - a. Alumni hosted the State Convention dance on Wednesday night.
 - b. Handed out WLC Scholarships at Convention
 - c. Annual Meeting was held at Caledonia High School
 - d. Website has been updated with new members
 - e. Scholarships are due April 1st
 - i. Attending MSU with an Agricultural major
 - ii. Only for freshman
- VII. Michigan FFA Foundation-Megan Hirschman
 - a. 200 in attendance at Annual VIP Dinner
 - i. Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land in attendance, promoting the Ag Heritage license plates
 - b. FFA Race Day
 - i. August 15, 2009
 - ii. Goal is to triple revenue for the event this year
 - c. Endowment Fundraising
 - i. \$200,000 in cash from Endowments
 - ii. \$1 million in planned gifts
 - iii. As of February 5th, reached 94% of fundraising goals for the year
 - iv. Individual Commitments account for over 100% of fundraising goals.
- VIII. Collegiate FFA Report-Alexandria Henry-Club President
 - a. State Convention Career Show
 - i. Plan on doing again next year
 - ii. 13 tables were filled
 - iii. Officer to serve on BOD will be elected in the spring and start serving in August.
- IX. Standing Committee's Report
 - a. Finance Committee-Ryan Green
 - i. Nothing to report.
 - b. Awards and Activities Committee-Beth Stuever

- i. Statewide/Regional Service Project (recommendation needed by Summer 09)
 - 1. Megan Merrill moved to accept the proposal. Second. Motion failed.
 - 2. Ryan Green moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - a. Committee recommended failing this motion and keeping the BOMC program as it currently is.
 - 3. Move State Convention to the Auditorium
 - 4. Andrea Bommarito moved that the Michigan FFA Convention remain at the MSU Auditorium in 2010 with the following consideration:
 - a. That the State FFA office works with the ANR Week coordinator and DPPS to ensure that the Bessey Hall Parking Ramp is available to attendees.
 - b. That the FFA office supplies parking recommendations and maps via their web site for parents and guests.
 - c. That all contests are moved to be within walking distance of the Auditorium.
 - d. That the delegate voting session is moved closer to the Auditorium.
 - e. That more consideration is given to where the media room is in relation to the photo room and the convention management office.
 - f. Ryan Green moved the previous question. Second. Motion carried 12-0.
 - g. Steve Beattie moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - 5. Feedback was compiled from all who attended 2009 State Convention

- c. Career Development Event Committee-Charles Scovill
 - i. Missing a member on the CDE Committee-Collegiate FFA Representative will be filling the position.
 - ii. Create a Food Technology CDE
 - 1. Will remain tabled until information is brought to committee.
 - iii. Broiler Project 2009
 - 1. Addition of letter “k” to Broiler Project rules.
 - 2. Addition of marketing plan- make sure rubric accompanies this.
 - a. How much longer will you keep them?
 - b. Where will they be processed?
 - c. Who will you sell them to?
 - 3. Charles Scovill moved to accept changes to the Broiler Contest suggested by Dr. Darren Karcher. Second. Motion carried.
 - 4. Maria James moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- d. State Officer Policy Committee-Kevin Nugent
 - i. No Report.

- e. Governing Committee-Steve Beattie
 - i. Regional and District Size
 - a. John Schut requested leadership contest participants and State Officer Candidate list be compiled to see district participation.
 - 2. Steve Beattie moved to adopt Option 3, with the change that Chesaning remain in Region III. Second.
 - a. John Schut moved to refer this motion to the Governance Committee. Second. Motion Carried.
 - b. Clint Steketee moved to sustain. Second. Motion Carried.
- X. Old Business
- a. Committee Reports-See above.
- XI. New Business
- a. Proficiency Award Presentation-John Schut
 - i. John Schut proposed to have a proficiency reception at State Convention replacing the Proficiency program during session.
 - 1. Kevin Nugent moved to send the motion of having a proficiency banquet to Awards and Activity Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Kaite Hard moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - b. Leadership Contest-John Schut
 - i. Proposed giving the regions the option to combine Districts and Regionals on the same day if they so choose, in lieu of bad weather.
 - 1. Matt Jakubik moved to refer the motion to the CDE Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Chris Sanford moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - c. Gold/Silver/Bronze Ranking State Leadership Contest-Melanie Block
 - i. Any team that does not move onto semi-finals will receive a bronze award. Only teams who compete on Thursday will be able to receive Silver and Gold awards.
 - 1. Beth Stuever to accept the proposal as written. Second.
 - a. Eddie Moore moved to refer this motion to the CDE Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - b. Marie Hruby moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - d. Career Development Events Individual Awards-Alexandria Henry
 - i. Proposed to rank top 10 individuals/teams on website.
 - 1. Matt Jakubik moved to refer proposal to CDE Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Aaron Balowski moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- e. Agricultural Issues Contest-Gerald Reaume
 - i. Doug Pennington moved to refer this motion to Governance Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Katie Hard moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- f. Greenhouse Proficiency-Randy Showerman
 - i. Separate from Landscape Management CDE
 - 1. Eddie Moore moved to refer Greenhouse Proficiency to Awards and Activity Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Clint Steketee moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- g. State Officer Candidates-Randy Showerman
 - i. Kevin Nugent moved to accept the proposal as written to allow chapters with 75 or more high school members be able to send 3 State officer candidates to regional interviews, but only allow two to move on to State Interviews. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Maria James moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- h. ACT, MME, and State Convention Date-Randy Showerman and Dave Wyrick
 - i. Beth Stuever moved to refer this proposal to Governance Committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Andrea Bommarito moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- i. BACC Evening Class-Carrie Preston and Bill Earl
 - i. Doug Pennington moved to refer to Governance Committee with provision that BACC has one more year under the program as it currently exists. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Kaite Hard moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.

- XII. Ryan moved to have next meeting on May 14 from 4-7:00 pm. Second. Motion carried.
 - a. Motion died from lack of support.

- XIII. Adjourn
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

- XIV. Next Meeting: May 14 at 5:00 pm