Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors
Meeting
March 25, 2010
5:00 to 6:00 PM Committee Meeting
6:00 to 8:00 PM Board Meeting
338 Natural Resources
MSU

I. Call to Order – Tiffany Rogers, State President 6:13 pm
1. There were 27 members and guests present: 2009-2010 MI FFA State Officers, Dr. Randy Showerman, David Wyrick, Doug Pennington, Megan Merrill, Steave Beattie, Kevin Nugent, Matt Jakubik, Cathy LaLonde, Dr. Eddie Moore, Carolyn Bloodworth, Beth Stuever, Charles Scovill, Dave Armbruster, Royce Humm, Michelle Sidel
2. Those missing: Tammy Hyatt, Brian Kiesling, Tom Smith, Charles Snyder, Dustin Baker, Megan Hirshman

II. Opening Ceremonies – FFA State Officers

III. Secretary Report – Brittany Parkhurst
   a. 27 members and guests present
      - Charles Scovill moved to accept. Second.
      - Motion passed.
      - Bonthuis moved to sustain. Second.
      - Motion sustained.

IV. Treasurer’s Report – Haley Schulz
   a. $105,902.83
   b. No outstanding bills
   c. Contingency Fund $121,854.00
      - Meghan Bonthuis moved to accept. Second.
      - Motion passed.
      - Matt Jakubik moved to sustain. Second.
      - Motion sustained.

V. Michigan FFA Association
(http://www.michiganffa.com/association/)
1. State Officer Report – Tiffany Rogers
   a. Business and Industry visits
   b. Barn restoration project (2 in Michigan) coming in June
   c. Chapter visits, Banquets, and Regional camps please send in request forms
   d. Small animals day, “going green” recycled paper project
e. Harvest for America: 2nd place overall in the Nation with 67,000 pounds of food raised.

2. State Advisor Report – Randy Showerman
   a. Kellogg company looking into developing food science CDE as well as a classroom curriculum
   b. Dr. Dwight Armstrong attendance at State Convention, as well as Thumb Works
   c. New agriculture education program in Cass City, job posted
   d. Terms ending, turn over this coming year

3. State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick
   a. Changes being made to reduce the length of sessions
      - Videos, introductions, retiring address all to have limits
      - E-mail ideas to Mr. Wyrick

VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Dave Armbruster and Royce Humm
(http://www.michiganffa.com/alumni/)
   a. Annual alumni meeting in Standish
      - $2500 raised from live and silent auctions
   b. Barn restoration project Nat’l Alumni with Campbell’s soup
   c. Hosted convention dance
   d. WLC Scholarships awarded at State Convention
   e. MSU Ag. Major Scholarship (freshman only) due April 15, 2010

VII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Megan Hirschman
(http://www.michiganffa.com/foundation/)

VIII. Collegiate FFA – Ryan Green
   a. Career show huge success, 9 total vendors
   b. Awaiting new activities

IX. Standing Committee’s Report
1. Finance Committee (320A Nat Res) – Tom Smith
   a. No report

2. Awards and Activities Committee (320B Nat Res) – Beth Stuever
   a. Breaking Barriers CHALLENGE
      - Kelli Fulkerson moved to accept the Breaking Barriers Challenge with details finalized by the 2011 school year and
projects completed for awards to be presented at the March 2011 State Convention. Second.
- Motion passed.
- Charles Scovill moved to sustain. Second.
- Motion sustained.

3. Career Development Event Committee (338 Nat Res) – Charles Scovill
   a. Timeline and Process for CDE Review
      - Charles Scovill moved to approve the CDE proposal. Second.
      - Motion to amend the proposal by adding the words “A note will be sent out to the list-serve informing the teachers which contestants will be reviewed. This will be done in May of each year” at the end of the bullet point 1. (See attached)
      - Motion passed.
      - Brent Osantoski moved to sustain. Second.
      - Motion sustained.

4. State Officer Policy Committee (130 Nat Res) – Kevin Nugent
   a. No report

5. Governing Committee (302 Nat Res) – Steve Beattie
   a. No report

X. Old Business
1. See Committee Reports

XI. New Business
1. District and Regional Dates – Burt Henry
   a. Steve Beattie moved to adopt the proposal
      Motion failed.
   b. Kelli Fulkerson moved to sustain. Second.
      Motion sustained.

2. Proficiency State Winners – Carrie Preston
   a. Beth Stuever moved to accept proposal as written. Second.
   b. Motion failed.
   c. Meghan Bonthuis moved to sustain. Second.
   d. Motion sustained.

3. State National Chapter Presentation – Megan Merrill
   a. Meghan Bonthuis moved to accept proposal as written. Second.
   b. Motion passed.
c. Beth Stuever moved to sustain. Second.
d. Motion sustained.

4. State Convention Schedule – Burt Henry  
a. Matt Jakubik moved to refer proposal to the  
governance committee. Second.
b. Motion passed.
c. Haley Shulz moved to sustain. Second.
d. Motion sustained.

5. Chapter Affiliation Fee Program – Randy Showerman and Dave Wyrick  
a. Charles Scovill moved to refer proposal to the  
governance committee. Second.
b. Motion passed.
c. Haley Shulz moved to sustain. Second.
d. Motion sustained.

6. Food Products as Props – Randy Showerman and Dave Wyrick  
a. Megan Merrill moved to accept proposal. Second.
b. Megan Merrill moved to amend the motion to state:  
“in effect April 1st, 2010”
c. Kelli Fulkerson moved to sustain. Second.
d. Motion sustained.

7. Proficiency Applications – Katie Wagar  
a. Charles Scovill moved to accept the proposal.  
Second.
b. Motion passed.
c. Meghan Bonthuis moved to sustain. Second.
d. Motion sustained.

8. Adjourn. 7:31 pm

2009 – 10 Meeting Dates
May 13, 2010 5:00 to 8:00 pm
CDE Review Process Proposal

Career Development Events (CDE’s) are a vital part of the FFA experience for all students enrolled in agricultural education. They provide opportunities for students to improve on the skills learned in the classroom and apply them to real life exercises in both a competitive and team building experience. Because of the natural relationship between our ever changing career/industry demands and these contest areas, it is imperative that these contest areas undergo regular updates. Therefore, it is recommended that all structural components of the leadership and skills CDE’s should be evaluated and reviewed to the following schedule with year #1 to be 2011:

Year 1 - Crops, Forestry, Environmental Skills, Veterinary Science and Job Interview

Year 2 – Nursery/Landscape, Land Conservation, Ag. Sales, Greenhouse Management, Extemporaneous Speaking and Demonstration

Year 3 - Poultry, Livestock, Meats, Parliamentary Procedure, Ag. Issues, Greenhand Conduct of Meetings, Junior High Conduct of Meetings

Year 4 - Horse Judging, Dairy Judging, Dairy Showmanship, Farm Business Management, Ag. Communications, Junior High Public Speaking, Greenhand Public Speaking and Prepared Public Speaking

Year 5 - Dairy Foods, Floriculture, Marketing, Ag. Mechanics, Creed Speaking, and Broiler Contests

Note: Any newly approved CDE’s would then systematically fit into this schedule, being reviewed 5 years after its first contest date.

The following timeline is recommended for the evaluation of CDE’s:

1. Contests are to be reviewed, and changes suggested, by a committee of stakeholders including: state staff, agriscience teachers, and university and/or industry representatives as needed. The schedule above should act as a general guide for this review process to ensure that all contests remain germane to the agricultural and natural resources industry. Committee make-up is to be organized by the State FFA Office. A note will be sent out to the list-serve informing the teachers which contests will be reviewed. This will be done in May of each year.

2. Upon recommended changes being presented to the FFA Board of Directors, through the CDE committee, the suggested changes will then be distributed via the listserv to all agriscience teachers for review.

3. At the following quarter’s FFA Board of Directors meeting, a vote on the suggested changes will be made by the board.

4. In-service training to all agriscience teachers on contest changes is highly recommended at the next teacher training event.

Note: No further reviews will be allowed to a contest after receiving board approval for a minimum of 4 years. Special circumstances may require revisions prior to this 4 year minimum at the discretion of the governance committee.