Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors
Meeting
March 24, 2016
4:00 PM State Officer – 019 Natural Resources
5:00 to 6:00 PM Committee Meeting – Please See Below
6:00 to 8:00 PM Board Meeting – 019 Natural Resources

I. The meeting was called to order at 5:49PM on Thursday, March 24, 2016 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, Tate Forbush, Haley Schulz, Ramey Lunceford, David Mellor, Susann Young, Ethan Haywood, Michelle Sidel, Mark Daniels, Mike Wenkel, Torey Birchmeier, Katie Holt and Henry Reinart

II. Opening Ceremonies – State Officers

III. Secretary's Report – Andrea Williams

A. 35 members present. December’s minutes presented.
   1. Holly Tait moved to accept. Second by Daniel Flynn. Motion Passed.
   2. Doug Pennington moved to sustain. Second by Matt Jakubik. Motion sustained.

IV. Treasurer’s Report – Daniel Flynn
A. The Michigan FFA Association’s annual account as of February 29th equals $55,858.22, and there is $231,665.60 in the contingency fund. As well as $50,000 in outstanding fines.
   1. Holly Tait moved to accept. Second by Morgan Stewart. Motion passed.
   2. Torey Birchmeier moved to sustain. Second by Dave Mellor. Motion sustained.

V. Michigan FFA Association-
A. State Officer Report- Connor Ewald
   1. Record turnout of 1,900 at the 2016 State Convention.
   2. The next few months as officers will be filled with camps, banquets, and skills contest.

B. State Advisor Report – Randy Showerman
   1. State Convention had a record turnout.
   2. Two programs deserving recognition are Olivet and Saline.
   3. There is pressure on Career Tech Ed for academic credits. Michigan will be the only program area with 100% census; the results will then be shared with Michigan Department of Education and Michigan Farm Bureau.
C. State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick
   1. The election process put in place was used in this year's election of the 2016-2017 State Officer Team.
   2. An email with a list of convention staff for the 2016 State Convention will be sent out.
      a) Please thank State Convention staff for their hard work and dedication.
   3. Student Membership
      a) Students are not known as members unless they are on the roster.
   4. Ag-Skills contests are quickly approaching.
   5. 2015-2016 Region II State Vice President, Kelly Elsass underwent heart surgery and is recovering well.

VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Henry Reinart
   A. The Annual Meeting was held in Alcona, March 19th. Approximately 60-70 people in attendance.
      1. There was a total of approximately 2,200 dollars raised from the silent and live auctions.
   B. Dustin Petty will no longer be serving as the Michigan FFA Alumni president. Henry Reinart will take over this position.
   C. There has been talk with chapters looking to open an Alumni Group.
   D. Re-chartering an alumni affiliate maybe more difficult than usual.

VII. Past State Officers – Henry Reinart
   A. There was a great turnout at the State Convention Career Fair.
      1. There will be changes going into the future.
   B. There will be changes made to the mentorship program. Applications will be sent out soon.
      1. Kate Krepps will now serve as president of the Past State Officer committee.

VIII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Ramey Lunceford
   A. Ending the 3rd quarter with approximately 300,000 in the account going into the 4th quarter.
   B. There were more sponsors, donors, and potential donors than we have ever had at State Convention.
   C. Syngenta was recognized as a distinguished sponsor
   D. The VIP social was a success with a great turnout. There were new sponsors in attendance.
   E. There is approximately 3.5 million in the account and is growing.
   F. Number totals for other accounts were not presented.

IX. Call To The Public
   A. Mike Wenkel
1. As the members of the board of directors for the Michigan FFA Association, we need to be thinking futuristic and being proactive in order to move the Michigan FFA forward and continue to progress our membership. As a board we should spend our time in a reactionary mode.

X. Standing Committee's Report
A. Finance Committee (320 B Natural Resources) – Eddie Moore (not present)
   1. None

B. Career Development Event Committee (152 Natural Resources) - Charles Scovill
   1. Old business on Greenhand Conduct proposal, the committee was not in favor of the recommendation.
      a) Matt Jakubik moved to accept the greenhand proposal as presented. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion fails.
      b) Holly Tait moved to sustain. Second by Morgan Stewart. Motion sustained

C. Awards and Activities Committee (320 A Natural Resources) - Katie Holt
   1. National Chapter award, the committee expressed they needed clarification but was for the proposal.
   2. Outstanding Junior, the committee was not in favor of the proposal.
   3. Academic Excellence, the committee was not in favor of the proposal.

D. State Officer Policy Committee (130 Natural Resources) – Doug Pennington
   1. None

E. Governing Committee (302 Natural Resources) – Tate Forbush
   1. National Officer Feedback proposal.

XI. Old Business
A. Please See Committees

XII. New Business
A. Ag Issues Proposal – Dave Wyrick
   1. David Mellor moved to accept. Second by Doug Pennington. Motion passed.
   2. Holly Tait moved to sustain. Second by Samantha Ludlam. Motion sustained.
   3. Move to add the language that there be a maximum of 6 people for set up by Matt Jakubik. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion passed.
4. Daniel Flynn moved to sustain. Seconded by Holly Tait. Motion sustained.

B. Broiler Chicken Proposal- Dave Wyrick
   1. Holly Tait moved to accept. Second by Samantha Ludlam. Motion passed.
   2. Doug Pennington moved to sustain. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion sustained.

C. National Chapter Proposal- Dave Wyrick
   1. David Mellor moved to accept. Second by Doug Pennington. Motion passed.
   2. Daniel Flynn moved to sustain. Second by Morgan Stewart. Motion sustained.

D. Outstanding Junior Proposal- Kevin Nugent
   1. Katie Holt moved to accept. Second by David Mellor. Motion failed.

E. Academic Proposal- Kevin Nugent
   1. Katie Holt moved to accept. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion failed.
   2. Daniel Flynn moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.

F. Nursery Landscape Proposal- David Mellor
   1. Matt Jakubik moved to accept. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion passed.
   2. Holly Tait moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.

G. State Officer Application Proposal- Matt Jakubik
   1. Holly Tait moved to accept with option A. Second by Morgan Stewart. Motion fails.
   2. Haley Schulz moved to sustain. Second by Mike Wenkel. Motion fails.

H. Retiring Officer Introductions Proposal- Rebel Smith
   1. Holly Tait moved to accept. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion fails.
   2. Matt Jakubik moved to sustain. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion fails.

I. AFNRE CDE Proposal- Mike Everett
   1. Matt Jakubik moved to accept. Second by Doug Pennington. Motion passed.
   2. Holly Tait moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.

J. National Officer Feedback- Samantha Ellison and Alexandria Schut
   1. Tate Forbush moved to accept. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion Fails.
K. Cheering- Rebel Smith
   1. Matt Jakubik moved to accept. Second by Haley Schulz. Motion passed.
   2. Holly Tait moved to sustain. Second by Tyra Jonas. Motion sustained.

XIII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21PM.
   A. Tyra Jonas moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Holly Tait.
      Motion passed.

XIV. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be May 5, 2016 in Natural Resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Williams

State Secretary