

Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors
May 14, 2009
338 Natural Resources

- 1) Call to Order-6:01 pm, Dustin Baker, State President
 - a. There were 32 members and guests present: 2008-2009 State Officer Team, Michelle Sidel, Dr. Showerman, Alex Henry, Mr. Wyrick, Scovill, Doug Pennington, Jeff Schmidt, Brittany Parkhurst, Tiffany Rogers, Megan Bonthuis, Brian Kiesling, Kevin Nugent, Megan Hirschman, Matt Jakubik, Megan Merrill, Cathy LaLonde, Beth Stuever, Dr. Eddie Moore, Steve Beattie, Burt Henry, Mike Everett, Steve Beattie
 - b. Those Missing:
 - i. Charles Snyder, Tammy Hyatt, Bart Marshall, Tom Smith
- 2) Opening Ceremonies- FFA State Officers
- 3) Secretary Report-Jillian Holdwick, State Secretary
 - a. Andrea Bommarito moved to accept the secretary's report. Second. Motion carried
 - b. Doug Pennington moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
- 4) Treasurer's Report- Ryan R. Green, State Treasurer
 - a. FFA Association-\$96,776.57
 - b. All State Convention banquets and meals are still outstanding as well as Ag Skills costs.
 - i. Kaite Hard moved to accept the treasurer's report. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Megan Merrill moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
- 5) Michigan FFA Association
 - a. State Officer Report-Dustin Baker, State President
 - i. Ag Skills
 1. Flowers from floriculture CDE were taken to Sparrow Hospital by the State officers.
 - ii. Banquet season in full swing
 - iii. Team meeting in Grand Rapids on Monday, May 18. Attending a Whitecaps game
 - b. State Advisory Report-Randy Showerman
 - i. Outstanding Invoices
 1. \$13,119.00 in outstanding invoices for chapter
 2. \$1,160.00 in outstanding invoices for PDI
 - a. Megan Merrill suggested mailing/emailing the outstanding invoices monthly to advisors.
 - b. Brain Keisling suggested increasing the late fee or not letting them compete until the invoice is paid.
 - i. Charles Scovill moved that schools having any outstanding invoices older than 6 months are not allowed to participate in any FFA activity or awards. Second. Motion Carried
 1. Dr. Eddie Moore moved to table the motion until the next board meeting. Second. Motion Failed.
 - a. Division was called. Motion failed 4-6.
 - ii. Aaron Balowski moved to sustain adult board. Second.
 1. Katie Hard moved to table the motion. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Dr. Eddie Moore moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Communications with FFA Advisors
 1. Adults and State Officers need to remind advisors about the tabled motion, and the re-regioning issue.
 - iii. 2010 State Convention-Auditorium
 1. Auditorium is \$2,000 cheaper than the Wharton c\Center
 - iv. Turf Contest will be off the books this year
 - v. Honorary American Degree requirements need to be re-considered
 - vi. Grant from Michigan Department of Education-10% cut (\$7,500)
 - vii. 5 Board terms expiring this year. Notify Dr. Showerman if you wish to keep your board position, by July 1.

- 1. Email possibly candidates to Dr. Showerman
 - c. State Executive Secretary Report-Dave Wyrick
 - i. Alex Henry is the MI National Officer candidate for the 2009 Nation Convention
- 6) Michigan FFA Alumni-Dave Armbruster
 - a. First meeting of the year was in April.
 - b. Scholarship applications reviewed for incoming MSU freshmen
 - i. 6 applicants-all received a scholarship
 - c. State Leaders Conference being held in Colorado this year
- 7) Michigan FFA Foundation-Megan Hirschman
 - a. Fundraisers continuing to do well.
 - b. The FFA Golf Outing is on August 13-Encourage people in your area to participate!
 - i. Megan has sponsorship information; if you're interested contact her.
 - c. FFA Race day is August 15
 - d. Ag Expo in July
 - i. FFA will not be in charge of the toy tent this year
 - e. Remember the Ag Heritage license plate!
 - i. Increased money amount received from the plate is only for new plates, not renewed plates
- 8) Collegiate FFA-Alexandria Henry
 - a. University-wise Parliamentary Procedure workshop
 - i. 4 groups attended
 - b. New officers
 - i. Ryan Green will be Collegiate FFA Board Representative
- 9) Standing Committee's Report
 - a. Finance Committee- Tom Smith
 - i. No report
 - b. Awards and Activities Committee- Beth Stuever
 - i. Proficiency Award Presentation
 - 1. Andrea Bommarito recommended extending the Thursday lunch during state FFA convention to include a Proficiency Award Presentation, and starting the Thursday afternoon session one half-hour later. 11:30 lunch is served and gold and silver recipients sit in designed areas with sponsor and family members (family members are charged using a cost-recovery model). Sponsor for each award area is announced. All recipients are announced and walked across cafeteria "stage", and gold and silver winners receive plaques. Thursday afternoon session begins at 1 p.m. Program takes place as usually, but only state winners are recognized on state. Video presentation for each Proficiency area includes a final slide that lists all gold and silver recipients.
 - a. Andrea moved to accept the recommendation. Second. Motion carried.
 - b. Matt Jakubik moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Greenhouse Proficiency
 - 1. Aaron Balowski moved to accept the proposal to have greenhouse proficiency. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Matt Jakubik moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - c. Career Development Event Committee- Charles Scovill
 - i. Create a Food Technology CDO
 - 1. Charles Scovill moved to take no action on the Food Technology CDE. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Clint Steketee moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Leadership Contest
 - 1. Charles Scovill moved to take no action on the motions to hold district and region contest on the same day and no action be taken on equal awards for contests. Second. Motion carried.
 - 2. Marie Hruby moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - iii. Gold/Silver/Bronze Ranking State Leadership Contest
 - 1. Charles Scovill moved to take no action on the motion require judges to give bronze awards to team who do not move into finals of the State Leadership contests. Second. Motion carried.

2. Elizabeth Khovsky moved to sustain. Motion carried.
 - iv. Career Development Events Individual Awards
 1. Charles Scovill moved that the FFA office publish official CDE results including top 10 performers (Individual and team) for all state leadership and skills CDE contest. No additional awards will be presented. Second. Motion Failed.
 - a. Dr. Eddie Moore called for a division. Motion failed 5-6.
 2. Chris Sanford moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - d. State Officer Policy Committee-Kevin Nugent
 - i. No Report
 - e. Governing Committee- Brian Kiesling
 - i. Regional and District Size
 1. Brian Kiesling moved to take this motion to Summer PDI and report back at the September board meeting. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Ryan Green moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Agricultural Issues Contest
 1. Brian Kiesling moved to request the state staff review the convention schedule and develop a plan or a rotation with demonstration and public speaking to compete on the big stage. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Chris Sanford moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - iii. SAT, MME, and State Convention Date
 1. Brian Kiesling moved to leave the dates of convention as they are currently, on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Julia Voelker moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - iv. BACC Evening Class
 1. Brian Kiesling moved to take no action on this issue. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Aaron Balowski moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - v. Review period of Skills contest results
 1. Brian Kiesling moved to allow 2 business days to review skills contest results. Second. Motion carried.
 2. Clint Steketee moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
- 10) Old Business
- 11) New business
- a. Ag Skills Date- Burt Henry
 - i. Chris Sanford moved to refer this motion to the CDE committee and that they work with the State office. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Doug Pennington moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - b. Poultry CDE- Randy Showerman
 - i. Matt Jakubik moved to refer this to the CDE committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Andrea Bommarito moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - c. Dairy Showmanship Class- Dave Wyrick
 - i. Beth Stuever moved to accept the proposal stating that the dairy judging contest changed the rules to more closely reflect the way the contest is currently being conducted as written. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Kaite Hard moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
 - d. ANR Ed. CDE-Michael Everett and Randy Showerman
 - i. Matt Jakubik moved to refer this to the CDE committee. Second. Motion carried.
 - ii. Marie Hruby moved to sustain. Second. Motion carried.
- 12) Dr. Showerman and Mr. Wyrick presented the State Officers with end their year of service plaques.
- 13) Adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

2008-2009 Meeting Dates

September 24, 2009 5:00-8:00 pm

December 14, 2009 5:00-8:00 pm

March 25, 2010 5:00-8:00 pm

May 13, 2010 5:00-8:00 pm