

Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors
Meeting

April 29, 2013

5:00PM Dinner Available – 338 Natural Resources

5:00 to 6:00PM Committee Meeting – Please see below

6:00 to 8:00 PM Board Meeting – 338 Natural Resources

- I. Call to Order – Abby Spickerman, State President
 - a. Darcy Lipskey moved to suspend the rules
 1. Seconded and passed
 - b. Moved by Brian Kiesling to sustain
 1. Seconded and passed.
- II. Opening Ceremonies – Suspended
- III. Secretary Report – Morgan Stuart
 - a. Moved by Darcy Lipskey to accept
 1. seconded and passed
 - a. Moved to sustain by Hyatt and seconded
 1. passed
- IV. Treasurer’s Report - Nathan Krohn
 - a. Moved to receive by Emily and seconded
 1. passed
 - a. Moved to sustain by Charles Scovill and seconded
 1. passed
- V. Michigan FFA Association
(<http://www.michiganffa.com/association/>)
 1. State Officer Report – Abby Spickerman
 - a. Ag skills contests
 1. 2,800 participants
 - b. Traveling for banquets and regional camps
 2. State Advisor Report – Randy Showerman
 - a. Retiring plaques for officers
 - b. New set of standards in effect for fall 2014
 1. Cross referencing the ag to the math requirements
 - c. Across the state of MI are 7,023 students in agriculture classes
 - d. Projected to have 6,500 FFA members this year
 - e. Renew teacher licenses soon
 - f. Possible new chapters
 1. Niles, Eaton Rapids, Airport
 - g. New major: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Education
 1. Hope to admit students for fall 2014
 2. New associate dean who is working with articulation

agreements

h. Registration System

1. Starting with SLCCO can pay by credit card or by purchase order (same as now)

a. Hopefully by July

3. State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick

a. WE ARE HIS FAVORITE TEAM EVER! (According to Morgan)

b. May 28th Tigers game with DTE

c. Ag skills contests

1. Cannot be on the 18th because the AQHA has the pavilion all weekend

2. Is currently scheduled for the 11th but that is during spring breaks

3. Possibly making them on the 15th

4. will be kept posted about dates

VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Sherry Kiel

<http://www.michiganffa.com/alumni/>

1. ADC

a. No news

2. New officers

a. Connor Hubbard region 6

b. Haley Schultz region 3

c. Laura Krovoski region

3. Sponsor Abby for a National Officer Candidate training camp this summer

VII. Past State Officers – Henry Reinhart

1. Sponsoring the current state officers with a lifetime membership

a. Donated by past state officers and supporters

2. Your year is not over- help with alumni, PSO group, other ways to help

VIII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Ramey Lunceford

<http://www.michiganffa.com/foundation/>

1. Foundation appreciates the diversity on our board

2. First gift for the new degree- Dr. Don Meaders set aside money for ag education, made into an endowment

a. Will be used for a scholarship for student teachers

3. over \$250,000 has been given in support of Michigan FFA

4. Thank you letters to sponsors of State Convention and Ag Skills contests

a. especially from students

5. Making an effort to reach out to the FFA banquets. Want FFA directors to attend banquets and talk for a few minutes

a. Contact Ramey

6. Spring Mailing

1. Plant in ground and flowers grow

- 2. Shows thanks to donors
- 7. Ag Expo Donors Breakfast
 - a. July 16th
 - b. FFA toy tractors from 1993-1997 tractors to be auctioned off
- 8. Masters Golf Outing
 - a. August 15th
- 9. Glassbrook Grants
 - a. Due November 19th
 - b. Application made available at SLCCO/SLCRO
- IX. Standing Committee's Report
 - 1. Finance Committee (320A Nat Res) –Chairperson Eddie Moore
 - a. no report
 - 2. Awards and Activities Committee (320B Nat Res) –Co-Chairpersons Jason Gehrke and Cathy LaLonde
 - a. State Degree Proposal – Burt Henry
 - 1. Check off sheet used by the teachers
 - 2. Recommended to Fail
 - a. Currently several applications that contain errors and 90% are signed off by teachers. This proposal won't be able to enforce the rules and standards for the degrees. The state staff should judge the applications
 - b. State degree is important that is earned by hard work and if this passed any advisor could give it to their student.
 - 3. Proposal dies for lack of support
 - 3. Career Development Event Committee (338 Nat Res) -Chairperson Charles Scovill
 - a. Job Interview and Cover Letter Proposal – Burt Henry
 - 1. Requesting change in how points are distributed
 - 2. Moved by Charles Scovill to send to a review committee, selected by Mr. Wyrick, to bring recommended changes back to our committee at the September 2013 meeting.
 - a. Seconded
 - b. passed
 - 1. Moved to sustain my Emily Calderone and Seconded
 - a. Passed
 - b. Job Interview Proposal – Doug Pennington
 - 1. Moved by Charles Scovill to send to a review committee, selected by Mr. Wyrick, to bring recommended changes back to our committee at the September 2013 meeting.
 - a. Seconded
 - b. passed
 - 1. Moved to Sustain by Emily Calderone
 - a. Passed

- c. Electronic Manuscripts Proposal – Megan Merrill and Pat Henne
 - 1. Maintaining an electronic copy of manuscripts
 - 2. Moved by Charles Scovill that Chapters having any demonstration team or any public speaker winning a gold award in a regional/state contest during the past 4 years must change the title and the majority of content to be eligible for the following year. An electronic copy of the manuscript must be turned in to the State Association by 5 pm one week prior to the state FFA convention
 - a. Seconded
 - b. Motion withdrawn
 - 3. Moved by Charles Scovill to amend and resubmit: Chapters having a demonstration team or any public speakers in any speaking contest winning a “Gold” award in a state contest during the past four years must change the title and the majority of the content to be eligible the following year, or be disqualified. An electronic copy of the manuscript must be submitted to the State FFA Office by 5:00 pm, one week prior to the start of the State FFA Convention; or be disqualified.
 - a. Seconded
 - b. passed
 - 1. Moved by Darcy Lipskey to sustain and seconded
 - a. passed
 - d. Extemporaneous Public Speaking Proposal – Aaron Saari
 - 1. Moved by Charles Scovill to accept the proposal that the Michigan Extemporaneous Public Speaking contest have the same requirements as the National Contest as far as reference materials are concerned, as outlined above. This would require contest chairs to review reference materials before the contest begins.
 - a. Seconded
 - b. passed
 - 1. Moved to sustain by Emily Calderone and seconded
 - a. Passed
 - e. Overall Poultry Winner Proposal – Burt Henry for Region 3
 - 1. Recommended to not support
 - 2. Proposal dies due to lack of support
 - f. Speech Proposal – Dave Wyrick and Randy Showerman
 - 1. no action
4. State Officer Policy Committee (130 Nat Res) –Chairperson Kevin Nugent
- a. State Officer Regional VP Proposal – Randy Showerman and Dave Wyrick
 - 1. Moved by Kevin Nugent to accept the amended proposal “Appoint the member that was slated the highest as a ceremonial officer that was not elected as the State level as the Regional VP in

cases where no other member from that region participated in the state level interviews”

a. Seconded

b. Passed

1. Moved by Emily Calderone to sustain and seconded

a. passed

5. Governing Committee (302 Nat Res) –Chairperson Brian Kiesling

a. District Team to Regional Proposal – Leyna Miller

1. Moved by Brian Kiesling to accept the proposal “All teams and participants must compete at districts in order to advance to regional contest” and seconded

a. Passed

1. Moved by Emily Calderone to sustain and seconded

a. passed

b. Leadership Contest Dates Proposal – Randy Showerman and Dave Wyrick

1. proposal dies due to lack of action

c. Poultry Attend Proposal – Burt Henry for Region 3

1. Moved to accept the amended proposal “Each entry be allowed no more than 2 members into the cooling and packing area”

a. Seconded

b. Passed

1. Moved by Nathan Krohn to sustain and seconded

a. Passed

X. Old Business

1. Middle School Activity Task Force Update

a. no update

XI. New Business

1. Use of Video and Multimedia – Matt Jakubik

a. In last couple years seeing more video and multimedia being used in contests. Have an unfair advantage when you record part of your presentation and play it during the actual contest.

1. Solution: limiting time or playing before the contest time starts

b. Research from national contests

1. Jerry Peters, national superintendent says that short clips have been used as props at the national level and if a student was pre-recorded for the presentation and it is not used as a prop it will reflect poorly on the team

c. Setting guidelines for videos

d. Moved by Matt Jakubik to move this proposal to the CDE committee

1. Seconded
 2. Discussion: broaden to Ag Skills contests?
 3. Passed
 - a. Moved by Juliana Forbush to sustain and seconded
 1. Passed
2. Vet Science CDE Proposal – Randy Showerman
 - a. Moved by Randy Showerman to develop a task force to deal with issues related to the vet science contest
 1. Seconded
 2. Passed
 - a. Moved to sustain by Emily Calderone and seconded
 1. Passed
3. Proficiency Luncheon – John Schut
 - a. Moved by Burt Henry to submit this proposal to the Awards and Activities Committee
 1. Seconded
 2. passed
 - a. moved by Emily Calderone to sustain and seconded
 1. passed
4. Parliamentary Procedure – Megan Merrill and Pat Henne
 - a. Releasing old Parli Pro tests and releasing the scores from the test to get feedback
 - b. Mr. Wyrick will release the test scores and will do a better job of letting people know where the questions are coming from
 - c. no action necessary
 - d. October 10 and 11, fall PDI
 1. Flash Drive with all of the past Parli Pro, GH Conduct of Meetings, etc items of business
5. Nursery and Landscape Proposal – Randy Showerman
 - a. Moved by Doug Pennington to accept
 1. Seconded
 2. Passed
 - a. Moved to sustain by Emily Calderone and seconded
 1. Passed
6. Junior High Activities – Dave Wyrick
 - a. Moved to accept this proposal by Burt Henry
 1. seconded
 2. passed
 - a. moved to sustain by sam and seconded
 1. passed
7. Moved to adjourn the meeting by Charles Scovill and seconded
 1. Passed
 - a. moved to sustain by Nathan Krohn and seconded

1. passed

Next Meeting Dates

September 19, 2013

December 5, 2013

March 20, 2014

May 1, 2014