September 20, 2012 Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by State President Abby Spickerman.

Secretary Report given by State Secretary Morgan Stuart.
  • Moved by Jaime Curth and seconded to approve
    o Passed
  • Moved by Matt Jakubik and seconded to sustain the student board
    o Passed
Treasurers Report given by State Treasurer Nate Krohn.
  • Moved by Emily Calderone and seconded to receive
    o Passed
  • Moved by Jason Gehrke and seconded to sustain
    o Passed
Michigan FFA Association
  • State Officer Report
    o Review of summer; NLCSO, SLCCO, Ag Expo, Golf Outing, B & I Tours, SPSP, Blast Off, Video shoot for National FFA
  • State Advisor Report
    o Video shoot in Lansing with 45 chapter members for nationals
    o Affiliate Fee membership program
      ▪ Fees were lowered from last year
    o Fall PDI & Leadership Conferences
      ▪ Teachers register ASAP
      ▪ Check off on registration for to donate to Hunger Foundation
    o New charters
      ▪ Eaton County, Hart MI, Concord, Elsworth
      ▪ Coming year: Newago, Niles, Calhoun
    o Exploring electronic payments
    o AET working- get schools involved
  • State Executive Secretary Report
    o Membership went up from previous year; trend, better tracking of membership
    o National Officer Candidate= Jasper Cunningham
      ▪ Doing mock interviews in Texas & Minnesota
    o Last convention in Indy for 3 years
    o Vic Verchereau- Hosting the State Officer team for a meeting, supper, and a tour of Farm Bureau
    o Officer, Lizzi Pine, dismissed
      ▪ Morgan covering Region II, Darcy Region III, Abby splitting between Region II & III, everyone else fills in when necessary

Past State Officers
  • 2nd annual PSO reunion on November 3rd, Time TBA.
  • Nomination form found on PSO website
  • Contest to design state convention t shirt
Winner can shoot off tee shirts at state convention

Michigan FFA Alumni
- Spot at Ag Expo
  - 20+ new members
  - unveiled new tee shirt
- School officials trip coming up
  - sign up dead line is October 3rd
- Want to bring National FFA Alumni conference to MI in 2014
- Judging scholarships
- Next meeting October 6th

Michigan FFA Foundation
- Wrapped up summer quarter meeting 28th of August
- 21 teams at Golf outing
  - $4,000 sponsorships
  - $10,500 in total revenue
  - Something similar next year
  - Region III won $500
- Glassbrook grants
  - On website
  - Fund $25,000 @ $2,000 each
  - Due 30th of November
  - Displays ready by Fall PDI if got one last year
- 2012-13 association grant = $193,000
- Cover AET and working for Kids against Hunger
  - State Officers giving $500 to Kids Against Hunger
- November 13, Jan 29, March 7th, next meetings
- TSC program - made $18,000 - 12 scholarships from National FFA (found on National FFA website)
- Send e-mail out to teachers about the TSC program funds
- Helped send about 87 students to WLC
- November 6th, Nationals coming in to talk about how the state is going and new programs

Standing Committee’s Report
- Finance Committee
  - FFA has many supporters - keep FFA Association in good shape
  - MSU has own procedures with auditing
- Awards & Activities
  - Michigan Honorary State Degree
    - Jason Gehrke moved to refer the Michigan Honorary State Degree to the governance committee
      - Seconded and Passed
      - Moved to sustain by Darcy Lipskey and seconded
        - Passed
- CDE
Parli Pro - changing the abilities so they are evenly spaced out
  - Matt Jakubik moved to accept proposal
    - Seconded and Passed
    - Moved to sustain by Darcy Lipskey
      - Seconded and Passed

Ag Issues - looking at when and how they are documented
  - Not accept 2nd part of the proposal
  - Matt Jakubik moved with amendment - Proposing that the Ag issues teams must have two public forms before regionals and 5 (3 additional) before states; becomes part of rubric
    - Seconded and Passed
    - Sustained by Emily Calderone
      - Seconded and Passed

Ag communications
  - Fall PDI do workshop on this
  - Matt Jakubik Moved to accept proposal - Bring us closer in align with nationals - have 4 participants on the team instead of 5 (4th person is an alternate)
    - Seconded and Passed
    - Moved to sustain by Levi Voorhies
      - Seconded and Passed

Leadership Contests
  - Matt Jakubik moved to make all of the rules in the same format for each contest (objectives, team make up, etc...) so that everything is standard. Change the name of general contest chair to superintendent of contest. Same rules just different wording
    - Seconded and Passed
    - Moved to Sustain by Emily Calderone
      - Seconded and Passed

State Officer Policy – Kevin Nugent
  - No report

Governing
  - Nominations for the Honorary Degree
    - Burt Henry Moved that no action be taken
      - To receive should have done something at the state level
      - Seconded and Passed
      - Moved to sustain by Max Kempf
        - Seconded and Passed

Affiliate Fee
  - New advisors want to come out of the affiliate fee program and go back to traditional
    - Burt Henry moved to support a two year period to move back to traditional
- Seconded and Passed
- Moved to sustain by Darcy Lipskey
  - Passed

- Recommendation that gives a one time **opt out for chapters** based on state staff discretion
  - Burt Henry moved to recommend the one time opt out
    - Seconded and Passed
    - Moved to sustain by Hannah Fallowfield
      - Seconded and Passed

Old Business
- **Middle School Activity Task Force**
  - Bethany Schrock, Brittini Bommarito are replaced by Levi Voorhies, Juliana Forbush, and one other person needed for the committee
- Next meetings are December 5, March 19, and April 29

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Morgan Stuart, State Secretary