

**Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 28, 2022
5:30 Dinner (for those in-person)
6:00 to 6:30 PM Board Meeting
Held In-Person Rm 338 Natural Resources
Or Virtually on Zoom**

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- I. Call to Order – Amara Jackson
 - The meeting was called to order at 5:55 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, 2022, by State President Amara Jackson. 24 members and guests were present: all members of the 2021-2022 Michigan FFA State Officer Team, Dr. Tiffany Rogers-Randolph, Mr. Mark Forbush, Michelle Sidel, Grace Platte, Haley Cucinello, Travis Jones and Dr. Aaron McKim.
 - Online: Troy Bancroft, Becca Gulliver, Scott Corrin

- II. Opening Ceremonies – FFA State Officers

- III. Secretary Report – Kaia Cooper
 - Haley Cucinello moved to accept the secretary’s report. Travis Jones seconded. Motion passes.
 - Savannah Mauk moved to accept. Sydney Masters seconded. Motion passes.

- IV. Treasurer’s Report – Sydney Masters
 - The FFA Association’s account balance as of April 25, 2022 is \$263,773.79. There is approximately \$50,000.00 in outstanding bills for convention. The balance in our contingency fund as of March 25, 2022 is \$492,747.04.
 - Haley Cucinello moved to accept the secretary’s report. Travis Jones seconded. Motion passes.
 - Emma Barnum moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Savannah Mauk seconded. Motion passes.

- V. Michigan FFA Association (<https://michiganffa.org/association/>)
 - State Officer Report – Amara Jackson
 - a. Finishing up banquets and regional camps.
 - b. Skills had a good turnout
 - c. Some SOs visiting other state’s conventions
 - d. Capstone coming up in May
 - e. Team Tigers game in June
 - f. NOC interviews May 15th

- g. Rabbit/Meat contest coming up, other summer contests on our mind, too.
 - State Advisor Report – Mark Forbush
 - a. More early agriscience educator job postings than seen before at this point (10).
 - 1. Many superintendents say they'll fill their opening as soon as they find a good candidate.
 - b. 3 are already filled but are not yet board approved
 - c. 3 new programs are opening!
 - d. Perkins 5 grant sent in
 - 1. Has not yet been reviewed, but likely that we will be chosen.
 - 2. AET could be a way that we do certifications
 - 3. We want to measure career skills
 - a. Can we measure what it means to be an FFA member?
 - b. How can we get FFA credentials to be understood by all?
 - e. Thank you to all of the Skills Contest volunteers! We couldn't do it without you!
 - State Executive Secretary Report – Dr. Tiffany Rogers-Randolph
 - a. DEI Committee:
 - 1. New members working to get their first meeting scheduled for mid-May
 - b. Skills Contests
 - 1. Contest participation by teams is comparable to pre-COVID contest
 - 2. Final results sent out tomorrow (4/29)
 - 3. Incoming SO team had first meeting (led by Matthew Albrecht)
- VI. Michigan FFA Alumni – Becca Gulliver
[\(http://www.michiganffa.org/alumni/\)](http://www.michiganffa.org/alumni/)
- Annual meeting on October 1st at Agroliquid in St. Johns
 - New gator raffle tickets are printed and ready to go!
 - a. If you need tickets, please contact Becca Gulliver or Burt Henry
- VII. Past State Officers – Henry Reinart
- None
- VIII. Michigan FFA Foundation – Kyle Schaberg - Forbush
[\(http://www.michiganffa.org/foundation/\)](http://www.michiganffa.org/foundation/)
- The endowment has officially crossed the \$8 million mark!
 - Wrapping up the matching gift campaign with Crystal Flash. At about 85% of the goal
 - Glassbrook grant committee went to 12 chapters
- IX. Ag Ed Club – Grace Platte

- Had last meeting a few weeks back where the new officer team was elected.
- The last event is going to the Holland Tulip Festival then to the Careerline Tech Center to check out their program.

X. Call To The Public

- None

XI. Standing Committee's – None

- Vision and Special Topics Committee
Chairperson Beth Wilson
- Awards and Activities Committee
Chairperson Jennifer Smith
- Career Development Event Committee
Chairperson Haley Cucinello
- State Officer Policy Committee
Chairperson Doug Pennington
- Governing Committee
Chairperson Jason Griffith

XII. Informational Items:

- Regional Advisors which are up for next year:
 - a. Regions V and VI and MAAE Rep.
- Aaron Mckim staying on the board
- Troy Bancroft board retirement recognition

XIII. Old Business

- None

XIV. New Business

- Recognition of State Officers
- See below information for contests reviewed in the next year
 - a. We have officially reviewed all contests and are on our second round of reviews.

2022-23- FYI – Contests slated to be reviewed are; Ag Mechanics, Agronomy, Environmental Skills, Greenhouse Crop Management, Food Science, Horse Judging and Milk Quality and Products

2022-23 Meeting Dates

September 15, 2022

December 8, 2022

March 23, 2023

April 27, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for the last time,

Kaia Cooper

State Secretary