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  
Join Zoom Meeting  
https://msu.zoom.us/j/93163272169  
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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/)
    • 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/)
      • 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:
   • 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