

**Michigan FFA Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 30th, 2020**

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

6:00 to 8:00 PM Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 on April 30th, 2020, by President Haili Gusa. 30 members and guests include: Haili Gusa, Avianna Jackson, Andrew Smith, Kyle Stack, Anna Baker, Devin Haywood, Abigail Stubbins, Andrew Davis, Matthew Albrecht, Kalie Chrystler, Lindsey Hoppe, Haley Cucinello, David Mellor, Jason Griffith, T Jones, Katie Holt, Aaron McKim, Jennifer Smith, Caitlin Henne, Becca Gulliver, Henry Reinhart, Michelle Sidel, Dave Wyrick, Mark Forbush, Deb Schmucker, Troy Bancroft, Jen Troyer, Doug Pennington, Elizabeth Wilson, and Matt Jakubik.

Opening Ceremonies – FFA State Officers

Secretary Report – Matthew Albrecht

- 30 members and guest present
- September minutes

Kyle Stack moved to accept the secretary's report as written, Avianna Jackson seconded. Motion passed.

Haley Cucinello moved to sustain, T Jones seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - Andrew Smith

- The FFA Association's account balance as of 11/30/19 is \$150,347.74, with no outstanding bills.
- The balance of our contingency fund as of 11/30/19 is \$174,004.64.

Andrew Davis moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written, Devin Haywood seconded. Motion passed.

Doug Pennington moved to sustain, Haley Cucinello seconded.

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- State Officer Report – Haili Gusa

- Officers have been preparing for State Convention since the last board meeting. State Convention was in March.
- Officers are focused on social media engagement including zoom facilitation, social media takeovers, and Facebook live banquet speeches.
- State Advisor Report – Mark Forbush
 - Teacher meetings once a week
 - Zoom meeting between first year teachers
 - Go to the teacher page for job postings
 - MDE reporting on added cost funding
- State Executive Secretary Report – Dave Wyrick
 - Officers received their plaques
 - National Convention housing due June 10th
 - National Chapter, Proficiencies, etc. Due June 1st
 - Still planning SLCCO and SLCRO as of now
 - State Officer Summit training will be online
 - Base Camp training June 22-24th
 - National Convention website opens May 1st
 - Michigan FFA website is a work in progress, everything should be done by May 15th

Michigan FFA Alumni – Becca Gulliver

- Annual meeting cancelled
- Due to the Washington Leadership Conference being cancelled scholarships will roll over to the following year
- Tractor Raffle alongside Michigan FFA Foundation. Fundraising with local affiliates, \$10 ticket sales, selling to chapters for \$5
- \$150 roster fee. Twenty-five lifetime members is no longer a rule.

Past State Officers – Henry Reinart

- The Online Newsroom went well for students who could not attend the Convention.
- Sold lots of t-shirts at the State FFA Dance

Michigan FFA Foundation – Kyle Schaberg

- Struggling to travel to encourage sponsors due to COVID-19. Working online to re-engage old donors.

Ag Ed Club – Caitlin Henne

- Newly elected officers have an upcoming retreat to plan their upcoming year.

Exiting the Board (3-year term):

- Region 1: Doug Pennington
- Region 2: Jennifer Smith

Call To The Public

Standing Committee's Report

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

Informational Item

- Michigan FFA CDE Policy During COVID-19: With the postponement of the April 17th Career Development Events a new plan to select the participants to represent Michigan FFA at the National FFA contests must be devised. Every effort will be made to hold a state level contest for those

events that are held at the national level but the following requirements must be met:

- Due to the National FFA certification date requirement all contests must be completed by August 1st, 2020.
- All FFA members must have the ability to participate in any contest held.
- All events must be proctored by someone who is not affiliated with the participants FFA chapter.
- All events must be conducted in a fair and equitable manner as determined by State FFA Staff and the FFA Association Governance Committee.

Old Business

New Business

- Proposals

1. CDE Proposal - Visioning Committee

- Beth Wilson moved to accept, Doug Pennington seconded.

Doug Pennington moved to amend the motion by substituting the words “second place team” for the words “next highest placing team available” so the motion will now read “If any contest cannot be held in a manner approved by the State FFA staff and the FFA Board of Directors Governance committee prior to August 1st, the chapter that had the next highest placing team available from the 2019 skills contests will be asked to prepare a team to compete in the 2020 National FFA CDE’s.” Haley Cucinello seconded, amendment passed. Motion passed. Kyle Stack moved to sustain, Andrew Smith seconded. Motion passed.

2. State Officer Slate Proposal - State Officer Policy Committee

- Doug Pennington moved to accept. There is an implied second. Motion fails adult board.

3. Robert's Rules of Order Proposal - CDE Committee

- Haley Cucinello moved to accept, Matt Jakubik seconded. Motion passed. Avianna Jackson moved to sustain, Devin Haywood seconded. Motion passed.

4. Jr. High Records - Awards and Activities

- Katie Holt moved to accept, Beth Wilson seconded. Motion passed. Lindsey Hoppe moved to sustain, Andrew Davis seconded. Motion passed.
5. Skid Steer Proposal - CDE Committee
- Haley Cucinello moved to accept, Matt Jakubik seconded. Motion passed. Devin Haywood moved to sustain, Abigail Stubbins seconded. Motion passed.

2020-21- FYI - Contests slated to be reviewed are; Nursery-Landscape, Floriculture, Forestry, Land Conservation, Marketing Plan, Greenhand Conduct of Meetings, and Jr. High Conduct of Meetings.

FYI DATES

- 20-21 CDE Contest Review - SLCCO/SLCRO July 8 and 9

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew J. Albrecht

Michigan FFA Association

Region IV State Vice President