



# National FFA Organization

*Premiere Leadership*

*Personal Growth*

*Career Success*

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## **New Jersey FFA Association**

### **“Break Through Limits”**

TO: State Executive Board Members, NJ FFA Chapter Advisors, Officers and Members

FROM: Kristianne Dowd, State FFA President  
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist  
Nancy J. Trivette, State FFA Advisor

DATE: July 25, 2014

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting  
**Monday, August 4, 2014 – 9:00 a.m.**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor NJDA Auditorium, Trenton, NJ

- 9:00 am – 11:00 am – State FFA Executive Board Meeting
- 11:15 am – 12:15 pm – Chapter Visit Workshop
- 12:30 pm – 1:15 pm – Lunch
- 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm – Farm Bureau Visit
- 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm – Team Photo Shoot
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm – Nuts and Bolts of NJ FFA

All State Executive Board Members must attend this meeting. If these individuals cannot attend, they should call Mrs. Noble at (609) 984-4380, and give the reason to receive an excused absence. Mrs. Lisa Ann Moschera-Chernigovets will fill the teacher representative on the Executive Board, and will have voting power at each meeting in 2014-2015.

### **AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST STATE MEETING**

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the July State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer’s Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
  - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities – Kristianne Dowd
  - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Hope Cahill
  - C. State Leadership Activities – Ben Wainwright
  - D. State Applications – Kyle Fisher
  - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Jenna Pinhas
  - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Kelly Gangel
  - G. State Convention Evaluation – Sean Hamner

The FFA Mission

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.*

- VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report** – Kyle Fisher
- VII. Executive Committee Report** – Kyle Clement
- VIII. Foundation Report** – Ben Wainwright
- IX. Alumni Report** – Kelly Gangel
- X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report** – Kristianne Dowd
- XI. Unfinished Business**
  - A. Safe Tractor Operations Event (July 15, 2014) – Ben Wainwright
  - B. State Presidents Conference (July 21-26, 2014) – Kelly Gangel
  - C. Summer CDEs
    - a. Dairy Handlers (July 22, 2014) – Sean Hamner
    - b. Horse Judging (July 23, 2014) – Kyle Fisher
  - D. National Leadership Conference for State Officers (July 27–31, 2014) – Jenna Pinhas
  - E. 360<sup>o</sup> Training (July 31- August 2, 2014) – Ben Wainwright
  - F. 87th National FFA Convention (October 30 – November 2, 2013)
    - a. Flag Bearer – Kyle Fisher
    - b. Delegates – Kelly Gangel
    - c. State Booth – Sean Hamner
    - d. State Suite – Hope Cahill
    - e. Recognition Program – Kyle Fisher
  - G. State Theme T-Shirt and Thank You Gift – Ben Wainwright
  - H. Eastern States Exposition – Kyle Fisher
  - I. New Jersey Agriculture Magazine – Sean Hamner
  - J. Assembly Resolution 145 – Stuart Faunce
  - K. Chapter Visits – Hope Cahill
  - L. Team Goal Action Plan – Kelly Gangel
- XII. New Business**
  - A. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers – Hope Cahill
  - B. Leadership Experience and Development – (LEAD: October 11-12)
    - a. Cost Analysis – Ben Wainwright
    - b. 360<sup>o</sup> Curriculum
      - 1. Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) – Kelly Gangel
      - 2. Leadership and Opportunities Conference – Delaney Gray
    - c. State Greenhand Conference – Kyle Clement
    - d. Timeline – Jenna Pinhas
  - C. Agricultural Education Issues Discussion – Hope Cahill
  - D. State Officer Mileage – Sean Hamner
- XIII. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting- September 8, 2014  
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Auditorium  
4:00 p.m.*

**New Jersey FFA Association  
Minutes of the July 7, 2014 Meeting**

**I. Opening Ceremonies**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Voting members in attendance were Kelly Gangel, Ben Wainwright, Hope Cahill, Sean Hamner, Kyle Fisher, Kyle Clement, Delaney Gray, Dave Watts, and Stuart Faunce. State Staff in attendance were Mrs. Trivette and Mrs. Noble.

**II. Minutes from the June State Meeting**

**Motion by Kelly Gangel** to accept the secretary's report as read.

Mrs. Trivette suggested changing the word "Association" to "Foundation" under Section VIII Foundation Report.

**Motion by Stuart Faunce** to change the word "Association" to "Foundation" under Section VIII Foundation Report.

**Seconded by Kyle Clement. Motion passes.**

**Secretary's Report passes as amended.**

**III. Treasurer's Report**

**Motion by Ben Wainwright** to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

**Motion passes pending audit.**

**IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**

Mr. David McNair introduced himself to the state officer team and discussed how the Department of Education is proud of the relationship with the office of Ag Ed..

**Motion by Ben Wainwright** to give Jenna Pinhas an excused absence.

**Seconded by Kyle Fisher. Motion passes.**

*Kelly Gangel assumes the duties of the chair.*

**V. Committee Assignments**

**A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities**

No report.

**B. Membership & Chapter Relations**

The chapter visit assignments and membership data chart has been provided in our folders.

**C. State Leadership Activities**

No report.

**D. State Applications**

No report.

**E. Career Development Evaluation and Review**

A letter from Newton FFA was presented to the State FFA Executive Board regarding the 60% mastery level policy and Newton's first place Agronomy CDE team.

**Motion by Delaney Gray** to share with Newton FFA that the board is not in favor of removing the 60% mastery level policy; however, the board will consider the letter from Newton FFA when reviewing the policy at a later date.

**Seconded by Dave Watts. Motion passes.**

**F. Horticultural Exposition and Review**

No report.

**G. State Convention Evaluation**

The evaluations from the 85<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention were provided in our folders.

*Kristianne Dowd reassumes the duties of the chair.*

**VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report**

Kyle discussed the how to properly set-up a meeting according to Robert's Rules of Order and the proper order of business.

**VII. Executive Committee Report**

The executive committee explained how to handle juggling many tasks during our year of state office and showed the officers how they can work together to accomplish the many tasks being thrown at them.

**VIII. Foundation Report**

The July meeting is cancelled, and the next meeting will be held in October.

**IX. Alumni Report**

The last Alumni meeting was held on June 12. The Alumni discussed plans for the golf tournament and challenged each other to bring door prizes. The next meeting will be held on August 6 at 6:00 pm at Mrs. Noble's house. A celebratory picnic will be held following the meeting. The Alumni is also looking to fill a few officer positions. Please submit an application to Eric Nelson if interested.

**X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report**

No report. The next meeting will be held at the New Jersey Agricultural Convention in February.

**XI. Unfinished Business**

**A. State Officer Leadership Training**

SOLT was held on June 7-8 at the Rutgers EcoComplex. The Alumni presented various workshops to the state officers on how to be the best state officers they can be.

**B. Alumni Golf Tournament**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Alumni Golf Tournament was held on June 24, honoring Jack and Cyndee Roszel. Many sponsors and golfers came to join in on the fun and the banquet was a success. The Alumni raised over \$7,000 for student leadership opportunities and scholarships.

**C. BLAST OFF**

Blast Off was held June 25-27 at the Mercer County Soil Conservation District, facilitated by Kayla Hack. The state officers learned about their individual strengths and how to model expectations.

**D. Safe Tractor Operations Event**

The Safe Tractor Operations Event will be held on July 15 at the Burlington County Fairgrounds beginning at 4:00 pm. Sean Hamner and Ben Wainwright will be in attendance to represent the Association.

**E. State Presidents' Conference**

SPC will be held July 21-26 in Washington, DC. Kristianne Dowd and Kelly Gangel will attend congressional visits and will learn how to advocate for agriculture. This is the first step of the delegate process and each will serve as leadership delegates for the 87<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention.

**Motion by Kyle Clement** to create a delegate proposal regarding the realignment of the National regions.

**Seconded by Stuart Faunce. Motion passes.**

**F. Summer Career Development Events**

**a. Dairy Handlers' Event**

Sean Hamner and Hope Cahill will be in attendance to represent the State Association.

**b. Horse Judging CDE**

Kyle Fisher and Jenna Pinhas will be in attendance to represent the State Association.

**G, National Leadership Conference for State Officers (July 27-31)**

NLCSO will be held in Dover, Delaware from July 27-31. State Officers should meet at Mrs. Noble's house by 9:00 am and be prepared for the agricultural tour on the way to Delaware. The schedule for NLCSO has been provided in our folders.

**H. Chapter Banquets**

The executive committee shared their experiences attending chapter banquets this past year. The executive committee was excited to have the chance to attend the banquets and spend time with the members.

**XII. New Business**

**A. 360° Training**

360° Training will be held July 31-August 2 at the Rutgers EcoComplex, directly following NLCSO. Zach Wakeman will facilitate the training. The state officers will be given the curriculum for LEAD and practicing their workshops.

**B. 87<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention (October 29-November 1, 2014)**

**a. Flag Bearer**

Kyle Fisher will carry the NJ flag at National Convention.

**b. Delegates**

Kristianne Dowd, Kelly Gangel, Jenna Pinhas and Ben Wainwright will serve as delegates. Hope Cahill will serve as the alternate delegate.

**c. State Booth**

Sean Hamner will represent the State Association at the State Booth, and work with the first place Hall of States team as well as the National Convention Scholarship winner.

**d. State Suite**

Hope Cahill will be the meet and greet officer at the State Suite.

**e. Recognition Program**

Kyle Fisher will be in charge of the planning of the New Jersey Recognition breakfast.

**C. State Theme T-shirt and Thank You Gift**

The state officers discussed colors for state theme t-shirts and options for 2014-2015 thank you gifts to recognize judges and speakers at state FFA events. They will finalize this at the August State Meeting.

**D. Eastern States Exposition**

The Big E will be held in Springfield, MA from September 12-14. Chapters will attend the Big E to compete in career development events and in the star program.

**E. New Jersey Agriculture**

New Jersey FFA Association has the opportunity to submit an advertisement in the New Jersey Agriculture magazine to share with the New Jersey FFA Alumni Association, the New Jersey FFA Foundation, and the NJAAE.

**Motion by Delaney Gray** to share an eighth page advertisement with the other organizations for \$456.66. She encourages board members seek out additional sponsorship.

**Seconded Kyle Fisher. Motion passes.**

**F. Agriculture/Agricultural Education Issues Discussion**

Methane gas produced from dairy cattle have caused explosions recently. Hydrogen sulfide, however, is actually most dangerous regarding cow manure. If stored incorrectly, manure can be highly dangerous to those working with it. (Michigan State study)

**G. State Officer Mileage**

The state officer mileage report is provided in our folders.

**H. Assembly Resolution 145**

Assemblyman Ronald Dancer of the 12<sup>th</sup> district is proposing Resolution 145, which provides funds for FFA chapters and high schools that offer agricultural education programs. The state officers are encouraged to contact legislators to ask them to support this resolution and eventually turn it into a state law.

**XIII. Closing Ceremonies**

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

New Jersey FFA Treasurer's Report  
June 2014

BEGINNING BALANCE: June 1, 2014

\$37,533.35

<b>Deposits:</b>					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project#</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 49,298.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 819.00	\$ 3,801.00
	3	General Supplies	\$ 5,367.30	\$ -	\$ 361.55
	4	State Officers	\$ 1,015.00	\$ -	\$ 117.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 18,170.00	\$ -	\$ 20,033.60
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 59,350.00	\$ 42,710.10	\$ 66,222.05
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,825.00	\$ 1,203.00	\$ 5,886.40
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 5,675.00	\$ -	\$ 650.00
	9	National Leadership Conf.			
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 6,250.00	\$ -	\$ 4,370.89
		Total Deposits	\$ 144,335.00	\$ 47,932.10	\$ 198,672.59

**Expenses:**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Project #</i>	<i>Expense Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Expense</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 13,880.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,854.20	\$ 1,341.00	\$ 5,850.00
	3	General Supplies	\$ 5,267.30	\$ 13.00	\$ 5,671.30
	4	State Officers	\$ 9,694.50	\$ 4,272.72	\$ 8,949.83
	5	LEAD	\$ 21,353.00		\$ 25,877.42
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 64,494.00	\$ 9,296.94	\$ 71,442.50
	7	National Convention	\$ 6,856.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 9,685.04
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 7,710.00		\$ 5,488.31
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,125.00		\$ 2,125.00
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 7,581.00		\$ 4,686.32
		Total Expenses	\$ 144,335.00	\$ 17,708.66	\$ 171,364.38

Ending Balance: June 30, 2014

\$67,756.79

FY14  
FFA Deposits

<i>Proj #</i>	<i>Pavor</i>	<i>CK#</i>	<i>Amount Deposit</i>	<i>Yearly Total</i>
	<b>June</b>			
1	Freehold Reg High School	433204	\$ 2,550.00	
				\$ 2,550.00
2	Cumberland Regional School	8371	\$ 72.00	
	Bryan Leh	1208	\$ 36.00	
	Irene Bellott	424	\$ 9.00	
	Hackettstown Bd of Ed	050048	\$ 72.00	
				\$ 189.00
6	T-shirt sale	cash	\$ 100.00	
	Monmouth Co Career Center	1261	\$ 2,250.00	
	Somerset Co Voc & Tech School	5008	\$ 261.80	
	Ocean Co Voc School	28636	\$ 1,114.00	
	Penns Grove Carneys Point	64930	\$ 1,656.00	
	Camden County Tech	5255	\$ 300.00	
	Camden County Tech Schools	178592	\$ 3,560.00	
	Nancy J. Trivette	4078	\$ 300.00	
	Essex Co Voc Schools	73487	\$ 975.00	
	Newton High School	5847	\$ 1,800.00	
	The Calais School	1591	\$ 212.80	
	Hackettstown Public School	008911	\$ 700.00	
	Hackettstown Bd of Ed	050107	\$ 1,781.00	
	Salem Co Bd	1448	\$ 2,647.00	
	Alientown High School	1045	\$ 5,255.00	
				\$ 22,912.60
			\$ 25,651.60	
				\$ 128,459.99



FY14  
FFA Deposits

<i>Proj #</i>	<i>Payor</i>	<i>CK#</i>	<i>Amount Deposit</i>	<i>Yearly Total</i>
<b>June Supplemental</b>				
1	North Warren	2323	\$ 650.00	
				\$ 650.00
2	Monmouth County Vocational Schools	1918	\$ 243.00	
	Newton Bd of Education	40251	\$ 387.00	
				\$ 630.00
6	Monmouth County Bd of Ed	87753	\$ 2,250.00	
	Union Co. Voc. School	325582	\$ 921.50	
	Cumberland Reg.	8480	\$ 4,500.00	
	NJ Farm Bureau	3266	\$ 25.00	
	Pee Jay's Fresh Fruit	15244	\$ 25.00	
	NJ Ag Society	6280	\$ 25.00	
	Cape May Bd of Education	22480	\$ 4,800.00	
	Freehold Twp High School	14193	\$ 4,240.00	
	N.Burlington County	12228	\$ 156.00	
	Middlesex-Piscataway	2028	\$ 600.00	
	Cumberland Reg.	31157	\$ 99.00	
	North Warren	2323	\$ 1,106.00	
	Newton Bd of Education	40251	\$ 1,050.00	
				\$ 19,797.50
7	North Warren	2323	\$ 1,103.00	
	Bryan Leh- Nat. conv. Room deposit	3395	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,203.00
			\$ 22,280.50	\$ 22,280.50
				\$ 150,740.49

<b>New Jersey FFA Expenditures for FY 2014</b>				
<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Order #'s</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>Dues/Memberships (P1)</b>				
11/20/13	National FFA - Affiliation Fee	MEM 144063	\$ 13,310.00	
06/02/14	National FFA - Membership		\$ 285.00	
<b>CDEs (P2)</b>				
10/16/13	BIGE - CDE's 7 teams		\$ 70.00	\$ 13,595.00
10/18/13	Rutgers-University Inn & Conference Ctr.	PO7875083	\$ 1,600.00	
11/14/13	Ewell Educational Service- Scranton Cards		\$ 370.00	
01/28/14	Rutgers Gardens - Deposit		\$ 300.00	
02/07/14	Rutgers-MPR's 11/14/13		\$ 115.00	
04/17/14	Bank of America-Log Cabin fee		\$ 275.00	
05/30/14	Ewell Educational Service- Scranton Cards		\$ 236.00	
06/05/14	Rutgers Univ.Rental of rooms for Spring CDE		\$ 1,341.00	
<b>General Supplies (P3)</b>				
				\$ 4,307.00
09/05/13	Selective Insurance		\$ 625.00	
11/20/13	National FFA - Hunterdon Polytech Gavel	OE-694652	\$ 24.50	
11/25/13	Vista Print Holiday Cards		\$ 130.04	
12/12/13	First Coast Promo- Mugs		\$ 653.50	
12/12/13	National FFA- Manuals		\$ 990.00	
01/10/14	Vista Print Wall Calendars		\$ 1,477.76	
04/09/14	National FFA- Student packs for 360 Training		\$ 1,450.00	
04/09/14	National - FFA week supplies		\$ 294.50	
06/02/14	Rutgers Conference Center-Photocopy		\$ 13.00	
<b>State Officers (P4)</b>				
				\$ 5,658.30
09/19/13	AAA Membership	Pcard	\$ 456.00	
09/19/13	Lands End - True Blue Polo's for SO	Pcard	\$ 150.55	
11/20/13	National FFA - SPC parking costs	SPC-970	\$ 253.70	
11/20/13	National FFA SO's jackets	OE679830	\$ 464.00	
12/05/13	K.Clement mileage		\$ 897.70	
12/05/13	D.Gray mileage		\$ 180.87	
12/05/13	K.Gangel mileage		\$ 90.76	
12/05/13	K.Dowd mileage		\$ 102.76	
12/05/13	C.Cincotta mileage		\$ 186.30	
12/05/13	D.Watts mileage		\$ 451.70	
12/05/13	S.Faunce mileage		\$ 244.23	
12/05/13	E.Arians mileage		\$ 140.07	
12/05/13	L.Fillebrown mileage		\$ 265.42	
01/25/14	Peter's Pizza & Deli-SOCS		\$ 119.11	
03/13/14	Veg Grower Assoc of NJ-SO Delegate Dinner		\$ 420.00	
06/03/14	Vista Print SO Business Cards		\$ 203.94	
04/28/14	Catherine Cincotta-Parking ticket		\$ 50.00	
06/16/14	National FFA- 2 SPC registrations		\$ 646.00	
06/18/14	Nottingham Ins.		\$ 55.00	
06/18/14	Ernest Arians		\$ 387.31	
06/18/14	Lauren Fillebrown		\$ 40.52	
06/18/14	Cathrine Cincotta		\$ 213.84	
06/18/14	Kyle Clement		\$ 626.43	
06/18/14	Kristianne Dowd		\$ 200.60	
06/18/14	Stuart Faunce		\$ 512.66	
06/18/14	Kelly Gangel		\$ 81.03	
06/18/14	David Watts		\$ 367.80	
06/16/14	Lands End - True Blue Polo's for SO		\$ 207.70	
06/16/14	Lands End - shirts for SO		\$ 650.10	
06/05/14	Walmart - usb keys		\$ 69.78	
				\$ 7,818.30
<b>Leadership Experience and Development (P5)</b>				
09/16/13	Partycrashers - DJ		\$ 250.00	
10/16/13	E.Arians - Dairy & Veggie Products	U15659	\$ 79.53	
10/24/13	Jamesburg Hospitality-Crowne Plaza	PO7678645	\$ 23,857.75	
11/20/13	First Coast Promo - t-shirts	PO7889923	\$ 1,558.14	
11/20/13	National FFA-Awards	OE-687259	\$ 132.00	
				\$ 25,877.42
<b>State Convention (6)</b>				
10/09/13	Rutgers University 2013 State Convention	U1 5627	\$ 55,755.90	
03/05/14	Partycrashers - DJ		\$ 325.00	
05/27/14	Eric Nelson- nom com supplies		\$ 148.72	
05/27/14	Alison Mains - Stage Flowers		\$ 100.00	
06/04/14	First Coast Promo-Pins/t-shirts		\$ 3,156.19	
06/11/14	National FFA-awards plaques	OE 725070	\$ 2,219.75	
06/11/14	National FFA-Honorary plaques	OE723857	\$ 440.00	
06/17/14	Sir Speedy- printed programs		\$ 1,481.00	
06/09/14	NJ FFA Foundation, Inc.		\$ 2,000.00	
				\$ 63,626.56
<b>National Convention (p7)</b>				
10/10/13	Citibank - SO's airfare to Louisville, KY	u15636	\$ 1,736.60	
11/20/13	National FFA - SO's registraton	CONV-REG 40103	\$ 315.00	
12/18/13	Crowne Plaza- SO's hotel		\$ 1,953.06	
01/16/13	Service America-Centerplate, NJ Bkfst	PO7911241	\$ 1,929.95	
01/27/14	Markey's Audio Visual - Podium & Mic		\$ 92.50	
04/09/14	Nat off candidate housing	CONV 542	\$ 368.00	

04/02/14	Norco Awards		\$ 789.93	
06/18/14	National FFA - Housing Deposit 2014		\$ 2,500.00	
				\$ 9,665.04
	<b>Hort Expo (p8)</b>			
02/25/14	National FFA - Hort Plaques	OE715752	\$ 1,165.50	
03/03/14	Staats - Ribbons		\$ 200.98	
03/20/14	Preferred Party Rentals - tables		\$ 2,825.00	
03/20/14	Zieger & Sons Flowers, supplies		\$ 1,296.83	
				\$ 5,488.31
	<b>Leadership Event (10)</b>			
04/17/14	The College of NJ - ALD		\$ 4,686.32	
				\$4,686.32
	<b>National Leadership Conference (P9)</b>			
11/20/13	Maryland FFA Association		\$ 2,125.00	
				\$ 2,125.00
	Grand Total		\$145,794.84	\$142,867.25