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New Jersey FFA “Soar to New Heights”

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

FROM: Ernest Arians, State FFA President
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist
Mrs. Nancy J. Trivette, State FFA Advisor

DATE: December 18, 2012

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting
Monday, January 14, 2013 – 9:00 a.m.
1st Floor NJDA Auditorium, Trenton, NJ

- 9:00-11:30 am – State FFA Association Meeting
- 11:30 am – 12:30 PM- Lunch
- 12:30-4:30 pm- State Convention Planning

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 Mosehera-Chernigovets will fill the Teacher Representative on the Executive Board, and will have voting power at each meeting in 2012-2013

AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY STATE MEETING

I. Opening Ceremonies

II. Minutes from the December State Meeting

III. Treasurer's Report

IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance

V. Committee Assignments

- A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities – Ernie Arians
- B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Anne Poinsett
- C. State Leadership Activities – Lauren Fillebrown
- D. State Applications – Gaspar Hernandez
- E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Kyle Clement
- F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Delaney Gray
- G. State Convention Evaluation – Joe Goodenough

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. Executive Committee Report** – James Ferguson
- VII. Foundation Report** – Delaney Gray
- VIII. Alumni Report** – Anne Poinsett
- IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report** – Ernie Arians
- X. Unfinished Business**
 - A. 2013 Calendars (December 17, 2012) – Jimmie Ferguson
 - B. Holiday Party (December 17, 2012) – Lauren Fillebrown
 - C. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers (January 4-12, 2013) – Kyle Clement
 - D. Banquet Speech Workshop (January 18, 2013) – Joe Goodenough
 - E. State Officer Candidates' School (January 26, 2013) – Gaspar Hernandez
 - F. State Agriculture Convention (February 6-7, 2013) – Ernest Arians
 - G. National FFA Week
 - a. ALLD (February 28, 2013) – Joe Goodenough
 - b. Chapter Events – Kyle Clement
 - H. Fuel Up Retreat (February 28 – March 3, 2013) – Gaspar Hernandez
 - I. Horticulture Exposition/ Floral Design CDE (March 15-17, 2013) – Delaney Gray
 - J. National Ag Day (March 17-19, 2013) – Delaney Gray
 - K. Ceremony Practice Schedule – Lauren Fillebrown
 - L. Chapter Visits – Kyle Clement
 - M. Team Goal Action Plan – Joe Goodenough
- XI. New Business**
 - A. Potential State Officers – Gaspar Hernandez
 - B. Retiring Address – Jimmie Ferguson
 - C. Statewide Community Service Project – Lauren Fillebrown
 - D. American FFA Degree Workshop – Ernie Arians
 - E. Agriculture/Education Issues Discussion – Kyle Clement
 - F. Member of the Month – Jimmie Ferguson
 - G. State Officer Mileage
- XII. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting – February 4, 2013
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Auditorium.
4:00 p.m.*

NJ FFA Association
Minutes of the December 3er, 2012 State Meeting

I. Opening Ceremonies

Ernie Arians called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM. Voting members in attendance were Anne Poinsett, Kyle Clement, Gaspar Hernandez IV, Delaney Gray, Lauren Fillebrown, Joseph Goodenough, Jimmie Ferguson, Samuel Rubinstein, Stephanie Tarlowe (phone conference) and Ms. Mosehera-Chernigovets; teacher representative. State Staff in attendance was Mrs. Noble. Guests in attendance were Kristianne Dowd, Cathrine Cincotta, Matt Manning, and Jackiie Driskill.

II. Minutes from the August State Meeting

Motion by Delaney Gray to accept the minutes as read.

Gaspar Hernandez seconds. Motion passes.

III. Treasurer's Report

Motion by Gaspar Hernandez to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

Motion passes pending audit.

IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance

Jackiie from East Brunswick FFA thanked Kyle and Gaspar for attending their Thanksgiving dinner. Matt, also from East Brunswick, is enjoying his first state meeting. Catherine is excited about finishing the POA for the Northern Burlington chapter, and Kristianne is currently planning an advisory board for the Freehold chapter.

Anne Poinsett assumes the duties of the chair.

V. Committee Assignments.

A. Constitution, Bylaws, and Program of Activities

The committee recommends accepting all the changes related to the Program of Affiliation detailed in a word document provided to the executive board.

Motion by Ernie Arians to accept the Constitution, Bylaws, and Program of Activities committee report.

There is an implied second. Motion passes.

Motion by Ernie Arians to accept the changes to the Constitution, bylaws and POA.

Seconded by Sam Rubenstein. Motion passes.

B. Membership and Chapter Relations

No report

C. State Leadership Activities

No report

D. State Applications.

No report.

E. Career Development Evaluation and Review

No report.

F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review

No report.

G. State Convention Evaluation

No report, but the next meeting is on December 12 at 6 pm via phone call.

Ernie reassumes the duties of the chair.

VI. Executive Committee Report

Jimmie gave the State Officers a few reminders for the rest of their year which include: do your part, be on time, ask for help, take notes, and to remember their commitments to FFA and agricultural education.

VII. Foundation Report.

No report. The next meeting is January 8. Delaney will attend in Kyle's place since he will be in Argentina.

VIII. Alumni Report

The next meeting will be on December 12 via webinar.

IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

No report.

X. Unfinished Business

A. New Jersey Farm Bureau Convention (November 12-13, 2012)

Ernie addressed the delegates at the Annual Meeting of the New Jersey FFA Farm Bureau.

B. Fall Career Development Events (November 15, 2012)

Congratulations to the following first place CDE teams: Land Judging, Allentown; Turf Management, Monmouth County Vocational; Milk Quality and Products, Woodstown; and Fruits and Vegetable ID, BCIT-Westampton.

C. Turkey Trot FFA 5K (November 17, 2012)

It was a great day to run, walk, or jog for the New Jersey FFA! About 50 people and pets came to support the association on a beautiful fall morning! The board discussed ways we can get more members to attend. Some of our guests suggested a later starting time, scheduling around SAT's, and offering incentives for the chapter who

brings the most participants. We're looking forward to the Bunny Hop in the spring!

D. 212 Conference (December 1, 2012)

National trainers, Jessica Vasquez and Zach Wakeman, facilitated NJ FFA's first 212^o Conference. Over 100 members attended the conference where we learned about virtues and made great relationships! The State Officers enjoyed participating with the members and Ms. Mosehera-Chernigovets said that her new members loved the experience. We hope to continue holding this event!

E. 2013 Calendars (December 17, 2012)

Calendar Deliver has been postponed to December 17. State Officers who are handing them out should meet at the Department of Agriculture at 1pm in official dress.

F. Holiday Party (December 17, 2012)

The Holiday Party will be at Mrs. Trivette's house on Monday, December 17 following the work session. Each officer is asked to bring a dessert or side item. The officers will participate in a Secret Santa with the team.

G. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers (January 4-12, 2013)

Both Annie and Kyle have met their fundraising goals for ILSSO! They are both excited and grateful for this international experience! Annie, Kyle, and Mrs. Noble are Argentina bound!

H. Banquet Speech Workshop (January 18, 2013)

Parents and FFA Advisors are invited to the Banquet Speech Workshop on January 18 at the EcoComplex. State Officers will practice their speeches in a professional setting in front of parents, advisors, and alumni. This experience will prepare them for delivering their banquet speeches and their retiring addresses.

I. State Officer Candidate School (January 26, 2013)

State Officer Candidate School is a fantastic way to learn more about running for State Office and serving on the Nominating Committee. State Officers and Executive Committee will presenting "FFA Hollywood" themed workshops about what State Office is, the eight officer competencies, and the Nominating Committee process. The conference will run from 9 am - 3:30 pm at the Department of Agriculture building.

J. State Agriculture Convention (February 6-7, 2013)

The State Agriculture Convention will be held at the Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City. Anne will be attending as the Alumni Delegate and Ernie is invited to speak. There will be an Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting, youth reception, and delegate dinner that Lauren, Ernie, Sam, Jimmie, Annie, and Kyle will attend on Wednesday, February 6.

Motion by Anne Poinsett to approve sending Lauren, Ernie, Sam, Jimmie, Annie, and

Kyle to the delegate dinner.

Seconded by Kyle. Motion passes.

K. Horticulture Exposition/Floral Design CDE (March 15-17, 2013)

The Horticultural Exposition will be held during March 15-17. The Floral Design CDE will take place on Friday, March 15. The State Officers look forward to seeing the beautiful creations while there on Friday and later that weekend.

L. Chapter Visits

There are still a few chapter visits that need to be scheduled. It is extremely important that state officers follow up with advisors and schedule the last of the visits.

M. Team Goal Action Plan

The State Officers invite all of our members to get involved in our social media focus for FFA Week! We also discussed the steps we're going to take to complete the State Officer Challenge by February 1.

XI. New Business

A. Christmas Tree Cutting Event (November 26, 2012)

On Monday November 26, Lauren visited the Wycoff Christmas Tree Farm with the Belvidere chapter. The tree farm is donating trees to people who could not afford them in New Jersey. The Phillipsburg chapter will help deliver them.

B. National FFA Week

a. ALLD

Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day will be on Thursday, February 28 at the Brower Student Center at The College of New Jersey. This year's theme is "Domestic Agriculture: Issues that Affect US." ALLD will be a day full of fun workshops about agricultural issues, the legislative process, and telling your story! Chapter presidents will have the opportunity to tour the State House and visit with the NJ Farm Bureau with Ernie and Mrs. Noble.

b. Chapter Events

The NJ FFA Association is focusing on social media this year and hopes to have members from across the state participate by posting photos to Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and using a hashtag to tell the world about how New Jersey celebrates FFA week! There will be a video made of those photos at the end of the week and some lucky FFA members will have their photos posted on the state website!

C. Fuel Up Retreat

On February 28 – March 3 the state officers will head out to the Poconos for team bonding and to plan for state convention. Everything from script

development to video creation will take place.

D. National Ag Day (March 17-19, 2013)

On March 17-19 the several state officers have the opportunity to go to Washington DC to learn about advocacy, agricultural issues, how to make a difference, and meet with our legislators. They will stay at the National 4H Center with other FFA members, 4H members, and members from other agricultural organizations. Mrs. Noble will submit the names of all interested individuals.

E. Ceremony Practice Schedule

State Officers should have the Honorary Degree Ceremony memorized on December 17. State Degree is January. Installation is February. Blue Jackets is March.

F. Agricultural/Education Issues Discussion

Due to time restraints, the Ag Issues discussion was postponed until the January meeting.

G. Member of the Month

Motion by Jimmie Ferguson to make Kristianne Dowd of the Freehold FFA Chapter December's member of the month!

Second by Anne Poinsett. Motion passes.

H. State Officer Mileage

December's mileage will be due on January 14th

XII. Closing

XIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM .

New Jersey FFA Treasurer's Report
October 2012

BEGINNING BALANCE: October 1, 2012

\$20,274.95

Deposits:					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project#</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 47,017.00	\$ 4,501.00	\$ 1,500.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 148.00
	3	General Supplies		\$ 270.00	\$ 270.00
	4	State Officers	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 15,625.00	\$ 9,204.15	\$ 9,204.15
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 60,850.00	\$ 3,983.00	\$ 7,709.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,735.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 400.00
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 4,800.00		
	9	National Leadership Conf.		\$ 5,851.74	\$ 4,006.13
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 5,000.00		
		Total Deposits	\$ 141,092.00	\$ 24,194.89	\$ 23,327.28

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	\$ 14,845.00		
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,179.00		
	3	General Supplies	\$ 3,208.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 731.00
	4	State Officers	\$ 10,749.91	\$ 317.00	\$ 1,388.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 18,031.00	\$ 1,128.73	\$ 1,428.73
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 66,317.73		
	7	National Convention	\$ 7,511.00	\$ 1,549.61	\$ 3,092.61
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 7,314.00		
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,920.36		\$ 16,719.95
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 6,016.00		
		Total Expenses	\$ 141,092.00	\$ 3,085.34	\$ 23,360.29

Ending Balance: October 31, 2012

\$41,384.50

New Jersey FFA Treasurer's Report
November 2012

BEGINNING BALANCE: November 1, 2012

\$41,384.50

Deposits:					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project#</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 47,017.00	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 15,100.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 252.00	\$ 400.00
	3	General Supplies			\$ 270.00
	4	State Officers	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 108.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 15,625.00	\$ 2,270.75	\$ 11,474.90
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 60,850.00		\$ 7,709.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,735.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 650.00
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 244.00	\$ 488.00
	9	National Leadership Conf.			\$ 4,006.13
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 5,000.00		
		Total Deposits	\$ 141,092.00	\$ 16,634.75	\$ 40,206.03
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	2	CDE's	\$ 4,179.00		
	3	General Supplies	\$ 3,208.00		\$ 731.00
	4	State Officers	\$ 10,749.91		\$ 1,388.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 18,031.00	\$ 17,182.97	\$ 18,611.70
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 66,317.73		
	7	National Convention	\$ 7,511.00		\$ 3,876.61
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 7,314.00		
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,920.36		\$ 16,719.95
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 6,016.00	\$ 1,225.00	\$ 1,225.00
		Total Expenses	\$ 141,092.00	\$ 18,407.97	\$ 42,552.26

Ending Balance: November 30, 2012

\$39,611.28

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FFA Deposits**

<i>Proj #</i>	<i>Payor</i>	<i>CK#</i>	<i>Amount Deposit</i>	<i>Yearly Total</i>
October				
1	Gloucester Co Special Services	106456	\$ 300.00	
	Camden Co. Tech Schools	4845	\$ 900.00	
	Sussex	22506	\$ 550.00	
	Monmouth Co Career Center	0872	\$ 1,550.00	
	Woodstown	5448	\$ 1.00	
	BCIT Westampton	86223	\$ 1,200.00	
				\$ 4,501.00
2	Woodstown	5404	\$ 9.00	
	Woodstown	5448	\$ 36.00	
				\$ 45.00
3	BCIT Westampton (This needs to go to NJA	86223	\$ 270.00	
				\$ 270.00
4	National FFA Foundation - SPC	175778	\$ 90.00	
				\$ 90.00
5	Woodstown	5419	\$ 2,128.60	
	Penns Grove High School	0798	\$ 640.88	
	Northern Burlington	9457	\$ 1,310.88	
	Salem	1279	\$ 575.44	
	Warren Hills Reg. School	018592	\$ 1,929.17	
	Somerset Co Voc. & Tech	2107	\$ 346.58	
	BCIT - Westampton	86223	\$ 1,428.60	
	Salem	1273	\$ 844.00	
				\$ 9,204.15
6	Woodstown	5447	\$ 2,723.00	
	Salem	1273	\$ 1,260.00	
				\$ 3,983.00
7	Woodstown	5448	\$ 100.00	
	Ocean	22520	\$ 150.00	
				\$ 250.00
9	National FFA Foundation	175404	\$ 3,483.70	
	Maryland FFA Association	1071	\$ 2,368.04	
				\$ 5,851.74
			\$ 24,194.89	\$ 62,391.08
November				
1	Phillipsburg Board of Education	1116122	\$ 3,150.00	
	Northern Burlington Co.Reg School	35864	\$ 4,550.00	
	BCIT Westampton	86490	\$ 600.00	
	Woodstown	5418	\$ 1,550.00	
	Warren Hills Reg.	18668	\$ 1,200.00	
	Freehold	418608	\$ 2,550.00	
				\$ 13,600.00
2	BCIT West Ag Science & Tech	3587	\$ 36.00	
	Monmouth Co Voc School	1687	\$ 36.00	
	Bryan Leh	1167	\$ 108.00	
	Gloucester Co Special Services	106717	\$ 36.00	
	Warren Hills Reg	18683	\$ 36.00	
				\$ 252.00
4	Phillipsburg	1288	\$ 18.00	
				\$ 18.00
5	Upper Freehold Reg. School	56982	\$ 1,983.60	
	Sussex Co Voc school	4633	\$ 287.15	
				\$ 2,270.75
7	Phillipsburg	1289	\$ 250.00	
				\$ 250.00
8	Phillipsburg	1288	\$ 244.00	
				\$ 244.00
			\$ 16,634.75	\$ 79,025.83

