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New Jersey FFA **“Imagine. Inspire. Impact.”**

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

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

DATE: August 21, 2009

RE: State FFA Association Executive Board Meeting **Monday, September 14, 2009, 4:00 PM**
1st Floor NJDA Boardroom, Trenton, NJ

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. Mr. David Pedo, Teacher Representative to the Executive Board, will have voting power at each meeting in 2009-2010.

AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER STATE MEETING

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the August State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer's Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
 - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities – Hanna Toft
 - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Allison Karr
 - C. State Leadership Activities/State Convention - Brianne Scholl
 - D. State Applications – Skylar Matthews
 - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Eric Nelson
 - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Jessica Voll

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** – Keely Weinberger
- VII. Foundation Report** – Brianne Scholl
- VIII. Alumni Report** – Allison Karr
- IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report** – Hanna Toft
- X. Unfinished Business**
 - A. ILSSO (January 3-15, 2009) – Skylar Matthews
 - B. Eastern States/Big E (September 18-20, 2009) – Eric Nelson
 - C. Leadership Experience and Development Conference
 - a. Chapter Officer Leadership Conference – Brianne Scholl
 - b. Timeline of Materials- Alison Karr
 - c. State Greenhand Conference – Keely Weinberger
 - D. National FFA Convention (October 18-24, 2009)
 - a. Flag Bearer – Jessica Voll
 - b. Delegates – Brianne Scholl
 - c. State Booth – Allison Karr
 - d. Recognition Program – Eric Nelson
 - E. Calendar of Events – Skylar Matthews
 - F. Chapter Visits – Allison Karr
 - G. Association/Team Goals Update
- XI. New Business**
 - A. Fall Career Development Events (November 12, 2009) – Jess Voll
 - B. Fall Ag Ed Conference – Brianne Scholl
 - C. Member of the Month
 - D. State Officer Mileage
- XII. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting - Monday, October 5, 2009
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Boardroom
4:00 p.m.*

NJ FFA Association

Minutes of August 3, 2009

I. Opening Ceremonies

Hanna Toft called the meeting to order at 10:23 am. Voting members in attendance were Brianne Scholl, Jessica Voll, Eric Nelson, Allison Karr, Annaliese Gancarz and Keely Weinberger. In addition, Mrs. Erin Noble and Mrs. Nancy Trivette were in attendance. One guest was also in attendance.

II. Minutes from the July State Meeting

Motion by Jessica Voll that the secretary's report be accepted as read.

Seconded by Brianne Scholl. Motion passes.

III. Treasurer's Report

Eric Nelson gave the Treasurer's Report.

Motion by Eric Nelson to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit.

Motion passes pending audit.

Motion by Eric Nelson to accept the New Jersey FFA Association Budget Proposal.

Seconded by Allison Karr. Motion passes.

Motion by Eric Nelson to accept the Foundation Budget Proposal.

Seconded by Jessica Voll. Motion passes.

IV. Guest Introduction and Attendance

Brian Duecy is the new advisor from South Hunterdon. He joined us at the August State Meeting to learn a little more about what goes on at our meetings and what FFA is all about. Mr. Pede was absent from the August State Meeting.

Motion by Eric Nelson to give Mark Boyko an excused absence from the August State Meeting.

Motion seconded by Jessica Voll. Motion passes.

Motion by Brianne to give Gabby Ritzer an unexcused absence from the August State Meeting .

Motion seconded by Brianne Scholl. Motion passes.

Motion by Allison Karr to give Skylar Matthews an excused absence from the August State Meeting

Motion seconded by Annaliese Gancarz. Motion passes.

Brianne assumes the duties of the chair

V. Committee Assignments

A. Constitution, Bylaws, & Program of Activities

The first meeting was held on July 6, 2009. They went over the POA and Constitution/By-Laws. The committee took into account the recommended actions to follow through with the state POA. At the next meeting they will look into changing the State POA to be like the chapter form.

Motion by Hanna Toft to accept the Constitution, Bylaws, and Program of Activities report.

There is an implied second. Motion passes.

B. Membership & Chapter Relations

The first meeting was held on July 6, 2009. The committee discussed the chapters that had their charters revoked as well as the ones that are on one-year probation. As a group, they went through each of the assigned chapter visits and picked the chapters that need to be visited first.

Motion by Jessica Voll to accept the Membership and Chapter Relations report.
There is an implied second. Motion passes.

C. State Leadership Activities and State Convention

Motion by Eric Nelson to accept the State Leadership Activities and State Convention report.

There is an implied second. Motion passes.

D. State Applications

The first meeting was held on July 6, 2009 and they discussed the recommendations from the previous state convention. They are looking into having a webinar workshop on how to apply for state degree, re-organize state activity guide, review current due dates for applications and do some re-organizing to spread some of the due dates out. Also, they discussed possibly having the 8,000 hour challenge application due on Earth Day.

Motion by Hanna Toft accept the State Applications report.
There is an implied second. Motion passes.

E. Career Development Evaluation and Review

The first meeting was held on July 6, 2009. The committee decided that they need to determine the direction of this committee and where it can go. They looked at the suggestions from the committee meeting at the State FFA convention and determined whether or not they are feasible and if they are. They are going to look further into all CDEs that are currently offered by National FFA that are not offered in the state of NJ for online possibilities. They would like to add additional feedback options to the evaluation sheets to give options to make the evaluation sheets more specific to their respective competition. These can include evaluation on equipment, preparation, expectation, among other options. Also, open up the possibilities for judges involved in competition to give their feedback to NJ FFA members when the State Association and the judges see it is appropriate.

Motion by Eric Nelson accept the Career Development Evaluation and Review report.

There is an implied second. Motion passes.

F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review

The first meeting was held on July 6, 2009. They reviewed the suggestions that were given at the State FFA Convention. They decided that instead of the Hort. Expo Courtesy Corps, there will be a sign-up sheet if people would like to help. Also, the group discussed the Bonsai category, which will be further discussed at the next meeting. Furthermore, some of the descriptions of the categories are going to be looked at and possibly changed.

Motion by Jessica Voll to accept the Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review report.

There is an implied second. Motion passes.

Hanna re-assumes the duties of the chair.

VI. Executive Report

Keely reminded the state officers that the executive committee gives their support and can not wait to be a great help for the year.

VII. Foundation Report

The last meeting was held on July 14, 2009 at 6:00pm. Brianne Scholl and Annaliese Gancarz attended the NJ FFA Foundation meeting. The Board discussed places and ways to raise money. A large portion of the conversation stemmed around holding a sponsor meal function in hopes of gaining new sponsors.

VIII. Alumni Report

The next meeting is August 12 at 6:00 pm at the NJDA.

IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

Hanna Toft will be going to the Agricultural Education Advisory Council meetings and the next meeting will be in November.

X. Unfinished Business

A. Summer CDE Results

The Allentown FFA Chapter placed 1st in the Poultry Judging CDE. Northern Burlington placed 1st in the Horse Judging CDE. Paige McMahon from the Cumberland Regional FFA Chapter placed first in the Dairy Handlers CDE. All first place teams will compete at the National FFA Convention in October. Summer CDEs were held at the Delaware State Fair.

B. National Leadership Conference for State Officers

The team will be meeting at Mrs. Noble's house at 2:30 pm to leave for Gettysburg, PA to attend the National Leadership Conference for State Officers. This conference is put on by two National FFA Officers. This gives state officers a chance to grow as a team, as a person, and to meet new people from surrounding states. It is also the time where the team begins the planning process for Leadership Experience and Development.

C. State Presidents Conference

Hanna Toft, Brianne Scholl and Mrs. Noble attended the State Presidents Conference. Each state sends the president and one other officer to the conference to get trained for the delegate process. They attended sessions and had the chance to tour Washington D.C.

D. National Convention

a. Flag Bearer

Jessica Voll will be the Flag Bearer this year at National Convention. The Flag bearer carries the NJ State Flag at all scheduled functions.

b. Delegates

Hanna Toft, Brianne Scholl, Jessica Voll and Allison Karr are serving as delegates. There are a total of six committees. The third delegate will serve on the Program Affiliation committee and Allison as the alternate.

Motion by Eric Nelson that Jessica Voll Serve on the Program Affiliation delegate issue at National Convention.

Seconded by Brianne Scholl. **Motion passes.**

c. State Booth

Allison Karr is in charge of the NJ State Booth which showcases our agriculture and FFA in our state. Also, Allison will be working with the scholarship recipient at the booth.

d. State Suite

Skylar Matthews is in charge of the State Headquarters. He will meet and greet individuals that come into the headquarters.

e. Recognition Program

Eric Nelson will put together the recognition program for the state breakfast. The breakfast is open to NJ participants and is held on Wednesday morning at the Hyatt. Every officer will take part in the program.

Motion by Annaliese Gancarz to recess until 2:45pm.

Seconded by Allison Karr. **Motion passes.**

E. State Theme T-shirt and Gift

The team decided on water bottles that are silver with the star. Also, the t-shirts are blue tie-dye.

Motion by Eric Nelson to have the water bottle as our thank you gift.

Seconded by Allison Karr. **Motion passes.**

Motion by Eric Nelson that the blue tie-dye shirt as our State theme t-shirt.

Seconded by Allison Karr. **Motion passes.**

F. Eastern States Exposition

People from the eastern region can compete at the Big E after they have won on the State Level. There are a limited number of chapters participating this year due to budget cuts.

G. Team Goal Action Plan

The team members e-mailed their goal action plans to Jessica. She reviewed them and e-mailed the finished copies to Mrs. Noble. These goals are the 2009-2010 State Officers team goals for the year. Everyone received a copy to store in their planners.

XI. New Business

A. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers

ILSSO will travel to China again this year. The application is due September 1, 2009. State Officers and past state officers can receive donations and get sponsored if you would like to go. It is a great learning experience and if you are interested in attending this event please let Mrs. Noble know as soon as possible.

B. Leadership Experience and Development Conference

a. Cost Analysis

The proposed cost for COLT this year is \$104, which is cheaper than last year.

Motion by Allison Karr to make LEAD \$104 per person.

Seconded by Brianne Scholl. **Motion passes.**

b. Chapter Officer Leadership Conference

The state officers will begin planning COLT at NLCSO.

c. Timeline

This will be discussed at the National Leadership Conference for State Officers.

d. State Greenhand Conference

This year it is at Camp Mason and the executive committee and Alumni works on this conference. Keely will take the lead on the planning of this conference.

C. Chapter Visits

State Officers were assigned 5-6 chapters to visit throughout the year. One visit needs to be completed by October. A sample chapter visit will be presented at the August State meeting for feedback.

D. Calendar of Events

All of the state officers should become familiar with the dates in the calendar of events. Each officer received a planner sized calendar that they can carry with them. These dates are 90% correct, so reference this packet if you have any questions.

E. State Officer Mileage.

Keep getting your mileage in!

XI. Closing Ceremonies

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:04pm.

New Jersey FFA Association
Treasurer's Report for
July 2009

BEGINNING BALANCE: July 1, 2009

\$67,849.28

Deposits:					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project#</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Dues	\$ 20,108.00	\$ 231.00	\$ 231.00
	2	Contests	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 483.00	\$ 483.00
	3	General Supplies			
	4	State Officers	\$ 225.00		
	5	LEAD	\$ 10,400.00		
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 46,575.00	\$ 15,004.25	\$ 15,004.25
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,000.00		
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 4,400.00		
	9	National Leadership Conf.			
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,375.00		
		Total Deposits	\$ 91,583.00	\$ 15,718.25	\$ 15,718.25
Expenses:					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project #</i>	<i>Expense Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Expense</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Dues 1,828 x \$5	\$ 9,140.00		
	2	Contests	\$ 403.00		
	3	General Supplies	\$ 2,401.00		
	4	State Officers	\$ 8,556.00		
	5	LEAD	\$ 11,345.00		
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 46,365.00		
	7	National Convention	\$ 5,427.00	\$ 1,730.00	\$ 3,697.00
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 3,890.00		
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 1,015.00		
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,041.00		
		Total Expenses	\$ 91,583.00	\$ 1,730.00	\$ 3,697.00

Ending Balance: July 31, 2009

\$81,837.53

New Jersey FFA Expenditures for FY 2010

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Note*</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Dues/Memberships			
	Contests			
	General Supplies			\$ -
	State Officers			\$ -
	Leadership Experience and Development			
	State Convention			
	State Convention Awards			\$ -
	National Convention			\$ -
07/07/09	National FFA - CDE registration		\$ 630.00	
07/06/09	National FFA - Lodging Room deposits		\$ 1,100.00	
	Hort Expo			\$ 1,730.00
	Leadership Event			\$ -
	National Leadership Conference			\$ -
				\$ -
	Grand Total		\$ 1,730.00	\$ 1,730.00

FY10
FFA Deposits

<i>Date Rec'd</i>	<i>Proj #</i>	<i>Payor</i>	<i>CK#</i>	<i>Amount Deposit</i>	<i>Yearly Total</i>
July					
1		Delsea Regional HS	7452	\$ 33.00	
		Bd of Ed Sussex County	17381	\$ 198.00	
					\$ 231.00
2		Woodstown Regional School District	3866	\$ 144.00	
		N.Burlington Co Reg	4634	\$ 72.00	
		Allentown HS	6631	\$ 135.00	
		Cumberland Regional School District	3941	\$ 24.00	
		Cumberland Regional School District	3868	\$ 72.00	
		N.Warren Regional Bd	26272	\$ 36.00	
					\$ 483.00
6		Northern Burlington Co. Regional	2096	\$ 747.00	
		Bd of Education Ocean Co.	11214	\$ 675.00	
		FFA Alumni Association - T-shirt sale	1223	\$ 905.25	
		cumberland Regional	3906	\$ 2,439.00	
		Freehold Regional High School	385285	\$ 2,349.00	
		BCIT - Westampton (duplicate payment)	9577337	\$ 100.00	
		State of New York (table rental at conventio	76916335	\$ 50.00	
		Woodstown Regional School District	3866	\$ 3,677.00	
		Northern Burlington Co. Regional	4634	\$ 1,434.00	
		Allentown High School	6631	\$ 2,628.00	
					\$ 15,004.25
				\$ 15,718.25	\$ 15,718.25

NJ FFA Association Budget
 FY 2010
 July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

Accepted:						
Project #	Project Name	# of Students	\$	Income	Expenses	Expense Totals
1	Dues	1828	11	\$ 20,108.00		
		1828	5		\$ 9,140.00	\$ 9,805.00
2	Contests	500	9	\$ 4,500.00		
	Fall CDE's rental of room				\$ 100.00	
	Insurance for Students 250 x .23 x 1 day				\$ 57.00	
	Spring CDE's rental of room				\$ 100.00	
	Insurance for Students 250 x .23 x 1 day				\$ 57.00	
	Summer CDE's					
	Insurance for Students 20 x .23 x 3 days				\$ 14.00	
	Dairy Foods				\$ 75.00	
						\$ 403.00
3	General Supplies					
	Holiday Photo cards				\$ 125.00	
	Scrap Book				\$ -	
	Calendars				\$ 1,400.00	
	Insurance - Liability				\$ 366.00	
	Memberships- Ag Museum, Farm Bureau, Ag Society				\$ 110.00	
	Mugs/Clocks				\$ 500.00	
						\$ 2,501.00
4	State Officers					
	Local Travel				\$ 4,500.00	
	State Presidents Conf.			\$ 90.00	\$ 665.00	
	Unofficial Official Dress				\$ 652.00	
	Insurance for SPC/Blast Off	10	7.5		\$ 75.00	
	Jackets/Business Cards				\$ 545.00	
	BLAST OFF					
	Coveys	6	52		\$ 312.00	
	Lodging				\$ 930.00	
	Meals				\$ 200.00	
	Banquet Speech W/S supplies				\$ 50.00	
	AAA membership				\$ 682.00	
	State Officer Candidate School	15	9	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00	
						\$ 8,746.00
5	Leadership Experience and Development	100	104	\$ 10,400.00		
	Facility/meals/lodging	100	104		\$ 9,380.00	
	Set Up	3	123		\$ 369.00	
	T-shirts				\$ 1,200.00	
	DJ				\$ 200.00	
	Supplies/Awards				\$ 150.00	
	Insurance for Students 100 x .23 x 2 days				\$ 46.00	
						\$ 11,345.00
6	State Convention	345	135	\$ 46,575.00		
	Facility/meals/lodging	345	100		\$ 34,500.00	
	Rental of MPR Rooms				\$ -	
	Supplies				\$ 200.00	
	Dance Refreshments				\$ 495.00	
	DJ for Dance				\$ 275.00	
	Dance Floor				\$ 900.00	
	Entertainment/Sound/lighting				\$ 1,235.00	
	Motivational Speaker				\$ 1,500.00	
	Insurance for Students 300 x .23 x 3 days				\$ 207.00	
	Ice Cream Social				\$ 325.00	
	State Awards				\$ 3,808.00	
	Printing of Programs				\$ 1,285.00	
	Convention Pins				\$ 1,635.00	
						\$ 46,365.00
7	National Convention					
	Delegates (Travel Allocation of \$90 x 3 =)			\$ 270.00	\$ -	
	Delegates Air Travel				\$ 900.00	
	NOC Room				\$ 500.00	
	SO Rooms				\$ 1,761.00	
	State Officer/Delegate Registration				\$ 280.00	
	Room Deposits			\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	
	Regional & National Fees			\$ 630.00	\$ 630.00	
	Big E- Insurance for Students 40 x .23 x 2 days				\$ 18.00	
	Career Show Booth				\$ 100.00	
	Insurance for Students 100 x .23 x 6 days				\$ 138.00	
						\$ 5,427.00
8	Hort Expo	600	4	\$ 2,400.00		
	Floral Design Registration	80	25	\$ 2,000.00		
	Flowers/tables for Floral Design				\$ 1,536.00	
	tables/tablecloths for Hort Expo				\$ 1,375.00	
	Burl. Center Mail Fee				\$ 300.00	
	Awards				\$ 500.00	
	Supplies- Ribbons				\$ 110.00	
	Floral Design					
	Insurance for Students 300 x .23 x 1 day				\$ 69.00	
						\$ 3,890.00
9	National Leadership Conf. For State Officers					
	Registration	5	145		\$ 725.00	
						\$ 725.00
10	State Legislative Leadership Activity	135	25	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 2,760.00	
	Supplies				\$ 250.00	
	Insurance for Students 135 x .23 1 day				\$ 31.00	
						\$ 3,041.00
	Totals			\$ 91,583.00	\$ 91,583.00	

**2009 New Jersey FFA Foundation Funds
to State FFA Association**

Item	Anticipated Cost:			Qty.	Total	Budget	Spent	Balance
	1st Award	2nd Award	3rd Award					
STATE CONVENTION								
State FFA Degree Charms	\$6.00			50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
National Emblem (state level) Checks:	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	1	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
Most Improved Chapter	\$100.00			1	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Job Interview Checks	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	1	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Landscape Design Event Checks	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	1	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Member of the Year Event	\$50.00			1	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
FFA Treasurer's Book Check	\$50.00			1	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
FFA Secretary's Book Check	\$50.00			1	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Extemporaneous Public Check:		\$75.00	\$50.00	1	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Creed Event Checks:		\$75.00	\$50.00	1	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Public Speaking Plaques:							\$0.00	
3-5 min	\$0.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
6-8 min	\$0.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Creed	\$0.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Extemporaneous	\$0.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Demonstration Event Checks:							\$0.00	
Team	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	1	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Individual*	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Agriscience Fair:							\$0.00	\$0.00
Team	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	1	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Individual	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	1	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Star Awards:							\$0.00	
Greenhand	\$50.00			1	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Chapter Farmer	\$75.00			1	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Chapter Agribusiness	\$75.00			1	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Chapter Placement	\$75.00			1	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Chapter Agriscience	\$75.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Community Service Award Application	\$100.00			1	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
NATIONAL CONVENTION								
Travel - National Band, Chorus or talent	\$100.00			1	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Executive Board Meals at National Conv.	\$400.00			1	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
2009 National Convention Scholarship	\$400.00			1	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
STATE OFFICERS								
National Officer Candidate	\$200.00			1	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
In-state travel for Executive Board*	\$550.00			1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
National Leadership Conference for SOs - room	\$950.48			1	\$792.07	\$792.07	\$0.00	\$792.07
GRAND TOTALS					\$4,317.07	\$4,317.07	\$0.00	\$4,317.07
					<i>Needed</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>	<i>Spent</i>	<i>Balance</i>
					Note:		Used of Budget	<i>of Budget</i>

Passed by Exec. Board on _____
First Draft 7/20/09

\$4,315

* Individual Demonstration - paid for through special project
In-State travel for Executive Board - paid for through State Officer Club Fund \$550

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 6th 2009

Committee: Constitution and By-Laws/ P.O.A.

Committee Members Present: Hanna Toft and Eric Nelson

Absent: Brianne Scholl

Purpose of Meeting: To go over POA and Constitution and By Laws and took into account recommended actions to follow through with our POA.

Recommended Action(s): Get a link to the POA up on the State Home Page.

Comments: We looked at the previous comments and realized that we could not change the format of the State POA to be like the chapter form.

Hanna Toft
Chairperson

Eric Nelson
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 6th 2009, NJDA, 2:00PM

Committee: CDE Review and Evaluation

Committee Members Present: Eric Nelson, State FFA Treasurer
Brienne Scholl, State FFA Vice President

Absent: None

Purpose of Meeting: To determine the direction of this committee and where it can go. Look at the suggestions from the committee meeting at the State FFA Convention and determine whether or not they are feasible and if they are, how can they be made possible.

Recommended Action(s): Look further into all CDE's that are currently offered by National FFA that are not offered in New Jersey for online possibilities. Add additional feedback options to the evaluation sheets to give options to make the evaluation sheets more specific to their respective competitions. These can include evaluation on equipment, preparation, expectation, among other options. Open up the possibilities for judges involved in competitions to give their feedback to NJ FFA members when the state association and the judges see it is appropriate.

Comments: Some things suggested are already found in the evaluation. Due to budget and space accomodation and restraint, members will sadly probably have to face whatever mother nature decides to throw at them. The next meeting will be August 19th, 2009, at 4:00PM via WebinOr

Eric Nelson, State FFA Treasurer
Chairperson

Brienne Scholl, State FFA Vice President
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 6th 2009

Committee: State FFA Applications

Committee Members Present: Skylar Matthews, Hanna Toft, Keely Weinberger

Absent:

Purpose of Meeting: Discuss which applications should be reviewed

Recommended Action(s): Have a webinar workshop on how to apply for State Degree. Reorganize State Activity Guide, Review Current due dates for applications + reorganizing to spread some out

Comments: Have 8,000 hour challenge application due on Earth Day

Skylar Matthews
Chairperson

Hanna Toft
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 6, 2009

Committee: Membership and Chapter Relations

Committee Members Present: Jessica Voll and Mark Boyko

Absent: Allison Karr and Brianne Scholl

Purpose of Meeting: The purpose of this meeting was to review the recommended actions from the committee members at the 80th State FFA Convention. After reviewing their recommendations, the state association members discussed the possible suggestions.

Recommended Action(s): 1. Visit at least 90% of the New Jersey chapters. 2. The first chapter visits for each officer will be done before National Convention. Also, I went through and chose which chapters should be visited first for each officer. (These schools would be the ones that haven't been visited in one or two years, and ones that are on probation.)

Comments: As we discussed the recommendations, we felt that they could very well be completed. The NJ State Association put the chapters listed on probation or revoked their charter. As for implementing the Fall and Spring CDE tours for first year members and charging them half the registration fee will be further discussed in another meeting. We feel that it is extremely important to visit the chapters that haven't been visited in a few years and the ones on probation first.

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Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 6, 2009

Committee: Horticulture Exposition Review and Evaluation

Committee Members Present: Jessica Voll, Skylar Matthews, and Mark Boyko

Absent: Gabby Ritzer, and Keely Weinberger

Purpose of Meeting: The purpose of this meeting was to review the recommended actions from the committee members at the 80th State FFA Convention. After reviewing their recommendations, the state association members discussed the possible suggestions.

Recommended Action(s):
 1. At the Horticulture Exposition, we have runners already, so we are going to check into having a sign up sheet for members that are interested in helping.
 2. Fix the Bonsai category.
 3. Fix descriptions on some categories and add a new category-New Year's.

Comments: To have Hort Expo Courtesy Corps, we felt that it was not necessary, but we thought that a sign-up sheet for students that would like to help would be better. The Bonsai category needs some work done with it, which we will discuss at the next meeting. In addition, changing some of the descriptions will allow students to broaden their creativity, as well as having a new category to make things more fair. One suggestion was to have hours count for the 8,000 hour challenge, but as a committee we agreed that there is no possible way that would work.

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