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New Jersey FFA Association *"Illuminate"*

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

FROM: Myranda M. Bond, State FFA President
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist
Nancy J. Trivette, State FFA Advisor

DATE: August 30, 2016

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.
1st Floor NJDA Board Room, 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. John Neyhart will fill the teacher representative on the Executive Board, and will have voting power at each meeting in 2016-2017.

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 – Myranda Bond
 - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Renee Stillwell
 - C. State Leadership Activities – Kelsey Stockton
 - D. State Applications – Jeremy Posluszny
 - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Josh Loew
 - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Zuri Richmond
 - G. State Convention Evaluation – Morgan Rutar
- VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report – Kelsey Stockton

- VII. **Executive Committee Report** – Hannah Mann
- VIII. **Foundation Report** – Jeremy Posluszny
- IX. **Alumni Report** – Morgan Rutar
- X. **Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report** – Renee Stillwell
- XI. **Unfinished Business**
 - A. Eastern States Exposition – Morgan Rutar
 - B. Leadership Experience and Development (October 7-8, 2016)
 - a) 360 Curriculum
 - i. Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) – Zuri Richmond
 - ii. Leadership and Opportunities Conference – Hannah Mann
 - b) State Greenhand Conference – Tyler Kohlhaas
 - c) Timeline – Kelsey Stockton
 - C. 89th National FFA Convention (October 19-22, 2016)
 - a) Flag Bearer – Josh Loew
 - b) Delegates – Morgan Rutar
 - c) State Booth – Kelsey Stockton
 - d) State Suite – Zuri Richmond
 - e) Recognition Program – Jeremy Posluszny
 - D. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers (January 3-17, 2017) – Renee Stillwell
 - E. Chapter Visits – Renee Stillwell
 - F. Team Goal Action Plan – Morgan Rutar
- XII. **New Business**
 - A. Calendar of Events – Zuri Richmond
 - B. Delegate Process written / Oral Testimony – Jeremy Posluszny
 - C. Fall Ag Ed Conference (September 30, 2016) – Kelsey Stockton
 - D. Fall Career Development Events (November 19, 2016) – Josh Loew
 - E. Agricultural Education/Agriculture Issues Discussion – Jeremy Posluszny
 - F. Member of the Month – Hannah Mann
 - G. State Officer Mileage – Josh Loew
- XIII. **Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting- October 3, 2016
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Auditorium
4:00 pm*

**New Jersey FFA Association
Minutes from August 8, 2016 Meeting**

I. Opening Ceremonies

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am. Voting members in attendance were Miranda Bond, Morgan Rutar, Renee Stillwell, Jeremy Posluszny, Zuri Richmond, Josh Loew, Kelsey Stockton, Hannah Mann, and Tyler Kohlhaas. State Staff in attendance were Mrs. Erin Noble, Mrs. Nancy Trivette, and Ms. Debra McCluskey.

II. Minutes from May State Meeting

Motion by Renee Stillwell to accept the secretary's report as read.
Seconded by Kelsey Stockton. Motion passes.

III. Treasurer's Report

Motion by Jeremy Posluszny to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.
Motion passes pending audit.

The 2016-2017 New Jersey FFA Association budget was shared with the Board. Mrs. Trivette challenged the group to cut expense and reduce the budget.

Motion by Morgan Rutar to lay on the table the discussion regarding the budget.
Seconded by Jeremy Posluszny. Motion Passes.

Motion by Morgan Rutar to take from the table the discussion regarding the budget.
Seconded by Jeremy Posluszny. Motion Passes.

Motion by Jeremy Posluszny to accept the budget.
Seconded by Morgan Rutar. Motion Passes.

IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance

No Guests were in attendance.

Motion by Hannah Mann to provide Alyssa Ferraro with an excused absence for the meeting.

Seconded by Tyler Kohlhaas. Motion fails.

Alyssa will receive an unexcused absence for this meeting.

Morgan Rutar assumed the duties of the chair.

V. Committee Assignments

A. Constitutions, Bylaws, & Program of Activities

The committee established goals and set expectations for the year which included ensuring that all needs are met to fit the association, review constitution and bylaws and make any necessary changes.

Motion by Myranda Bond to accept the Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

B. Membership & Chapter Relations

Expectations and goals were set for the committee for the 2016-2017 year. Expectations included increasing publicity of state events through social media, increase member interaction on social media, to make videos, blogs, etc. to engage members and supporters, and create promo videos for events.

Motion by Renee Stillwell to accept the Membership & Chapter Relations report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

C. State Leadership Activities

The goals of the committee were established and expectations were set. Goals for the 2016-2017 year are as follows: 1) Research new facility for SOCS, 2) Meet after each state leadership event to evaluate success, and 3) Promote state leadership events through social media and by reaching out to members.

Motion by Kelsey Stockton to accept the State Leadership Activities report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

D. State Applications

The State Applications Committee established goals and expectations for the year. To begin work, the committee updated information and records, reviewed surveys and statements of the previous committee meeting held during State Convention, and identified the advisor choices for the committee.

Motion by Jeremy Posluszny to accept the State Applications report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

E. Career Development Evaluation and Review

The Career Development Evaluation and Review committee met on July 11 to discuss the issues brought about during the delegate review at State Convention and to establish goals and expectations for the year.

Motion by Josh Loew to accept the Career Development Evaluation and Review report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review

The committee for the Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review met to establish goals and expectations for the year. Items discussed include seeking to find more qualified judges for the event, to pursue more opportunities for the nursery and

landscape section of the exposition, and to schedule meetings via “Google Hangouts” on a consistent day.

Motion by Zuri Richmond to accept the Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

G. State Convention Evaluation

The committee met to evaluate the report from state convention, determine recommended actions to be taken throughout the year, identify priority areas, establish goals and brainstorm a list of advisors.

Motion by Hannah Mann to accept the State Convention Evaluation report as read.

The motion had an implied second. Motion passes.

Myranda Bond reassumed the duties of the chair.

VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report

Division of the Assembly is called when there is doubt in the call of a vote by the chair. This motion cannot be called on a rising vote, only on a vocal vote. This motion is made by rising and announcing “Division” after a vote has been called. It can only be called when both “yay” and “nay” are said. The chair would respond by saying “Division has been called,” and asking for a rising vote.

VII. Executive Committee Report

Executive Committee member Hannah Mann asked all the state officers to recall from the past week of training one of their favorite memories of bonding and being with each other. With this, the State Officers were reminded that stressful events and times are approaching. In these moments of hardship and when the team might be at odds with each other, it’s important to remember those moments and how much they all care about each other.

VIII. Foundation Report

The July FFFA Foundation Meeting has been rescheduled to August 16 at 2:00 pm.

IX. Alumni Report

The Alumni State Convention Celebration was held on June 21 as a way to connect and reminisce with everyone who helped make convention a success. We also celebrated Eric Nelson, with his new job position at National FFA, and Dave Watts, as he begins college at Oklahoma State University.

X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

No report.

XI. Agricultural Society Report

The Agricultural Society met on July 13 to discuss the upcoming gala, ideas, and sponsors for the event. It was also discussed to have the meal at the gala incorporate "farm to table". The next meeting will be September 7 at 7:00 pm.

XII. Unfinished Business

A. Summer CDEs

a. Safe Tractor Operations Event

The Safe Tractor Operation's Event took place on July 19, 2016. Jimmy Katona from the Northern Burlington FFA Chapter placed first and will represent New Jersey at the Big E in September. The Central Jersey Tractor Pullers Association is happy to continue their partnership with the New Jersey FFA Association, and we are forever grateful for their contribution to making this event a success.

b. Horse Evaluation

The Horse Evaluation CDE was held on Wednesday, July 20 at the Burlington County Fairgrounds. The Northern Burlington FFA Chapter placed first and will represent New Jersey FFA at National Convention in October. There were 17 participants and the event was rated excellent overall.

c. Dairy Handlers

The Dairy Handlers Event was held at the Burlington County Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 23 beginning at 9:00 am. Peyton Bond placed first overall and will represent New Jersey at the Big E in September and at National Convention in October.

B. State President's Conference

Myranda and Morgan attended SPC from July 25 to July 30 in Alexandria Virginia. At this conference, they began the delegate process, went on congressional visits, and participated in advocacy training. As a part of beginning the delegate process, both Myranda and Morgan were elected to be the secretary of their respective committees. In addition, they were able to tour the city, meet with other state's officers, and watched the national officers lay a wreath at the tomb of the unknown soldier on behalf of the National FFA Organization.

C. 360 Training

360 training took place immediately following NLCSO, August 5 through August 6. Matt Reutlinger, a past Pennsylvania State Officer and current National FFA facilitator, facilitated the conference. All state officers practiced their curriculum for LEAD and got great feedback to improve their workshops.

D. National Leadership Conference for State Officers

The National Leadership Conference for State Officers was held July 31 through August 4 in West Virginia. The State Officer team connected with other state officers from

neighboring states, and also revisited the magic formula and learned facilitation skills and team building traits. The team also presented opening ceremonies and their flag raising ceremony.

E. 89th National FFA Convention

a. Delegates

The different delegate committees for this year were found in the folders provided at the meeting. Myranda Bond serves as secretary on the Committee for Reviewing CDE Opportunities. Morgan Rutar serves as secretary for her committee, the Committee for Infusing Agriculture Technology into National FFA Programs. Renee Stillwell will be a delegate for another committee. Jeremy Posluszny will be the alternate delegate this year. Each officer will have a part in the delegate process through either written or oral testimony. The guidelines for Official Dress were provided for state officers to review as well.

Motion by Jeremy Posluszny to have Renee Stillwell serve on the Committee for Exploring Methods of Increasing Diversity and Inclusion in National FFA Programs as a delegate.

Seconded by Zuri Richmond. Motion passes.

Motion by Jeremy Posluszny to table discussion on the Official Dress Guidelines until the September board meeting.

Seconded by Morgan Rutar. Motion passes.

b. Flag Bearer

Josh Loew will serve as New Jersey's flag bearer this year. Additional information will be provided shortly.

c. State Booth

The State Booth, otherwise known as the Hall of States booth, will be displayed in the convention hall this year. Kelsey Stockton will assist the Freehold FFA Chapter in setting up and running their display during National Convention.

d. State Suite

At convention, we will have a state suite in the session hall. Zuri Richmond will be responsible for greeting guests at the suite and making everyone feel welcome.

e. Recognition Program

The Recognition Program will be held at the state breakfast on Tuesday during National Convention to recognize the accomplishments of chapters and members of the New Jersey FFA Association during National Convention. Although the entire State Officer team will have a part in the Recognition program, Jeremy Posluszny will be coordinating the event.

F. State Theme T-Shirt and Thank you Gift

The t-shirt with this year's theme printed on it will be daisy yellow. The thank you gift will be the coffee mug that was agreed upon at the last association meeting.

G. Eastern State's Exposition

The Eastern States Exposition, also known as Big E, will be held on September 17 and September 18 in West Springfield, MA. Members and teams in our state who have placed first in various career development events have the opportunity to attend this event to compete in a practice run of their competition before National Convention. Renee Stillwell will be attending for the Star Award Program and Myranda Bond will be attending the State President Internship Opportunity.

H. Chapter Visits

The chapter visit schedules are provided in the folders. The Executive Committee will present a workshop on developing chapter visits later in the day. Further expectations will be shared during the workshop.

I. Team Goal Action Plan

This year's team goals were discussed at NLCSO as a part of a team building exercise. With seven goals, each officer will be responsible for keeping tabs on one specific goal and ensuring that it is accomplished by the end of the year. A google document will be set up for each officer to create an action plan for their goal to be accomplished with.

XIII. New Business

A. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers

At State President's Conference, the location for ILSSO was announced, which will be in South Africa again this year. Many of this year's state officer team plan on applying for this opportunity. The application will open up on Monday, August 15 at 1:00 pm.

B. Leadership Experience and Development

a. 360 Curriculum

i. Chapter Officer Leadership Training

COLT will be facilitated by the State Officer team for the chapter officers. Workshops are currently being reviewed and practiced after receiving them at 360 training.

ii. Leadership Opportunities Conference

LOC will be facilitated by New Jersey FFA Alumni members. This part of the conference is for FFA members who are not chapter officers and not first year members.

b. State Greenhand Conference

SGC will be facilitated by the executive committee and will help introduce first year FFA members into the organization and all that it offers. Themes for this part of the conference are being discussed.

c. Cost Analysis

Based on a handout from the July Association Meeting, the conference will cost around \$18,950 and will be covered by all fees and donations.

d. Timeline

A timeline and schedule for the entire LEAD Conference was provided in the folder and will be adjusted as needed.

C. Agricultural Education Issues Discussion

South Dakota University has just introduced a four-year Precision Agriculture major. This is the first school to introduce this major into their school. SDU has received a lot of industry support in making this possible, and hopefully other universities across the country will also consider making this a major in their school as well.

D. State Officer Mileage

The mileage report was provided in the folders. State Officers are reminded that miles are due by 2:00 pm prior to each State Board Meeting in order to be eligible for compensation.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 am.

11:22 AM

August 2, 2016

Cash Basis

NJ FFA Association
Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger
As of July 31, 2016

1. Opening Balance July 1, 2016
2. Closing Balance July 31, 2016

2016-2017 FFA Association Budget

Project #	Project Name	# of Students	\$	Income	Total Income	Expenses	Total Expenses
1	Affiliation Fees				\$ 50,000.00	\$ 13,500.00	
	Student Manuals					\$ 935.00	
							\$ 14,435.00
2	CDEs	500	\$9	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00		
	Scantrons	602	\$1			\$ 602.00	
	Fall CDEs rental of room					\$ 749.50	
	Insurance for Students	250 x .30 x 1 day				\$ 75.00	
	Spring CDEs rental of room					\$ 3,966.00	
	Insurance for Students	250 x .30 x 1 day				\$ 75.00	
	Summer CDEs						
	Insurance for Students	20 x .30 x 3 days				\$ 18.00	
	PA CDE Fees (\$110)					\$ 125.00	
	Insurance for Students	20 x .30 x 1 day				\$ 6.00	
	CDE Affiliation Fees					\$ 2,700.00	
	Dairy Cattle Evaluation fee to 4-H					\$ 75.00	
	Summer CDE awards					\$ 77.00	
	Milk Quality & Products Materials					\$ 75.00	
							\$ 8,543.50
3	General Supplies						
	Holiday Photo cards					\$ 130.00	
	Calendars						
	Insurance - Liability					\$ 930.00	
	Memberships- Farm Bureau, Ag Society					\$ 75.00	
	AET						
	Judge Thank You mugs (using online-Discount Mugs- as supplier)					\$ 940.00	
							\$ 2,075.00
4	State Officers				\$ 1,105.00		
	Local Travel					\$ 4,000.00	
	State Presidents Conf.			\$ 90.00		\$ 650.00	
	Unofficial Official Dress					\$ 520.00	
	Insurance for SPC/Blast Off	10	\$8			\$ 75.00	
	Jackets/Business Cards					\$ 688.00	
	Ag Convention					\$ 350.00	
	BLAST OFF						
	Coveys (2016-17 Kindle's)					\$ 375.00	
	Lodging					\$ 1,308.00	
	Meals					\$ 140.00	
	Banquet Speech W/S supplies					\$ 50.00	
	Allstate Motor Club membership	5	\$95			\$ 472.50	
	State Officer Candidate School	35	\$9	\$ 315.00		\$ 150.00	
	SOCS Affiliation Expense					\$ 162.00	
	State Officer Application Fee	7	\$100	\$ 700.00			
							\$ 8,940.50
5	Leadership Experience and Development				\$ 16,950.00		
	Facility/meals	150	\$113	\$ 16,950.00		\$ 14,150.00	
	Lodging	4 rooms x 2 nights	\$137			\$ 1,100.00	
	T-shirts					\$ 1,300.00	
	DJ					\$ 250.00	
	Supplies/Awards					\$ 225.00	
	LEAD Affiliation Fees					\$ 2,460.00	
	Insurance for Students	150 x .30 x 2 days				\$ 90.00	
							\$ 19,575.00
6	State Convention				\$ 65,777.00		
	Registration	380	\$160	\$ 60,800.00			
	Facility/meals/lodging	400	\$155			\$ 62,000.00	
	Partials			\$ 1,740.00			
	Supplies					\$ 250.00	
	DJ for Dance					\$ 250.00	
	Insurance for Students	420 x .30 x 3 days				\$ 378.00	
	State Awards					\$ 2,000.00	
	Printing of Programs					\$ 600.00	
	State Convention Affiliation Fees					\$ 2,190.00	
	Convention T-shirts			\$ 3,237.00		\$ 2,000.00	
							\$ 69,668.00

Project #	Project Name	# of Students	\$	Income	Total	Expenses	Total
7	National Convention						
	Delegates (Travel Allocation of \$90 x 7 =)			\$ 630.00	\$ 5,475.00	\$ -	
	Delegates Travel					\$ -	
	NOC Room					\$ -	
	SO Rooms (\$1997)	3 rms x \$226/ x 7 nights				\$ 4,767.00	
	State Officer/Delegate Registration (\$250)					\$ 315.00	
	Room Deposits			\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	
	Regional & National Fees	CDEs		\$ 845.00		\$ 845.00	
	Big E- Insurance for Students	40 x .30 x 2 days				\$ 24.00	
	State Breakfast (approx \$2578)			\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,800.00	
	Insurance for Students	120 x .30 x 4 days				\$ 144.00	
							\$ 10,895.00
8	Hort Expo				\$ 4,850.00		
	Registration	670	\$5	\$ 3,350.00			
	Floral Design Registration	60	\$25	\$ 1,500.00			
	FD Affiliation Expense					\$ 700.00	
	Flowers/tables for Floral Design (\$1850)					\$ 1,580.00	
	tables/tablecloths for Hort Expo (\$2058)					\$ 1,900.00	
	Awards					\$ 1,200.00	
	Supplies- Ribbons					\$ 200.00	
	Hort Expo Affiliation Fees					\$ 1,775.00	
	Insurance for Students	300 x .30 x 2 days				\$ 180.00	
							\$ 7,535.00
9	National Leadership Conf. For State Officers				\$ -		
	Registration	7	\$235			\$ 1,645.00	
	Lodging	3	\$99	4 nights		\$ 1,188.00	
							\$ 2,833.00
10	State Legislative Leadership Activity				\$ 3,740.00	\$ 5,400.00	
	Registration	125	\$28	\$ 3,500.00			
	Display	8	\$30	\$ 240.00		\$ 137.00	
	Supplies					\$ 300.00	
	ALLD Affiliation Fees					\$ 2,000.00	
	Insurance for Students	200 x .30 x 1 days				\$ 60.00	
							\$ 7,897.00
							\$ 152,397.00
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Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 11th, 2016

Committee: Constitution, Bylaws, and Program of Activities

Committee Members Present: Hannah Mann

Absent: Jeremy Posiuszny and Josh Loew

Purpose of Meeting: To plan goals for the year, set expectations, and decided on our advisor.

Recommended Action(s): Expectations: Making sure all of the needs are met to fit the association, Review constitution and by-laws and make necessary changes.

Comments: Mr. Rudarow, Dr. Mclean, and Ms. D'tizio meeting will be September.

The next

Myranda M. Bond
Chairperson

Hannah Mann
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 11, 2016

Committee: Membership and Chapter Relations

Committee Members Present:

Renee Stillwell, Jeremy Posluszny, Hannah Mann

Absent:

Myranda Bond

Purpose of Meeting:

Establish goals of committee and set expectations for the 2016-2017 year.

Recommended Action(s):

Expectations for the 2016-2017 year include:
 -Increase publicity of state events for social media
 -Increase member interaction on social media
 -Speak with schools that do not have ag programs and inform the public more about what we do.
 -Make youtube videos, blogs, etc. to engage members and supporters
 -Create promo videos for events
 -Implement web access into officer request forms via Jotform

Comments:

Goals for the 2016-2017 year include:
 -Increase membership by at least 10% through public outreach, chapter engagement, and social media.
 -Have at least one (1) meeting a month.

Renee Stillwell
Chairperson

Jeremy Posluszny
Secretary

Committee Report (SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)					
Date:	07-11-2016 NJDA				
Committee:	State Leadership Activities				
Committee Members Present:	Kelsey Stockton, Zuri Richmond, Josh Loew, Alyssa Ferraro				
Absent:	All present.				
Purpose of Meeting:	1. Define Committee goals, and 2. Review Convention Report and discuss delegate recommendations.				
Recommended Action(s):	It is recommended that the association research potential locations, other than the NJDA, for State Officer Candidates School (SOCS) due to increased participation. Cost needs to be considered. A few possibilities: The Rutgers EcoComplex, Rutgers University- New Brunswick, or another centralized school.				
Comments:	Committee Goals: 1. Research new facility for SOCS, 2. Meet after each state leadership event to evaluate success, and 3. Promote state leadership events through social media and by reaching out to members.				
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Committee Report (SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)	
Date:	Monday, July 11, 2016
Committee:	Committee on State FFA Applications
Committee Members Present:	Mr. Jeremy Posluszny, Chairman (Present) Ms. Kelsey Stockton, Vice Chairwoman (Present) Ms. Alyssa Ferraro (Present)
Absent:	Ms. Renée Stilwell (Excused) Ms. Keely DiTizio (Not yet identified)
Purpose of Meeting:	To begin committee work on establishing goals, update information and records, review surveys and statements of the previous committee meeting held during State Convention, initiate the process of reviewing the applications and forms used by the association, identify the the advisor choices for the committee, set expectations for the coming year, and to deliver recommended actions to the executive board based on discussion for improving the work of the committee.
Recommended Action(s):	<p>The committee recommends new software or online programs as the medium used by members, advisors and chapters throughout the year for business involving the association, and applications and forms already established.</p> <p>The committee recommends allowing the committee to indentify new software or online programs to be presented to the executive board to make a decision on which medium should be used in the upcoming year.</p> <p>(!) The committee notes that new mediums for presenting the forms online in an easy and professional manner may require a monthly fee by most online programs, that could cost near \$250 per year through certain, but recommended, programs.</p> <p>The committee recommends approving the committee members to suggest a new and updated rubric, with a standardized point system and requirements, for all current applications, to the executive-board.*</p>
Comments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals: (1) To have no less than three 'Member of the Month' applications per month, and (2) to have at least one social media post to chapter/members about form updates and opportunities per month, through the association's social media accounts. • Expectations: (1) Review each application for alteration, redrafting, simplification, and updating content, and (2) find a new medium to present applications and forms to the members, advisors and chapters this year. • Clarification: (*) The update to the rubric, point system, and qualifications will better reflect member, advisor and chapter wants/needs based on suggestions. The simplification would also present easier grading.
	Chairperson
	Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 11, 2016

Committee: CDE Evaluation and Review

Committee Members Present: Josh Loew, Tyler Kohlhaas, and Renee Stillwell

Absent: Morgan Rutar

Purpose of Meeting: To review and evaluate career development events.

Recommended Action(s): Consider moving livestock evaluation back to DVU, Release AG sales topic sooner, make land and homesite two separate events, make centralized locations for electronic CDE's, Promote Hall of States more.

Comments: Teacher suggestions- Mr. Cruzan, Mr. Leh, Mrs. Ditzio, Ms. Tuft.

Josh Loew
Chairperson

Tyler Kohlhaas
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 11, 2016

Committee: Horticultural Exposition Review and Evaluation

Committee Members Present:

Zuri Richmond and Morgan Rutar.

Absent:

Kelsey Stockton and Alyssa Ferraro.

Purpose of Meeting:

The purpose of this meeting was to create a basis for the expectations of this committee, as well as to set goals for the year, given the feedback from prior evaluations for the Horticultural Exposition.

Recommended Action(s):

During this meeting, three goals were established to ensure that Horticultural Exposition can be successful as well as improve according to prior feedback from members, advisors, and more. Throughout the year, the Horticultural Exposition Committee plans to seek out more qualified judges who are knowledgeable in the area of horticulture and floral design. Another goal set for the year is to pursue more opportunities for the nursery and landscape section of the exposition. However, we are unsure if this is an urgent priority for the event itself compared to other improvements, therefore that will be determined as more information is gathered. Lastly, the committee wishes to set a confirmed schedule for meetings via "Google Hangouts."

Comments:

At our next meeting, we will establish the role of the secretary, and discuss days that work well with the committee members' schedules. A website titled "doodle.com" may be useful in doing this, therefore that may be a possible option in determining if Tuesday evenings, every other month, is a feasible option. The next meeting date will be confirmed accordingly.

Zuri Richmond
Zuri Richmond
Chairperson

(to be announced)
Secretary

Committee Report
(SUBMIT TO STATE SECRETARY)

Date: July 11, 2016

Committee: State Convention Evaluation Committee

Committee Members Present: Morgan Rutar, State Vice President, Myranda Bind, State President, Tyler Kohihaas, Executive Committee

Absent: Zuri Richmond, State Reporter

Purpose of Meeting: The committee met to evaluate the report from State Conenvtion, determine recommended actions to be taken throughout the year, identify priority areas, establish goals, and brainstorm a list of advisors.

Recommended Action(s):

- Recommended Actions: 1) create shorter, more specialize surveys for each event and courtesy corps, 2) Ensure clean and secure housing facilities, 3) Create a system for efficient award distribution, and 4) Provide more member and crowd interaction during sessions.
- Goals: 1) Have meetings AT LEAST every other month (note: regular day, such as "second Tuesday," will be determined at next meeting), 2) Create member interaction during or before sessions, 3) Find a relatable and interactive keynote speaker, and 4) Have keynote speaker identified by January committee meeting.
- Priority Areas: 1) Improve the ice cream social, and 2) Reviewing the scheduling for the Parliamentary Procedure CDE and Delegate Business Session.

Comments: Suggested advisors are: Dr. Robin McLean (confirmed), Mr. Greg Babbitt, and Mrs. Keely DiTizio. The next meeting will be held in September.

Morgan Rutar
Chairperson

Myranda Bond
Secretary

NJ FFA Association
Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger
 As of July 31, 2016

11:22 AM
 August 2, 2016
 Cash Basis

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Split	Original Amount	Paid Amount	Balance
FFA							45,883.41
Deposit	07/06/2016		Deposit	-SPLIT-	7,835.90	7,835.90	53,719.31
Check	07/11/2016	NJ FFA Foundation	scholarships	P6 (State Convention - Expense)	-2,000.00	-2,000.00	51,719.31
Check	07/11/2016	Allstate Motor Club	Motor Club - Stillwell	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-108.00	-108.00	51,611.31
Check	07/11/2016	Lands End	unofficial official dress	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-965.00	-965.00	50,646.31
Check	07/11/2016	Vista Print	business cards	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-162.76	-162.76	50,483.55
Check	07/11/2016	Best Buy	tablets for state officer teams to use	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-374.43	-374.43	50,109.12
Check	07/11/2016	Acme	Blast off lunch & snack expenses	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-132.80	-132.80	49,976.32
Check	07/12/2016	Bank of America	Blast Off - room expenses	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-1,308.00	-1,308.00	48,668.32
Deposit	07/15/2016		Deposit	-SPLIT-	2,146.00	2,146.00	50,814.32
Check	07/15/2016	National FFA Organiz...	Official Dress - jackets	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-525.00	-525.00	50,289.32
Deposit	07/20/2016		Deposit	-SPLIT-	353.00	353.00	50,642.32
Check	07/25/2016	West Virginia FFA, A...	NLCSC Registration & Lodging costs	P9 (NLCSC - Expense)	-2,833.00	-2,833.00	47,809.32
Deposit	07/26/2016		Deposit	Undeposited Funds	4,978.00	4,978.00	52,787.32
Deposit	07/27/2016		Deposit	-SPLIT-	1,897.90	1,897.90	54,685.22
Total FFA						8,801.81	54,685.22
TOTAL						8,801.81	54,685.22