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**NEW JERSEY FFA ASSOCIATION**  
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**TO:** State Executive Board Members, NJ FFA Chapter Advisors, Officers and Members

**FROM:** Josh Loew, State FFA President  
Lauren Fillebrown, State FFA Facilitator  
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Advisor

**DATE:** March 21, 2019

**RE:** State FFA Executive Board Meeting  
**Monday, April 1, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.**  
1st Floor NJDA Auditorium, 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 2018-2019.

**AGENDA FOR THE APRIL STATE MEETING**

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the March State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer's Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
  - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities – Josh Loew
  - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Kelsey Stockton
  - C. State Leadership Activities – Brittany Smith
  - D. State Applications – Christine Albrecht
  - E. Career and Leadership Development Evaluation and Review – Kaitlyn Tallamy
  - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Jamie Specca
  - G. State Convention Evaluation – Jacob Newkirk

- VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report – Jacob Newkirk**
- VII. Executive Committee Report – Renee Stillwell**
- VIII. Foundation Report – Josh Loew**
- IX. State FFA Alumni and Supporters Report – Jamie Specca**
- X. Food, Agriculture, and Natural Resources Education Advisory Council Report – Kaitlyn Tallamy**
- XI. New Jersey Agricultural Society Report – Christine Albrecht**
- XII. Equine Advisory Board Report – Brittany Smith**
- XIII. New Jersey Association of Agriculture Educators – Mr. John Neyhart**
- XIV. Unfinished Business**
  - A. National Ag Day Event (March 13-14) – Kaitlyn Tallamy
  - B. Horticultural Exposition/Floral Design CDE (March 15-16) – Jamie Specca
  - C. New Jersey Agriculture Society Gala (March 23) – Christine Albrecht
  - D. Winter (Online) CDEs (March 27) – Jacob Newkirk
  - E. Retiring Address Workshop (April 10) – Brittany Smith
  - F. Spring CDEs (April 11) – Kaitlyn Tallamy
  - G. State Applications Judging (April 18) – Jamie Specca
  - H. State Convention Planning
    - a. Timeline – Jacob Newkirk
    - b. Video Shoot – Brittany Smith
    - c. Statewide Community Service Project – Jacob Newkirk
    - d. Potential State Officers/ Nom Com – Jamie Specca
    - e. Delegate Issues for State Convention – Josh Loew
  - I. Chapter Visits – Christine Albrecht
  - J. Team Goal Action Plan – Jamie Specca
- XV. New Business**
  - A. Horse Evaluation (April 7) – Jacob Newkirk
  - B. Dairy Cattle Evaluation (April 27) – Kaitlyn Tallamy
  - C. Eastern PA Day (April 30) – Josh Loew
  - D. Agriscience Fair (May 1) – Christine Albrecht
  - E. Agricultural Education Issues Discussion – Kaitlyn Tallamy
  - F. Member of the Month – Renee Stillwell
  - G. State Officer Mileage – Christine Albrecht
- XVI. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting- Monday, May 6, 2019  
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Auditorium  
4:00 p.m.*

**New Jersey FFA Association  
Minutes from the March 4, 2019 Meeting**

**I. Opening Ceremonies**

Josh Loew called the meeting to order 4:00 p.m. Voting members in attendance were Susan Schmidt, Kaitlyn Tallamy, Christine Albrecht, Jamie Specca, Jacob Newkirk, Brittany Smith and Mr. John Neyhart. State Staff in attendance were Ms. Lauren Fillebrown and Mrs. Erin Noble.

**II. Minutes from February State Meeting**

**Motion by Brittany Smith** to dispense with the reading of the February meeting minutes and approve them as distributed.

**Seconded by Susan Schmidt. Motion passes.**

**III. Treasurer's Report**

**Motion by Kaitlyn Tallamy** to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

**Motion passes pending audit.**

**IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**

Matt Gold- Allentown FFA Chapter

Kelsey Stockton and Renee Stillwell have been excused for academic purposes.

*Jamie Specca assumed the duties of the chair.*

**V. Committee Assignments**

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

No Report

**B. Membership & Chapter Relations**

No Report

**C. State Leadership Activities**

No Report

**D. State Applications**

No Report

**E. Career Development Evaluation and Review**

No Report

**F. Horticulture Exposition Evaluation and Review**

No Report

**G. State Convention Evaluation**

No Report

*Josh Loew reassumed the duties of the chair.*

**VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report**

The motion to discharge a committee is when the assembly can take further consideration of a question or subject out of a committee's hands after referring to the committee when a final report was made. No motion is needed when final report is sent to assembly but can be introduced as an incidental main motion when no question is pending and would only need a majority vote.

**VII. Executive Committee Report**

The team reflected on what we wrote at the first state meeting and thought about how we are now feeling. After reflecting, we discussed ways that we were going to make the most of our last 12 weeks as state FFA officers.

**VIII. State FFA Foundation Report**

The State FFA Foundation meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2019.

**IX. State FFA Alumni and Supporters Association Report**

The State FFA Alumni and Supporters Association held their meeting on February 13, 2019 at the NJ Department of Agriculture. State officers that attended ILSSO gave a presentation to the group. The group also held the FFA Bowling Bash on February 23, which was open to FFA alumni, members and family. It was a success!

**X. Food, Agriculture, & Natural Resources Education Advisory Council Report**

The Food, Agriculture, & Natural Resources Education Advisory Council met on February 6, 2019 at the State Agriculture Convention in Atlantic City. Dr. McLean gave a report from the NJAAE along with a legislative update. There was updates from the Office of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education, as well as a report from the State FFA Alumni and Supporters. State officers also shared what the association has been doing this year.

**XI. New Jersey Agricultural Society Report**

The New Jersey Agricultural Society meeting was on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at the Rutgers Eco Complex. All State FFA Officers will be attending their Annual Gala on March 23, 2019.

**XII. Equine Advisory Board**

The Equine Advisory Board met on February 20, 2019 at Rick's Saddle Shop. They discussed the new human standards and seeing eye animal resolutions that were passed at ag convention. We also discussed a new ride along program with equine professionals for youth around the state along with health concerns and ways to prevent injuries in the upcoming spring.

**XIII. New Jersey Association for Agricultural Educators**

The New Jersey Association for Agricultural Educators are trying to bring awareness to the legislation for Agriculture Teachers in New Jersey. They also had a display at the Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day with baby photos. Ms. Jenny Allen has also received the Outstanding Young Teacher of the Year Award from ACTE.

#### **XIV. Unfinished Business**

##### **A. Agriculture Convention**

The New Jersey Agriculture Convention was held at Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City from February 5-7, 2019. Josh Loew spoke to the delegation on February 6. There was many FFA Alumni and Supporters and advisors in attendance to the banquet that night, where Mrs. Nancy Trivette was recognized for her 30+ years of service in agriculture.

##### **B. Fuel Up Retreat**

The Fuel Up Retreat was held February 14-17, 2019 in North Wildwood. The state officers spent the weekend preparing for state convention by working on session openings and closing, practicing ceremonies, and more!

##### **C. ALLD**

Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day was held on February 21, 2019 at The College of New Jersey. Based off the evaluations, FFA members and advisors seemed very pleased with the Symposium, the Panel, and the workshops in the afternoon.

##### **D. National FFA Week**

National FFA Week was held February 16-23, 2019. There were events held by chapters across the state. Several state officers were able to attend chapter events at some point during the week.

##### **E. National Ag Day Event**

National Ag Day will be held March 13-14, 2019 in Maryland. Josh and Kait will attend the event representing New Jersey FFA along with other youth from three agricultural organizations from across the county.

##### **F. Hort Expo/Floral Design**

The Horticultural Exposition will take place at the Mercer County Community College March 15-16, 2019. There will be Leadership Workshops, along with the Floral Design CDE. State Officers looked at the schedule as well as the updated information so that they can be properly prepared for the event.

##### **G. Winter CDEs**

Winter CDEs will be held on March 27, 2019 using MyCART. These CDEs include Meat Evaluation and Technology, Farm and Agribusiness Management, and Forestry.

##### **H. Spring CDEs**

Spring CDEs will be held on April 11, 2019 at Rutgers Cook Campus. These CDEs include Veterinary Science, Agricultural Technology and Mechanics Systems, Environmental Science, Agricultural Sales, Floriculture, and Nursey and Landscape

**I. Delegate Issue for State Convention**

State Officers looked at changes that need to be made to the constitution based on what was voted on at the National FFA Convention by the delegation.

**Motioned by Jamie Specca** for the New Jersey State Association to recommend to the NJ state FFA delegates to vote in favor of all the proposals.

**Seconded by Jake. Motion Passes**

**J. Statewide Community Service Project**

New this year, the NJ State FFA Association will hold a Day of Service where ffa members can help support the Bat House Distribution Program of the Rutgers Wildlife Conservation and Management Program on Wednesday, May 22 at 3:00 at the State FFA Convention. The Statewide Community Service Project encourages FFA Chapters to collect items to donate to the Rutgers Wildlife Conservation and Management Program.

**K. Chapter Visits**

The State Officers have completed 88.6 % of their chapter visits.

**L. Team Goal Action Plan**

Jamie had all officers text their accountability buddies to check up on how they are doing.

**XV. New Business**

**A. Ag Society Gala**

The state officers are attending the Ag Society Gala which will be held on March 23, 2019 at the Mercer County Boat House. State Officers will help with set up and the raffle prizes.

**B. National FFA Foundation visits**

Christin Albrecht and Jamie Specca will be going to Merk and Zoetis with some of the National FFA Officers to give presentations and thank them for their support. Jake Newkirk, Jamie Specca and Christine Albrecht will also attend Zoetis on March 14.

**C. RA Workshop**

The State Alumni and Supporters will host the Retiring Address Workshop on April 10, 2019 at the NJ Department of Agriculture. State Officers will deliver their retiring addresses, and then be assigned a State FFA Alumni and Supporters officer to help them develop their retiring address further.

**D. State application judging**

State Application Judging will take place on April 18, 2019 at the NJ Department of Agriculture. There will be state officers as well as agricultural representatives, alumni and supporters present for judging.

**E. Agricultural Education Issue discussion**

President Donald Trump recently signed legislation to update the National FFA charter, an action the organization hopes will lead to greater self-governance and could lead to an expanded national officer team in the years to come. The bill guarantees agriculture education to be supported throughout the nation's schools and recognizes the role it plays to prepare students to fill careers unique to agriculture.

**F. Member of the Month**

**Motion by Jamie Specca** to select Luke Snyder from the South Hunterdon Regional FFA chapter for March Member of the month.

**Seconded by Christine Albrecht. Motion passed.**

**G. State Officer Mileage**

Reviewed report in folders.

**XVI. Other Business**

**a. Motioned by Susan Schmidt** to resign from her office as the 2018-2019 State FFA Reporter.

**Seconded by Jamie Specca. Motion Passed.**

**XVII. Closing Ceremonies**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 P.M.

Respectively Submitted,  
*Brittany Smith*  
*State FFA Secretary*

# NJ FFA Association

## FFA Monthly Budget Summary

February 2019

	Feb 19	Jul '18 - Feb 19	\$ Under / Over Budget	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>				
P1 Dues/Memberships (Income)	1,825.00	43,972.00	-3,028.00	47,000.00
P2 CDEs (Income)	45.00	1,377.00	-273.00	1,650.00
P4 State Officers (Income)	100.00	1,706.63	1,431.63	275.00
P5 LEAD (Income)	0.00	15,449.00	-9.00	15,458.00
P6 State Convention (Income)	60.00	8,434.26	-52,186.74	60,621.00
P7 National Convention (Income)	0.00	2,053.00	-253.00	2,316.00
P8 Horticulture Expo (income)	140.00	295.00	-3,805.00	4,100.00
P10 Leadership Event (Income)	1,745.64	3,539.64	-652.36	4,192.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,915.64</b>	<b>76,836.53</b>	<b>-58,775.47</b>	<b>135,612.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
P1 (Dues/Memberships-Expense)	0.00	12,360.00	-640.00	13,000.00
P2 (CDEs - Expense)	0.00	1,537.60	-8,030.40	9,568.00
P3 (General Supplies - Expense)	82.92	1,826.72	-872.28	2,699.00
P4 (State Officers - Expense)	712.11	12,617.80	3,012.80	9,605.00
P5 (LEAD - Expense)	0.00	17,533.64	-1,144.36	18,678.00
P6 (State Convention - Expense)	0.00	61,477.61	407.61	61,070.00
P7 (National Conven. - Expense)	0.00	6,462.31	-304.69	6,767.00
P8 (Hort Expo - Expense)	1,108.00	1,108.00	-5,742.00	6,850.00
P9 (NLCSO - Expense)	0.00	0.00	-2,275.00	2,275.00
P10 (Leadership Event-Expense)	30.00	1,016.62	-4,083.38	5,100.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>1,933.03</b>	<b>115,940.30</b>	<b>-19,671.70</b>	<b>135,612.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>1,982.61</b>	<b>-39,103.77</b>	<b>-39,103.77</b>	<b>0.00</b>



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March 1, 2019

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**NJ FFA Association**  
**Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger**  
 As of February 28, 2019

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Split	Original Amount	Paid Amount	Balance
FFA							47,387.19
Deposit	02/04/2019						47,417.19
Check	02/06/2019	Costco	Deposit	Undeposited Funds	30.00	30.00	47,417.19
Check	02/06/2019	Walmart	lunch items for SOCS	-SPLIT-	-169.77	-169.77	47,247.42
Check	02/06/2019	Phils 2	lunch for SOCS	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-10.26	-10.26	47,237.16
Deposit	02/11/2019		Deposit	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-195.00	-195.00	47,042.16
Check	02/19/2019	Rutgers Food Innovati...	refund 2019 ALLD Career Fair display - tr...	Undeposited Funds	100.00	100.00	47,142.16
Check	02/20/2019	Vegetable Growers A...	2019 State Ag Convention / Youth Recep...	P10 (Leadership Event-Expense)	-30.00	-30.00	47,112.16
Deposit	02/20/2019		Deposit	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-420.00	-420.00	46,692.16
Deposit	02/28/2019		Deposit	-SPLIT-	347.00	347.00	47,039.16
Check	02/28/2019	National FFA Organiz...	2019 Hort Expo award plaques	-SPLIT-	3,170.82	3,170.82	50,209.98
Check	02/28/2019			P8 (Hort Expo - Expense)	-1,108.00	-1,108.00	49,101.98
Total FFA					1,714.79	1,714.79	49,101.98
TOTAL					1,714.79	1,714.79	49,101.98