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New Jersey FFA

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

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

DATE: May 31, 2011

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting
Monday, June 6, 2011 – 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. Mrs. Lisa Ann Moschera-Chernigovets will fill the Teacher Representative on the Executive Board, and will have voting power at each meeting in 2011-2012.

AGENDA FOR THE JUNE STATE MEETING

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the May State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer's Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
 - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities
 - B. Membership & Chapter Relations
 - C. State Leadership Activities
 - D. State Applications
 - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review
 - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review
 - G. State Convention Evaluation

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

VII. Foundation Report

VIII. Alumni Report

IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

X. Unfinished Business

- A. State Convention Review – Jessica McCosker
- B. Honorary American Degree Nominations – Jimmie Ferguson
- C. H.O Sampson Chapter Recognition – Julianne Robinson
- D. Summer CDEs – Rachel Layton
 - a. Dairy Handlers
 - b. Poultry Judging
 - c. Horse Judging

XI. New Business

- A. State Officer Leadership Training (June 11-12, 2011) – Stephanie Tarlowe
- B. Alumni Golf Tournament (June 21, 2011) – Ernie Arians
- C. BLAST Off- (June 29-July 1, 2011) – Anna Lubas
- D. Code of Ethics – Sam Rubinstein
- E. Select State FFA Representatives to Organizations – Jimmie Ferguson
 - a. State FFA Alumni
 - b. State FFA Foundation
 - c. Agricultural Education Advisory Council
- F. Establish Policies – Gillian Armstrong
 - a. Travel Policy
 - b. SO Attendance Policy
 - c. Executive Committee Attendance Policy
- G. State Presidents' Conference (July 26-July 29, 2011) – Jimmie Ferguson
- H. National Leadership Conference for State Officers (July 31-August 4, 2011) – Anna Lubas
- I. Chapter Banquets – Eric Nelson
- J. Member of the Month – Eric Nelson
- K. State Officer Mileage

XII. Closing Ceremonies

*Next State Meeting –Monday July 11, 2011
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Board Room
9:00 AM*

**NJ FFA Association
Minutes of May 2, 2011**

I. Opening Ceremonies

Eric Nelson called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm. Voting members in attendance were Eric Nelson, Keely Weinberger, Alec McAlarnen, Rachel Layton, Jessica McCosker, Jimmie Ferguson, Julianne Robinson, Hanna Toft, Brianne Scholl, Alison Karr and Mrs. Moschera Chernigovets. Mrs. Noble, Ms. Butch and Mrs. Trivette were also in attendance.

II. Minutes from the April State Meeting

Motion by Alec McAlarnen to accept the April minutes as read.

Seconded by Rachel Layton. Motion passes.

III. Treasure's Report

Rachel Layton gave the April and May Treasurer's Report.

Motion by Rachel Layton to accept the Treasurer's Reports pending audit.

Motion Passes pending audit.

IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance

V. Committee Assignments

Keely assumes the Duties of The Chair.

A. Constitution, Bylaws, & Program of Activities – Eric Nelson

The next meeting will be at State Convention

B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Julianne Robinson

The next meeting will be at State Convention

C. State Leadership Activities – Alec McAlarnen

The next meeting will be at State Convention.

D. State Applications – Keely Weinberger

The next meeting will be held at State Convention.

Motion by Eric Nelson to require future chairs of this committee to attend Application Judging.

Second by Jessica McCosker. Motion Passes.

E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Rachel Layton

The next meeting will be held at State Convention.

F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Jimmie Ferguson

The next meeting will be held at State Convention.

G. State Convention – Jessica McCosker

The next meeting will be held at State Convention.

Eric reassumes the Duties of The Chair.

VI. Executive Committee Report

The Executive Committee offered help to the State Officers with Retiring Addresses, State Convention Planning, and anything else they might need.

VII. Foundation Report

The last meeting was April 12, 2011 at 6:00 pm. The Foundation is in the process of having Ameriprise provide advice on how to manage funds.

VIII. Alumni Report

The last meeting was on April 13, 2011 following the Retiring Address Workshop. The Alumni spoke about retiring address feedback and the upcoming Golf Tournament on June 21st at Mercer Oaks.

IX. State CTE Advisory Committee

No Report

X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

The next meeting will be at State Convention.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. State Officer Candidates

Applications were due on May 1, 2011.

B. Nominating Committee

After the last State Meeting, Hanna and Eric selected the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Noble has three interviews left and will hopefully announce the committee by the end of the week.

C. State Applications Judging

Eric and Keely attended State Applications Judging on April 7, 2011. They worked with two advisors to judge applications.

D. National Officer Candidates

Mrs. Noble sent out an email to advisors about the National Officer Candidates. Letters of intent were due on April 15, 2011. Mrs. Noble received one letter.

Motion by Hanna Toft to accept Eric Nelson as New Jersey's National Officer Candidate.

Second by Keely Weinberger. Motion Passes.

E. State Convention Planning

- a. Timeline- There is a timeline provided in our meeting folders.
- b. Community Service Project- The community service project will be a collection for the American Cancer Society.

F. Delegate Issue for SPC 2011

Eric will put together a proposal for the delegates at the 82nd New Jersey FFA Convention about regional lines to be brought to the leadership delegates at SPC.

G. Program Affiliation

We will propose Program Affiliation to the delegates at the 82nd New Jersey FFA Convention. Mrs. Trivette and Mrs. Noble prepared a packet on Program Affiliation for the delegates, which showed different options with supplemental packages.

H. Retiring Addresses

The Retiring Address Workshop was held on April 13th at 5:00 pm at the Department of Agriculture. The State Officers received helpful feedback from the Alumni. Now is the time to start memorizing your speeches.

I. Delegate Issues for State Convention

The National Delegate Issues consist of “The Process for Amending the National FFA Constitution and Bylaws,” “Setting of dues if we were unable to hold the National FFA Convention or Delegates were unable to set dues because of natural disasters or health risks,” and “Changing the Organization’s fiscal year in the bylaws.” New Jersey will also propose Program Affiliation to the delegates.

J. Spring CDEs

Agricultural Mechanics, Floriculture, Nursery Landscape, Ag Sales, and Environmental and Natural Resources were held on April 14 at Rutgers University. Northern Burlington FFA placed first in Ag Mechanics, and Ag Sales. Newton placed first in Environmental/Natural Resources. Freehold placed first in Floriculture, and Monmouth County placed first in Nursery Landscape.

K. Livestock and Dairy Judging CDEs

Livestock and Dairy Judging were held April 16th at Delaware Valley College. South Hunterdon placed first in Dairy Judging, and Phillipsburg placed first in Livestock.

L. Agriscience Fair

The Agriscience Fair will be held May 3rd at the Rutgers EcoComplex. Keely, Hanna, and Rachel will attend.

M. Chapter Visits

All chapter visits will be completed before state convention.

N. Association/Team Goal Updates

We’ve almost finished all of our team and association goals.

VII. New Business

A. H.O Sampson Chapter Recognition

Chapters are recognized for their participation in state-level FFA activities. Chapters can be ranked gold, silver, or bronze.

B. Honorary American Degree Nominations

Motion by Keely Weinberger to accept Mr. Rudderow and Mr. Walker as Honorary American Degree Nominations, and allow the 2011-2012 State Officer Team to decide the remaining slots.

Second by Julianne Robinson. Motion Passes.

C. Summer CDEs

The Dairy Handlers CDE and the Horse Judging CDE will be held at the Delaware State Fair in July. Registration is due no later than June 1.

D. Agricultural Issues Discussion

The EPA and Army Corps released a proposal this past week for public comment that would significantly expand federal regulatory authority under the Clean Water Act. The NJFB directors appointed Ms. Pat Hilton of Hunterdon County to the trustees of the New Jersey Agricultural Land Trust.

E. Member of the Month

Motion by Hanna Toft to make Heather Shinn of the Northern Burlington FFA Chapter the member of the month.

Seconded by Brianne Scholl. Motion Passes.

F. State Officer Mileage

Mileage for the month of May is due no later than 2:00 pm on June 6, 2011.

G. Other

If you are returning for executive committee, please email Mrs. Noble a letter of intent prior to state convention.

H. Other

Occurred at the May 16 Work Session

Motion by Rachel Layton to use Association funds to increase awards for Career Development Events at State Convention.

Seconded by Brianne Scholl. Motion Passes.

XIII. End of the Year Reflections

XIV. Closing Ceremonies

XV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

New Jersey FFA Association
Treasurer's Report for
April 2011

BEGINNING BALANCE: April1, 2011

\$71,849.68

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	\$ 23,530.00	\$ 1,476.00	\$ 14,791.15
	2	Contests	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 1,917.00	\$ 4,343.00
	3	General Supplies			
	4	State Officers	\$ 925.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 770.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 12,200.00		\$ 12,119.00
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 46,575.00	\$ 8,901.00	\$ 20,653.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,735.00	\$ 355.00	\$ 2,991.00
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 4,275.00	\$ 777.00	\$ 2,886.00
	9	National Leadership Conf.			
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 1,835.00
		Total Deposits	\$ 97,665.00	\$ 14,296.00	\$ 60,388.15
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	\$ 12,670.00		
	2	Contests	\$ 1,078.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,049.78
	3	General Supplies	\$ 3,220.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,714.17
	4	State Officers	\$ 10,603.00	\$ 3,485.78	\$ 12,425.27
	5	LEAD	\$ 11,146.00	\$ 3,055.50	\$ 17,022.97
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 42,479.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,900.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 7,411.00	\$ 558.00	\$ 8,553.44
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 3,952.00	\$ 985.00	\$ 6,471.83
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,065.00		\$ 2,065.00
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,041.00	\$ 166.50	\$ 3,812.00
		Total Expenses	\$ 97,665.00	\$ 12,100.78	\$ 57,014.46

Ending Balance: April 30, 2011

\$74,044.90

New Jersey FFA Association
Treasurer's Report for
March 2011

BEGINNING BALANCE: March 1, 2011

\$75,569.51

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	\$ 23,530.00	\$ 3,136.00	\$ 13,315.15
	2	Contests	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 629.00	\$ 2,426.00
	3	General Supplies			
	4	State Officers	\$ 925.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 725.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 965.00	\$ 12,119.00
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 46,575.00	\$ 893.00	\$ 11,752.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,735.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 2,636.00
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 4,275.00	\$ 1,589.00	\$ 2,109.00
	9	National Leadership Conf.			
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 1,010.00
		Total Deposits	\$ 97,665.00	\$ 7,475.00	\$ 46,092.15
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	\$ 12,670.00		
	2	Contests	\$ 1,078.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 699.78
	3	General Supplies	\$ 3,220.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 1,214.17
	4	State Officers	\$ 10,603.00	\$ 689.50	\$ 8,939.49
	5	LEAD	\$ 11,146.00		\$ 13,967.47
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 42,479.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 900.00
	7	National Convention	\$ 7,411.00	\$ 558.00	\$ 8,553.44
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 3,952.00	\$ 5,486.83	\$ 5,486.83
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,065.00		\$ 2,065.00
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 3,041.00	\$ 3,645.50	\$ 3,645.50
		Total Expenses	\$ 97,665.00	\$ 11,194.83	\$ 45,471.68

Ending Balance: March 31, 2011

\$71,849.68