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

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

DATE: January 22, 2010

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting
Monday, March 1, 2010 - 4:15 p.m.
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 Pede, Teacher Representative to the Executive Board, will have voting power at each meeting in 2009-2010.

AGENDA FOR THE MARCH STATE MEETING

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the February 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 – Annaliese Gancarz
 - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Eric Nelson
 - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Jessica Voll

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 – Keely Weinberger

VII. Foundation Report – Brianne Scholl

VIII. Alumni Report – Allison Karr

IX. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report – Hanna Toft

X. State CTE Advisory Committee – Eric Nelson

XI. Environmental Education: A Plan of Action – Hanna Toft

XII. Unfinished Business

A. Selection of Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Recipients – Brianne Scholl

B. State Ag Convention (February 9, 2010) – Hanna Toft

C. National FFA Week

a. ALLD (February 25, 2010) – Mark Boyko

b. Chapter Activities – Allison Karr

D. DVC Leadership Training (March 1, 2010) – Allison Karr

E. Horticulture Exposition/Floral Design (March 12 -14, 2010) – Jessica Voll

F. National Ag Day, Washington D.C. (March 18, 2010) – Brianne Scholl

G. State Convention Planning

a. Timeline – Keely Weinberger

b. Video Shoot – Eric Nelson

c. Potential SOC/Nom Com – Jessica Voll

H. Delegate Issues for State Convention – Brianne Scholl

I. Online Career Development Events – Eric Nelson

a. Farm Business Management & Forestry (March 24, 2010)

b. Meats Evaluation & Agronomy (March 31, 2010)

J. Livestock and Dairy Judging CDE (April 10, 2010) – Jessica Voll

K. Retiring Address Workshop (April 14, 2010) – Annaliese Gancarz

L. Spring CDEs (April 15, 2010) – Eric Nelson

M. Agriscience Fair (April 28, 2010) – Allison Karr

N. Chapter Visits – Allison Karr

O. Association/ Team Goal Updates – Eric Nelson

XIII. New Business

A. State Applications Judging – Mark Boyko

B. Member of the Month

C. State Officer Mileage

XIII. Closing Ceremonies

*Next State Meeting - Monday, April 5, 2010
New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Boardroom
4:15 p.m.*

**NJ FFA Association
Minutes of February 1, 2010**

I. Opening Ceremonies

Hanna Toft called the meeting to order at 4:13 pm. Voting members in attendance were Brianne Scholl, Jessica Voll, Eric Nelson, Allison Karr, Keely Weinberger, Mark Boyko and Annaliese Gancarz. In addition, Mrs. Erin Noble state staff attended.

Minutes from the January State Meeting

Motion by Jessica Voll that the Secretary's report be accepted as read.
Seconded by Brianne Scholl. Motion passes.

II. 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.

III. Guest Introduction and Attendance

Motion by Annaliese Gancarz to excuse Mr. Pede from the February State Meeting
Seconded by Mark Boyko. Motion passes.

Motion by Keely Weinberger have state meetings start at 4:15pm for the remainder of the year.

Seconded by Eric Nelson. Motion passes.

Brianne assumes the duties of the chair

IV. Committee Assignments

A. Constitution, Bylaws, & Program of Activities

No report.

B. Membership & Chapter Relations

No report.

C. State Leadership Activities and State Convention

No report.

D. State Applications

No Report.

The board discussed modifying the Member of the Month application. This topic we will be discussed at the state convention as committee work.

E. Career Development Evaluation and Review

No report.

Motion by Hanna Toft to allow middle school FFA members to compete in the 3-5 minute Prepared Speaking CDE.

Motion by Allison Karr. Motion passes.

F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review

No Report.

Hanna re-assumes the duties of the chair.

V. Executive Report

The executive committee participated in SOCS, and will be helping out with workshops at ALLD and at the Hort. Expo.

VI. Foundation Report

The Foundation is looking for more people to participate and serve on the board. The next meeting is April 13 when they will be picking the new officers.

VII. Alumni Report

The next meeting is February 13.

VIII. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report

The next meeting is February, 9, 2010 which is the State Agriculture Convention. In addition, Hanna will be presenting her speech to the convention delegates.

IX. State Career Technical Education Advisory Committee

The next meeting is February 23.

X. Environmental Education Committee

The next meeting is in February.

XI. Unfinished Business

A. Degree Workshop

Pam DeVito and Jessica Voll attended the American Degree workshop at the NJ Department of Agriculture. Mrs. Noble helped Pam and Jess put together their hours and finish their degree. Now they just have to print it out, get signatures, and send it in for state level approval.

B. Banquet Speech Workshop

More than thirty alumni, parents, family, and advisors showed their support to the State Officers by listening to their banquet speeches and providing feedback. It was a relaxing evening where some parents learned a lot about what FFA is about and how people grow from the State FFA Experience. The state officers are waiting for the feedback to fix and practice their speeches.

C. State Officer Candidates School

SOCS was held on January 30. The officers had a chance to work with twenty-one potential state officers and nominating committee members. We presented workshops on the eight officer competencies and we provided a mock nominating committee process.

D. State Ag. Convention

Hanna, Mark, and Keely will be attending the State Agriculture Convention. They will arrive at 5:30 pm. Hanna speaks at 3:30pm. People are welcome to the convention itself and will be a good time.

Motion by Allison that the Association pays for the State Agriculture dinner for Mark and Keely.

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

E. National FFA Week

A. ALLD

Advocacy and Legislature Leadership Day is February 25 at The College of New Jersey. The state officers will present workshops about key messages,

teaching agriculture, communication, parliamentary procedure and the delegate process. We need to get our outlines in as soon as possible because they are overdue and it is coming up fast.

B. Chapter Activities

State Officer request are pouring in! Eric is going to Allentown High School on February 24, Hanna is going to Penns Grove on February 24. BCIT is having a late morning event that we need more information for. If any other invites are sent to Mrs. Noble, she will send an e-mail or call for someone to travel to one of these events.

F. DVC Leadership Training

The DVC Leadership Training is March 1, 2010 at Delaware Valley College. The officers have talked about some ideas for the workshop. The outline is due on February 15, 2010 as well as any handouts.

G. Horticulture Exposition/Floral Design

The Horticultural Exposition will take place on March 12, 2010. In the folder there is a schedule for the Hort. Expo weekend. We went over each days and what the duties were throughout the weekend. Please arrive by 9:15pm on Thursday to help set up. Friday will be the where students bring their arrangements as well as the Floral Design CDE.

H. National Ag. Day, Washington DC

Keely, Brianne, and Jessica will be heading to Washington D.C. to meet with senators and representatives to give important key messages and learn about more important information on agriculture. There is also a National Ag Day Luncheon event. This will be on Thursday, March 18, 2010.

I. Retiring Address Workshop

The Retiring Address Workshop is Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 5:00 pm at the Department of Agriculture. The Alumni and State Staff will be working with the State Officers to improve their speeches and their speech delivery. This will be on the spot feedback unlike the banquet speech workshop.

J. Potential State Officers/Nom Com

The team reviewed people for the nominating committee and state officer team that attended SOCS and others who were interested. Continue to encourage potential state officer candidates.

K. State Convention Planning

There are specific dates that things need to be handed in by. Some things are overdue so please get them in. March 27 is the date that we are doing the videos. If the officers keep missing the due dates they will get backed up fast. The next due date is February 12. Mark also reviewed his idea to modify the Ice Cream Social by having an Olympic Night. He needs to research more into it and see where it takes us.

Motion by Eric Nelson to keep the cost of registration at \$135.12.

Seconded by Keely Weinberger. **Motion passes.**

L. Chapter Visits

The officers reviewed schools that need chapter visits. Eric will try to get a hold of Sussex County. There are 11 chapters left for the state officers to visit so keep up the work!

M. Association/Team goals

The Art Competition still needs a sponsor for the award money. The team bonding activity needs to be rescheduled.

XII. New Business

A. Selection of Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Recipients

Motion by Annaliese Gancarz to give Marilyn Patterson, Chris Nnadi, Joe Clark, Kent Karamichael, Troy Joshua, Janice Galbraith, Jean Nicoletta, Richard Lawrence, and Robin Sternal the Honorary State Degree at the 81st State FFA Convention.

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

Motion by Eric Nelson to give the Union County Board of Ag. and the Cape May Board of Ag. the Distinguished Service Award.

Seconded by Allison Karr.

Amendment by Brianne Scholl to add Delaware State FFA Association.

Seconded by Allison Karr. **Amendment passes. Main motion as amended passes.**

B. Delegate Issues for State Convention

Delegate Issues are being discussed for State Convention which takes place in May. At state convention the 2010 delegates will vote on what should be sent to the 2010-2011 Executive Committee to work with.

C. Online Career Development Events

a. Farm Business Management and Forestry

These CDEs will be taking place on March 24, 2010. The chapters will take them some time during the day.

b. Meats Evaluation and Agronomy

These new CDEs will be taking place online in April.

D. Spring CDE's

The Spring CDEs are April 15, 2010 at Rutgers University. Coverage at each CDE is as follows:

Environmental/Natural Resources – Eric and Hanna; Floriculture – Allison and Brianne; Nursery/Landscape – Mark; Ag Mechanics – Annaliese; Ag Sales – Jessica

E. Livestock and Dairy Judging

Brianne and Eric will be attending this event on April 10, 2010. Brianne will go to Livestock and Eric will go to Dairy Judging.

F. Agriscience Fair

The Agriscience Fair is April 28 at the Rutgers Eco-Complex which starts at 3pm. Brianne can definitely attend this event. Allison, Eric and Annaliese will let Mrs. Noble know as soon as they can find out.

G. Member of the Month

Motion by Keely Weinberger to make Julianne Robinson the February Member of the Month.

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

H. State Officer mileage

Keep getting it in!

XIII. Closing Ceremonies

XIV. Miscellaneous

Motion by Mark Boyko to allow \$100 of association money be spent on a new camera for the association.

Seconded by Eric Nelson. **Motion passes.**

XV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

New Jersey FFA Association
Treasurer's Report for
January 2010

BEGINNING BALANCE: January 1, 2010

\$89,418.13

| 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 | \$ 3,091.00 | \$ 4,037.00 |
| | 2 | Contests | \$ 4,500.00 | \$ 750.00 | \$ 3,163.00 |
| | 3 | General Supplies | | | |
| | 4 | State Officers | \$ 225.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 113.00 |
| | 5 | LEAD | \$ 10,400.00 | | \$ 8,742.00 |
| | 6 | State Convention - Regis. | \$ 46,575.00 | | \$ 23,126.80 |
| | 7 | National Convention | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 520.00 | \$ 2,320.00 |
| | 8 | Hort Expo | \$ 4,400.00 | | \$ 303.00 |
| | 9 | National Leadership Conf. | | | |
| | 10 | State Leadership Event | \$ 3,375.00 | | |
| | | Total Deposits | \$ 91,583.00 | \$ 4,406.00 | \$ 41,804.80 |
| | | | | | |
| 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 | \$ 50.00 | \$ 50.00 |
| | 2 | Contests | \$ 403.00 | \$ 407.50 | \$ 407.50 |
| | 3 | General Supplies | \$ 2,401.00 | | \$ 2,024.74 |
| | 4 | State Officers | \$ 8,556.00 | \$ 480.50 | \$ 4,303.15 |
| | 5 | LEAD | \$ 11,345.00 | | \$ 6,393.51 |
| | 6 | State Convention - Regis. | \$ 46,365.00 | \$ 1,069.00 | \$ 1,069.00 |
| | 7 | National Convention | \$ 5,427.00 | \$ 1,157.28 | \$ 7,493.80 |
| | 8 | Hort Expo | \$ 3,890.00 | | |
| | 9 | National Leadership Conf. | \$ 1,015.00 | | \$ 725.00 |
| | 10 | State Leadership Event | \$ 3,041.00 | | |
| | | Total Expenses | \$ 91,583.00 | \$ 3,164.28 | \$ 22,466.70 |

Ending Balance: January 31, 2010

\$90,659.85

**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> |
|-------------------|---------------|---|------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| October | | | | | |
| 2 | | Salem Co. Bd of Vocational Education | 1001 | \$ 27.00 | |
| | | Gloucester Co Special Services | 93131 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | Camden Co. Tech. Schools | 4299 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | Buena Regional School District | 7075 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | Warren Hills Regional School | 14577 | \$ 72.00 | |
| | | BCIT- Westampton | 10790 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 243.00 |
| 5 | | BCIT - Westampton | 016155 | \$ 936.00 | |
| | | Penns Grove High School | 0732 | \$ 520.00 | |
| | | Edward Grinshpun | 2586 | \$ 104.00 | |
| | | William Jeffery | 4610 | \$ 104.00 | |
| | | Paul Robb | 1205 | \$ 104.00 | |
| | | Sharon Barresi | 4377 | \$ 104.00 | |
| | | Kimberly Desrochers | 245 | \$ 10.00 | |
| | | Warren Hills | 014443 | \$ 1,352.00 | |
| | | Monmouth Co. Career Center | 308 | \$ 728.00 | |
| | | North Warren Regional | 026932 | \$ 728.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 4,690.00 |
| 6 | | Newton High School | 3775 | \$ 1,547.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 1,547.00 |
| 7 | | Cape May | 3391 | \$ 300.00 | |
| | | Woodstown Pilesgrove Regional School | 3935 | \$ 150.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ -450.00 |
| | | | | \$ 6,930.00 | \$ 32,169.80 |
| November | | | | | |
| 2 | | Essex Cty Voc. School | 1113 | \$ 108.00 | |
| | | Cumberland Regional | 4252 | \$ 70.00 | |
| | | Monmouth Co. Career Center | 329 | \$ 72.00 | |
| | | Cumberland Regional | 4196 | \$ 108.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 358.00 |
| 5 | | Woodstown | 4027 | \$ 1,248.00 | |
| | | Allentown | 114 | \$ 1,144.00 | |
| | | Salem Co. Bd of Voc/Educ. | 1009 | \$ 936.00 | |
| | | Union Co. Voc Tech Schools | 314360 | \$ 624.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 3,952.00 |
| 7 | | Northern Burlington | 5064 | \$ 195.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 195.00 |
| | | | | \$ 4,505.00 | \$ 36,674.80 |
| December | | | | | |
| 2 | | Bd of Education Ocean | 12698 | \$ 107.00 | |
| | | Allentown | 146 | \$ 72.00 | |
| | | Phillipsburg | 7005 | \$ 70.00 | |
| | | Hackettstown | 6938 | \$ 72.00 | |
| | | Phillipsburg | 7043 | \$ 108.00 | |
| | | Cape May | 3682 | \$ 70.00 | |
| | | North Warren | 27075 | \$ 170.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 669.00 |
| 7 | | Woodstown | 4051 | \$ 55.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 55.00 |
| | | | | \$ 724.00 | \$ 37,398.80 |
| January | | | | | |
| 1 | | Newton Board of Education | 032026 | \$ 2,079.00 | |
| | | Warren Hills Regional | 027615 | \$ 616.00 | |
| | | Burlington Co. Inst. Of Techn | 1027 | \$ 396.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 3,091.00 |
| 2 | | Newton Board of Education | 032026 | \$ 144.00 | |
| | | Union Co. Voc Tech Schools | 314682 | \$ 72.00 | |
| | | Northern Burlington | 5174 | \$ 218.00 | |
| | | Somerset Co Voc & Tech | 1458 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | Belvidere | 1806 | \$ 108.00 | |
| | | Salem Co. Bd of Voc/Educ. | 1019 | \$ 36.00 | |
| | | South Hunterdon | 006607 | \$ 136.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 750.00 |
| 4 | | Laura Tarlowe | 1085 | \$ 18.00 | |
| | | Ernest Arains | 1729 | \$ 9.00 | |
| | | Buena Regional | 7127 | \$ 18.00 | |
| | | | | | \$ 45.00 |
| 7 | | Allentown High School | 159 | \$ 105.00 | |
| | | Newton Board of Education | 032026 | \$ 175.00 | |
| | | National Ffa Foundation (Delegate travel) | 153115 | \$ 240.00 | |
| | | | | \$ 4,406.00 | \$ 520.00 |
| | | | | | \$ -41,804.80 |

| New Jersey FFA Expenditures for FY 2010 | | | | |
|--|--|-------|--------------|--------------|
| Date | Description | Note* | Amount | Total |
| Dues/Memberships | | | | |
| 12/17/09 | NJ Ag Society membership | | \$ 50.00 | |
| | | | | \$ 50.00 |
| Contests | | | | |
| 01/28/10 | ScranTron Cards | | \$ 345.00 | |
| 01/28/10 | Rental of MPR rooms | | \$ 62.50 | |
| | | | | \$ 407.50 |
| General Supplies | | | | |
| 08/17/09 | Color toners, easel pads | | \$ 718.57 | |
| 08/18/09 | Erin Noble - Reimbursement for SO Business Cards | | \$ 111.61 | |
| 10/14/09 | Bell Promo - travel mugs | | \$ 460.84 | |
| 11/24/09 | American Income Life Insurance | | \$ 677.12 | |
| 12/09/09 | Vista Print - Xmas cards | | \$ 56.60 | |
| | | | | \$ 2,024.74 |
| State Officers | | | | |
| 08/27/09 | National FFA - SO Jackets, scrafs, key chains, Thankyou notes | | \$ 586.50 | |
| 08/21/09 | National FFA - SO Jackets- Eric & Hanna redo | | \$ 148.00 | |
| 10/02/09 | National FFA - SO LS Shirts | | \$ 129.00 | |
| 10/14/09 | National FFA - M.Boyko shirt | | \$ 20.95 | |
| 10/15/09 | National FFA - Registration for J.Voll at SPC | | \$ 575.00 | |
| 12/16/09 | E.Nelson - mileage reimbursement | | \$ 142.54 | |
| 12/16/09 | H.Toft - mileage reimbursement | | \$ 1,040.36 | |
| 12/16/09 | A.Karr- mileage reimbursement | | \$ 388.68 | |
| 12/16/09 | J.Voll-mileage reimbursement | | \$ 447.86 | |
| 12/16/09 | B.Scholl-mileage reimbursement | | \$ 343.76 | |
| 01/05/10 | K.Weinberger - mileage reimbr. | | \$ 285.20 | |
| 01/05/10 | A.Gancarz- mileage reimb. | | \$ 96.10 | |
| 01/05/10 | M.Boyko - mileage reimb. | | \$ 99.20 | |
| | | | | \$ 4,303.15 |
| Leadership Experience and Development | | | | |
| 11/05/09 | YMCA - Camp Ralph Mason - Lodging & Meals | | \$ 6,272.00 | |
| 11/25/09 | A. Gancauz - LEAD supplies | | \$ 22.04 | |
| 12/16/09 | K.Weinberger - COLT supplies | | \$ 99.47 | |
| State Convention | | | | |
| 01/28/10 | First Coast Promo- Blue Tie Died Shirts | | \$ 1,069.00 | |
| | | | | \$ 6,393.51 |
| State Convention Awards | | | | |
| | | | | \$ 1,069.00 |
| National Convention | | | | |
| 07/07/09 | National FFA - CDE registration | | \$ 630.00 | |
| 07/06/09 | National FFA - Lodging Room deposits | | \$ 1,100.00 | |
| 09/09/09 | Susan Butch- Delg. & SO Airline Tickets to Indianapolis | | \$ 793.15 | |
| 09/09/09 | FFA Alumni Association - Balance of SO Airline Tickets to Indy | | \$ 187.65 | |
| 01/08/10 | Nat. FFA - Lodging for A.Keggan at Nat.Convention | | \$ 395.85 | |
| 01/28/10 | Conseco Field House - Suite Food | | \$ 761.43 | |
| 11/10/09 | Hyatt Regency, Indy, IN - Balance of NJ FFA Breakfast | | \$ 1,938.64 | |
| 11/10/09 | Big E Registration 3 @ \$10 | | \$ 30.00 | |
| 11/23/09 | The Westin - SO lodging rooms during Nat. Convention | | \$ 1,417.08 | |
| 11/18/09 | National FFA - Registration for SO | | \$ 200.00 | |
| 11/25/09 | H.Toft - baggage reimbursement | | \$ 40.00 | |
| | | | | \$ 7,493.80 |
| Hort Expo | | | | |
| | | | | \$ - |
| Leadership Event | | | | |
| | | | | \$ - |
| National Leadership Conference | | | | |
| 09/14/09 | Pennsylvania FFA - Registration for NLCSO for SO | | \$ 725.00 | |
| | | | | \$ 725.00 |
| Grand Total | | | \$ 22,466.70 | \$ 22,466.70 |