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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: Chase Sherburne, State FFA President
Jenny Allen, State FFA Specialist
Erin Noble, State FFA Advisor

DATE: October 25, 2023

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting
Monday, November 13, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.
1st Floor NJDA Conference Room, Trenton, NJ

All State Executive Board Members must attend this meeting. If these individuals cannot attend, they should call Mrs. Noble at 877-243-3332 and give the reason for receiving an excused absence. Mr. Dale Cruzan will fill the teacher representative on the Executive Board and have voting power at each meeting in 2023-2024.

AGENDA FOR THE NOVEMBER STATE MEETING

- I. **Opening Ceremonies**
- II. **Minutes from the October State Meeting**
- III. **Treasurer's Report**
- IV. **Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. **Committee Reports**
 - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities, State Convention Evaluation & State Applications – Jonathan Finney
 - B. Membership, Chapter & Relations and State Leadership Activities – Chase Sherburne
 - C. Career and Leadership Development Evaluation and Review – Julia Moreno
 - D. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Maisie Shimko
- VI. **Parliamentary Procedure Report** – Chase Sherburne
- VII. **Executive Committee Report** – Jonathan Finney
- VIII. **Foundation Report** – Julia Moreno

- IX. State FFA Alumni & Supporters Report** – Chase Sherburne
- X. Food, Agriculture, & Natural Resources Education Advisory Council Report** – Maisie Shimko
- XI. New Jersey Agricultural Society Report** – Jonathan Finney
- XII. Equine Advisory Board** – Maisie Shimko
- XIII. New Jersey Association of Agriculture Educators** – Mr. Dale Cruzan
- XIV. Unfinished Business**
 - A. Leadership Experience and Development Conference Review – Maisie Shimko
 - B. 96th National FFA Convention – Chase Sherburne
 - C. New Jersey Farm Bureau Convention (November 13-14, 2023) – Chase Sherburne
 - D. Fall Career Development Events (November 17, 2023) – Julia Moreno
 - E. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers (January 3-15, 2024) – Maisie Shimko
 - F. Chapter Visit Updates – Chase Sherburne
 - G. Team Goal Action Plan – Chase Sherburne
- XV. New Business**
 - A. Checkpoint #2 (December 1-2, 2023) – Julia Moreno
 - B. Mission Conference “Member Leadership Series” (December 9, 2023) – Chase Sherburne
 - C. Holiday Party – Maisie Shimko
 - D. Banquet Speech Workshop (January 19, 2024) – Chase Sherburne
 - E. State Officer Candidates’ School (January 27, 2024) – Julia Moreno
 - F. Agricultural Education/Agricultural Issues Discussion – Maisie Shimko
 - G. Member of the Month – Jonathan Finney
 - H. State Officer Mileage – Julia Moreno
- XVI. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting- December 4, 2023
New Jersey Department of Ag Building
4:00 pm.*

**New Jersey FFA Association
Minutes from the October 2, 2023 Meeting**

I. Opening Ceremonies

Chase Sherburne called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. The voting members in attendance were Maisie Shimko, Chase Sherburne, Julia Moreno, Jonathan Finney, and Mr. Cruzan. State Staff in attendance were Mrs. Noble and Ms. McCluskey.

II. Minutes from September State Meeting

Motion by Julia Moreno to dispense with the reading of the meeting minutes and approve them as distributed.

Motion by Maisie Shimko Motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Report

The opening balance for the month was \$72,323.86 and the closing balance was \$69,387.75

Motion by Jonathan Finney to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

Motion passed pending audit.

IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance

No guests were present.

V. Committee Reports

A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program Activities and State Convention Evaluation

No report.

B. Membership, Chapter & Relations, and State Leadership Activities

No report.

C. Career and Leadership Development Evaluation & Review

No report.

D. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation & Review

No report.

VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report

Chase demonstrated "point of order." This is where you are officially correcting something in someone's use of parliamentary procedure. You would call out "point of order" and wait to be recognized by the chair and say whatever you need corrected.

VII. Executive Committee Report

Jonathan Finney asked the state officers their word of the month. He also asked the officers how the Leadership Experience and Development Conference planning was going and what they were looking forward to most with this conference.

VIII. Foundation Report

The next meeting is Tuesday, October 10 at 6 pm at the NJDA.

IX. State FFA Alumni & Supporters Report

The next meeting is Wednesday, October 11 at 6 pm.

- X. Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Advisory Council Report**
No report.
- XI. New Jersey Agriculture Society Report**
The Agriculture Society is starting to drum up their social media accounts. They recently celebrated Gleaning Week. They are also working on getting newsletters to their members and beginning to brainstorm fundraiser ideas. They currently have 71,000 Facebook followers. They are also looking to vote in 6 new board members.
- XII. Equine Advisory Board**
The Equine Fair is happening soon. The Garden State Horse and Carriage club is having a hot chocolate event. The Monmouth Hunt Club is having a barn party coming up soon. Their next meeting will be October 18th.
- XIII. New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators**
The Fall Ag Ed conference was held September 29 at the Rutgers EcoComplex. Where Agricultural Educators across the state come to participate in various professional development activities throughout the day. Some topics included highlighting the usage of AET and how to market programs, and FFA educator resources. At their meeting, they decided on their delegates for the NAAE conference in Phoenix, AZ. The next meeting is November 14th.
- XIV. Unfinished Business**
- A. Eastern State Exposition**
The Essex County, Salem Tech, Phillipsburg, and South Hunterdon FFA Chapters competed at the Big E, which was held on September 15-16 in Massachusetts. Although no one took home top honors, it was an invaluable learning experience for all.
- B. Fall Ag Ed Conference**
Agricultural teachers from across the state came together for a day of professional development activities on September 29. There was a chance for advisors to 'TAG' students who express an interest in becoming a future agricultural teacher. Chase delivered a speech to the teachers based on this year's state theme and brought greetings from the state officer team.
- C. Leadership Experience and Development Conference**
- a. Impact Conference**
- i. Chapter Officer Leadership(COLT)**
The State Officers had their dry-run last week and are working hard to put in last minute preparations for the conference.
- ii. Leadership Opportunities Conference(LOC)**
Alumni President, Jamie Specca, will facilitate the LOC portion of LEAD.
- b. State Greenhand Conference(SGC)**
Jon Finney, Emily Sadlon, and Ivan Moore are preparing for the State Greenhand Conference. Each of them will also facilitate a team building activity.
- c. Timeline**
The state officers reviewed the timeline for the conference, which included final deadlines for the state officers.

D. Vineland Chapter Chartering

The Vineland Chapter chartering ceremony is at 9 am on October 18th at Vineland High School. State Officers are memorizing the chartering ceremony and will play an instrumental role in the day's activities. More information will be provided shortly.

E. 96th National FFA Convention

a. Delegates

Chase, Maisie, and Julia are all delegates for the convention, Jonathan Finney is an alternate delegate that will be going with us.

b. Flag Bearer

Maisie Shimko will be the flag bearer at National Convention and has received information regarding their duties.

c. State Suite

We will have a State Suite this year where we will welcome our chapters to partake in viewing the sessions. This is also an opportunity to get to know the members and build relationships with those attending the National FFA Convention.

d. Recognition Program

We will recognize those who are receiving their honorary degrees, CDE winners, provide inspirational remarks and encourage members to engage with all of the convention's offerings while enjoying a breakfast sponsored by Rutgers.

F. Delegate Process Written/Oral Testimony

The state officers are expected to prepare written testimony for all of the committees and prepare oral testimony for the committees that NJ is not represented on.

G. Fall Career Development Events

The fall CDE's will be held at Rutgers University on November 16. The day will consist of Milk Quality and Products, Fruits and Vegetables, Land Judging, Turf Management, and Forestry.

H. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers

Maisie Shimko was selected to attend ILSSO. They will be fundraising the money by asking for donations and making and selling pillows. This year ILSSO is in Australia.

I. Calendar of Events

The calendar of events has been finalized and can be found on the state website under the section titled calendar of events. It has the dates of all the events and meetings being held this year.

J. Chapter Visits

The state officers updated the chapter visit spread sheet. Officers were reminded to send follow-up emails to teachers who have not responded.

K. Team Goal Action Plan

The team went over their goals and decided who would be putting in an action plan for each goal. There are still some goals and action steps missing.

XV. New Business

A. New Jersey State Grange Annual Meeting

The State Officers might be asked to the annual meeting that is usually held at the end of October, at the Holiday Inn Select Hotel in Swedesboro, NJ. We are awaiting an invite.

B. New Jersey Farm Bureau Convention

Members of the Farm Bureau will be discussing different ag topics in the State. They will also be preparing for the National Farm Conference, and Chase will be speaking at the State meeting.

C. Agricultural Education/Agricultural Issues Discussion

Shore residents are against the development of windmills along the shoreline because it could affect it drastically. It is believed this development will harm the animals that live in the ocean. There have been several instances of whales washing up on the beaches. This could also affect how the animals and fish migrate and affect how they eat.

D. Member of the Month

The Executive Board evaluated Member of the Month applications.

Motion by Jonathan Finney to select Chloe Eachus of the Woodstown FFA Chapter as October's Member of the Month.

Seconded by Maisie Shimko. Motion passes.

E. State Officer Mileage

All of the State Officers had turned in their mileage for the month of September.

XVI. Closing Ceremonies

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm. The next meeting will be held November 13, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

10:08 AM

October 2, 2023

Cash Basis

NJ FFA Association
Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger
As of September 30, 2023

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Split	Original Amount	Paid Amount	Balance
FFA							72,323.86 1
Deposit	09/06/2023		Deposit	-SPLIT-	265.00	265.00	72,588.86
Deposit	09/18/2023		Deposit	-SPLIT-	90.00	90.00	72,678.86
Check	09/18/2023	National FFA Org	LEAD Conference materials	P5 (LEAD - Expense)	-195.25	-195.25	72,483.61
Check	09/18/2023	National FFA Org	handbooks for all students	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-2,035.00	-2,035.00	70,448.61
Check	09/19/2023	Bank of America	Selective Insurance - supplemental insuranc...	P3 (General Supplies - Expense)	-955.86	-955.86	69,492.75
Check	09/19/2023	Bank of America	Allstate Motorclub - J Finney renewal	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-105.00	-105.00	69,387.75
Total FFA						-2,936.11	69,387.75
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