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## **New Jersey FFA Association CONNECT. ENGAGE. TRANSFORM.**

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

FROM: Jonathan Finney, State FFA President  
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Advisor

DATE: September 26, 2022

RE: State FFA Executive Board Meeting  
**Monday, October 3, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.**  
1<sup>st</sup> 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) 913-6495 and give the reason to receive an excused absence. Mr. Dale Cruzan will fill the teacher representative on the Executive Board and will have voting power at each meeting in 2022-2023.

### **AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER STATE MEETING**

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the September State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer's Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
  - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities and State Convention Evaluation – Emily Sadlon
  - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Loriann De Sousa Rego
  - C. State Leadership Activities and State Applications – Alexis Stretch-Huff
  - D. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Chase Sherburne
  - E. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Jonathan Finney
- VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report** – Jonathan Finney
- VII. Executive Committee Report** – Emily Sadlon
- VIII. Foundation Report** – Jonathan Finney

- IX. Alumni & Supporters Association Report** – Jonathan Finney
- X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report** – Chase Sherburne
- XI. New Jersey Agricultural Society Report** – Alexis Stretch-Huff
- XII. Equine Advisory Board Report** – Loriann De Sousa Rego
- XIII. New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators** – Mr. Dale Cruzan
- XIV. Unfinished Business**
  - A. Springfield Community Day (September 25, 2022) – Jonathan Finney
  - B. Fall Ag Ed Conference (September 30, 2022) – Jonathan Finney
  - C. Leadership Experience and Development Conference (October 7-8, 2022)
    - a. 'I Am' Curriculum
      - i. Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) – Loriann De Sousa Rego
      - ii. Leadership Opportunities Conference (LOC) – Alexis Stretch-Huff
    - b. State Greenhand Conference (SGC) – Emily Sadlon
    - c. Timeline – Loriann De Sousa Rego
  - D. 95<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention (October 26-29, 2022)
    - a. Flag Bearer – Jonathan Finney
    - b. Delegates – Loriann De Sousa Rego
    - c. Hall of States – Alexis Stretch-Huff
    - d. State Suite – Chase Sherburne
    - e. Recognition Program – Jonathan Finney
  - E. Delegate Process Written/Oral Testimony – Alexis Stretch-Huff
  - F. Fall Career Development Events (November 17, 2022) – Chase Sherburne
  - G. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers (January 2-15, 2023) – Alexis Stretch-Huff
  - H. Chapter Visits – Loriann De Sousa Rego
  - I. Team Goal Action Plan – Jonathan Finney
- XV. New Business**
  - A. New Jersey State Grange Annual Meeting – Loriann De Sousa Rego
  - B. New Jersey Farm Bureau Convention (November 14-15, 2022) – Chase Sherburne
  - C. Agricultural Education/Agricultural Issues Discussion – Jonathan Finney
  - D. Member of the Month – Emily Sadlon
  - E. State Officer Mileage – Chase Sherburne
- XVI. Closing Ceremonies**

***Next State Meeting – November 7, 2022***  
***1<sup>st</sup> Floor NJDA Board Room, Trenton, NJ***  
***4:00 p.m.***

**New Jersey FFA Association  
Minutes from the September 12, 2022 Meeting**

**I. Opening Ceremonies**

Jonathan Finney called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. The voting members in attendance were Jonathan Finney, Alexis Stretch-Huff, Emily Sadlon, Chase Sherburne, Loriann De Sousa Rego, and Mr. Dale Cruzan. State Staff in attendance were Mrs. Noble and Ms. McCluskey.

**II. Minutes from August State Meeting**

**Motion by Chase Sherburne** to dispense with the reading of the meeting minutes and approve them as distributed.

**Seconded by Emily Sadlon. Motion passes.**

**III. Treasurer's Report**

**Motion by Alexis Stretch-Huff** to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

**Motion passes pending audit.**

Ms. McCluskey reviewed the budget and the 2022 Outstanding FFA Chapter Accounts

**IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**

No guests present.

**Motion by Chase Sherburne** to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Alloway-Hunter.

**Seconded by Alexis Stretch-Huff. Motion Passes.**

**V. Committee Assignments**

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

Emily Sadlon was assigned as the new chair. No report.

**B. Membership & Chapter Relations**

No report.

**C. State Leadership Activities and State Applications**

No report. The committee will look into adopting a more simplistic Proficiency Award Application.

**E. CDE and LDE Evaluation & Review**

No report. The committee will look into requiring an exam for new members of national qualifying teams to replace the 60% rule as recommended by the delegates at the state convention. This action needs approval by the executive committee.

**F. Horticulture Exposition Evaluation & Review**

No report.

**VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report**

Jonathan went over the meaning and usage of the motion "Previous Question".

**VII. Executive Committee Report**

Emily led a team discussion on LEAD preparation, and remembering the reasons why we made the decision to run for state office to keep us motivated.

**VIII. Foundation Report**

No report was given. Jonathan was named the new representative for the committee. Next meeting is October 11.

**IX. State FFA Alumni & Supporters Report**

The committee met on August 10th to discuss a fundraising event at Colonial Bowl. They discussed the golf tournament turnout, and they elected their new officers. The Alumni is still looking for a president-elect and public relations chair. The next meeting is October 12.

**X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report**

No report.

**XI. New Jersey Agriculture Society Report**

No report.

**XII. Equine Advisory Board**

The committee met August 17<sup>th</sup>. They discussed the fairs and inhumane animal treatment. They discussed a reindeer run to be held in December. They also discussed their TikTok account. The next meeting will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

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

The committee met in August to discuss the NAAE convention, the POA for the year, and the national policy seminar which will be held in Washington D.C.

**XIV. Unfinished Business**

**A. Eastern States Exposition**

Two students from Allentown (Kylie Byrne and Ryan Wright) will be representing the state of New Jersey. Results will be released this weekend.

**B. Leadership Experience and Development Conference**

**a. 'I Am' Curriculum**

**i. Chapter Officer Leadership Training**

All officers have submitted their individual officer workshops.

**ii. Leadership & Opportunities Conference**

Hannah Mann is working on finalizing content for this conference.

**b. State Greenhand Conference**

Emily and Talia Priore will be hosting this conference and they will be meeting September 13th to discuss/ finalize workshops.

**c. Timeline**

State Officers are encouraged to keep up with assignments listed on the timeline. Work session meeting will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> when several more items are due.

**C. 95th National FFA Convention**

**a. Flag Bearer**

Jon will have a practice Tuesday night and will present the flag at Session 1.

**b. Delegates**

Chase, Loriann, and Jonathan are the delegates. More information will come out from national FFA regarding responsibilities.

**c. Hall of States**

Allentown will be responsible for putting the booth together and the scholarship winner from Woodstown will help host. Each officer will have at least one shift to help with the booth.

**d. State Suite**

Chase will be the main host for the suite.

**e. Recognition Program**

Jonathan is working on assigning each officer their part of the program. More information will be shared about this at a later time.

**D. International Leadership Seminar for State Officers**

No state officers applied for the experience.

**XV. New Business**

**A. Team Goals Action Plan**

The team worked together to develop team and association goals. The team has put together a LEAD promo video to be posted on both social media and YouTube to promote the event. Chase also mentioned doing a Stereotypes themed CDE video. Officers have not made any progress on the team bonding experiences. The goal is to do so as soon as possible. The team has been meeting to discuss team needs at night. The chapter visit emails should be out by September 15th.

**B. Chapter Visits**

Chapter visit emails should be sent out by the 15th of September.

**C. Calendar of Events**

Dates are confirmed for all state events, locations are to be determined.

**D. Springfield Community Day**

Jonathan will be responsible for introducing a cow and opening the tractor parade. No other new information was gathered.

**E. Delegate Process & Written/Oral Testimony**

Each member of the executive board will play a role in the delegate process. Each person will be responsible for developing written testimony for one of the committees. In addition, each of the three delegates will be attending two committees to give an oral testimony and Lexi will be involved by providing public testimony.

**F. Fall Ag Ed Conference**

Jon will attend the Fall Ag Ed Conference and provide motivational speech to the teachers.

**G. Fall Career Development Events**

Fall CDEs will be held on November 17 and include Forestry, Land Judging, Milk Quality and Products, Turf Management, and Fruits and Vegetables. Jon will be at Forestry, Emily will be at Fruits and Veggies, Chase will be at Land Judging, Lexi will be at Turf Management, and Loriann will be at Milk Quality and Products. More information will come later.

**H. Agricultural Education/ Agricultural Issues Discussion**

77% of water is unsafe for drinking, bathing, swimming, or any use for humans or animals.

**I. Member of the Month**

**Motion by Emily Sadlon** to accept Callie Foote from the Woodstown FFA chapter as the September member of the month.

**Seconded by Alexis Stretch-Huff. Motion passes.**

**J. State Officer Mileage**

Chase and Loriann both submitted their mileage reports.

**XVI. Closing Ceremonies**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.

**NJ FFA Association**  
**Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger**  
**As of August 31, 2022**

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Split	Original Amount	Paid Amount	Balance
<b>FFA</b>							144,408.08 <b>1</b>
Deposit	08/02/2022		Deposit	-SPLIT-	3,574.70	3,574.70	147,982.78
Check	08/02/2022	Pandora Diner	Basecamp dinner	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-127.55	-127.55	147,855.23
Check	08/02/2022	Allstate Motor Club	Motorclub - Sherburne	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-79.00	-79.00	147,776.23
Check	08/02/2022	Allstate Motor Club	Motorclub - De Sousa Rego	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-79.00	-79.00	147,697.23
Check	08/02/2022	Allstate Motor Club	Motorclub - Alloway-Hunter	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-79.00	-79.00	147,618.23
Check	08/02/2022	Allstate Motor Club	Motorclub - Stretch-Huff	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-79.00	-79.00	147,539.23
Check	08/02/2022	First Coast Promotions	convention t-shirts and pins	P6 (State Convention - Expense)	-2,121.25	-2,121.25	145,417.98
Check	08/02/2022	Acme	Checkpoint I lunches	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-112.81	-112.81	145,305.17
Check	08/02/2022	Moe's	Checkpoint I dinner	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-94.31	-94.31	145,210.86
Check	08/02/2022	Texas Roadhouse	Checkpoint I dinner	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-121.14	-121.14	145,089.72
Check	08/02/2022	China Grill	Checkpoint I dinner	P4 (State Officers - Expense)	-131.75	-131.75	144,957.97
Deposit	08/06/2022		Deposit	Undeposited Funds	336.00		145,293.97
Check	08/08/2022	National FFA Organizat...	Summit registration for State Officers	P9 (SO Continnum - Expense)	-2,000.00	-2,000.00	143,293.97
Check	08/11/2022	National FFA Organizat...	National Convention CDE registration	P7 (National Conven. - Expense)	-960.00	-960.00	142,333.97
Deposit	08/24/2022		Deposit	-SPLIT-	562.30	562.30	142,896.27
Deposit	08/29/2022		Deposit	-SPLIT-	4,239.00	4,239.00	147,135.27
Check	08/29/2022	National FFA Organizat...	(10) Official FFA Manuals - mailed directly t...	P1 (Dues/Memberships-Expense)	-500.00	-500.00	146,635.27
Check	08/29/2022	National FFA Organizat...	(9) Official FFA Manuals - mailed directly to ...	P1 (Dues/Memberships-Expense)	-450.00	-450.00	146,185.27
Total FFA						1,777.19	146,185.27
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>1,777.19</b>	<b>146,185.27 <b>2</b></b>

9:37 AM

September 1, 2022

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**NJ FFA Association**  
**Monthly State Meetings - General Ledger**  
As of August 31, 2022

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1. Opening Balance on August 1, 2022 was \$144,408.08
  
2. Closing Balance on August 31, 2022 was \$146,185.27

## NJ FFA Association FFA Monthly Budget Summary July 2022 through June 2023

	Jul '22 - Jun 23	YTD Budget	\$ Under / Over Budget	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>				
P1 Dues/Memberships (Income)	325.00	52,175.00	-51,850.00	52,175.00
P2 CDEs (Income)	124.00	2,035.00	-1,911.00	2,035.00
P3 General Supplies (Income)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
P4 State Officers (Income)	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
P5 LEAD (Income)	0.00	36,953.00	-36,953.00	36,953.00
P6 State Convention (Income)	4,522.00	61,020.00	-56,498.00	61,020.00
P7 National Convention (Income)	1,500.00	2,960.00	-1,460.00	2,960.00
P8 Horticulture Expo (income)	0.00	3,400.00	-3,400.00	3,400.00
P9 SO Continnum (Income)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
P10 ALLD (Income)	336.00	3,901.00	-3,565.00	3,901.00
P11 Mission Conf (Income)	0.00	3,750.00	-3,750.00	3,750.00
P12 SOCS (Income)	0.00	11.00	-11.00	11.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>6,907.00</b>	<b>166,205.00</b>	<b>-159,298.00</b>	<b>166,205.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
P1 (Dues/Memberships-Expense)	1,650.00	12,250.00	-10,600.00	12,250.00
P2 (CDEs - Expense)	0.00	11,873.00	-11,873.00	11,873.00
P3 (General Supplies - Expense)	2,500.00	2,425.00	75.00	2,425.00
P4 (State Officers - Expense)	903.56	6,057.00	-5,153.44	6,057.00
P5 (LEAD - Expense)	0.00	36,762.00	-36,762.00	36,762.00
P6 (State Convention - Expense)	2,121.25	63,375.00	-61,253.75	63,375.00
P7 (National Conven. - Expense)	960.00	7,520.00	-6,560.00	7,520.00
P8 (Hort Expo - Expense)	0.00	8,760.00	-8,760.00	8,760.00
P9 (SO Continnum - Expense)	2,000.00	4,384.00	-2,384.00	4,384.00
P10 (ALLD-Expense)	0.00	6,785.00	-6,785.00	6,785.00
P11 (Mission Conf-Expense)	0.00	5,594.00	-5,594.00	5,594.00
P 12 (SOCS-Expense)	0.00	420.00	-420.00	420.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>10,134.81</b>	<b>166,205.00</b>	<b>-156,070.19</b>	<b>166,205.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-3,227.81</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-3,227.81</b>	<b>0.00</b>