

**IOWA FFA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**FFA Enrichment Center, Ankeny, IA**  
**June 28, 2017**

Iowa FFA President Zach Hamilton and Board Chair Pro Tem Ronald Zelle called the June meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

*Attendance*

**Executive Committee:**

Zach Hamilton	President
Peyton Schmitt	Secretary
Annie Wallin	Reporter
Ally Babcock	NC VP
Rachel Zumbach	NE VP
Carli Grau	NW VP
Cassie Bond	SC VP
CD Brinegar	SE VP
Caleb Finnegan	SW VP

**Adult Board – Voting:**

Ronald Zelle	Board Chair
Bret Spurgin	NC District
Jon Doese	NE District
Samantha Green	NW District
Dan May	SC District
Bridget Mahoney	SE District
Evan Babcock	SW District
Monty Collins	IAAE Representative
Clyde Johnson	Alumni Representative

**Executive Committee – Non-Voting:**

Scott Johnson	Executive Secretary
Josh Remington	Iowa FFA Foundation
Michael Tupper	Past FFA President
Pradeep Kotamraju	Dept. of Education

**Adult Board – Non-Voting:**

**Not Present:**

Dr. Scott Smalley	ISU Representative
Nathan Marting	Administrative Rep
Amber Harrison	B & I Representative
Dennis Meggers	ISF Superintendent

**Board Member Substitutions:**

Ronald Zelle for Ellen Doese  
Dan May for Kelsey Bailey  
Bret Spurgin for James Abbas  
Clyde Johnson for Ashley Fitzgerald

*Standard Agenda*

**Meeting Agenda**

The board members reviewed the agenda. A. Babcock moved to accept the agenda with flexibility. Finnegan seconded the motion. Motion passed. Spurgin moved to concur. Mahoney seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Secretary's Report: Meeting Minutes**

The board members read over the minutes from the March Board Meeting. Finnegan moved to accept the minutes as presented. Grau seconded the motion. Motion passed. E. Babcock moved to concur. Spurgin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Johnson discussed the treasurer's report and financial standings. The board reviewed the following bank accounts as of May 31, 2017:

Great Southern Bank Account:	\$452,696.05
Green Belt Bank Money Market:	\$51,568.84
Green Belt Bank CD:	\$205,401.19
<b>TOTAL Checking/Savings:</b>	<b>\$709,666.08</b>
Outstanding Balance:	\$21,421.25

S. Johnson discussed the treasurer's report and financial standings. He recommended that the CD established in July, 2014 that matures next month be transferred into the money market account in the short term while the budget committee reviews the distribution of account balances per the directive from the March Board Meeting. Bond moved to approve the report with the recommendation on the CD. Wallin seconded the motion. Motion passed. C. Johnson moved to concur. J. Doese seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **FFA Membership Report**

S. Johnson presented the membership report for board review during board orientation prior to the meeting. This year's membership is a new record with a current total of 14,895 members as of June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **IAAE Report**

Monty Collins provided some Summer Ag Ed Conference follow up notes.

### **Alumni Report**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting and at the Summer Ag Ed Conference.

### **Foundation Report**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting and at the Summer Ag Ed Conference.

### **FFA Report**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting and at the Summer Ag Ed Conference.

### **Iowa State University**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting and at the Summer Ag Ed Conference.

### **Iowa State Fair**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting and at the Summer Ag Ed Conference. Portable generators will not be allowed at the fair as the fair is providing commercial generators.

### **Postsecondary Report**

Part of Team Ag Ed reports prior to the meeting.

### *Non-Action Items*

#### **Future Meeting Dates**

Saturday, September 23, 2017; Saturday, December 2, 2017; Saturday, March 24, 2018; Wednesday, June 27 (tentative) All meetings are at the FFA Enrichment Center.

### **Strategic Plan**

S. Johnson encouraged board members review the Iowa FFA Association Strategic Plan during board orientation prior to the meeting. The board will commit structured time to review and revise it over the next year. May inquired as to the progress of the Team Ag Ed plan and the potential financial support request information. S. Johnson indicated that this continues to be a work in progress and that the financial support document was drafted and approved by Team Ag Ed partners last fall.

### **DE AFNR Consultant Update**

Kotamraju reported that the closing date for applications for the AFNR Consultant position is Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. After applications are reviewed, they intend to have interviews in July. They hope to have the position filled by the time the school year begins. The board asked Pradeep whether FFA would have representation during the interview process and he indicated he would check on that possibility.

### **State Leadership Conference, 2022-2026**

S. Johnson indicated that unless there are objections from the board, he will begin sending out requests for proposals (RFPs) to potential host sites for the 2022-2026 State FFA Leadership Conference so that the bidding and selection process can begin.

## *Action Items*

### **Perkins Allocation Budget, FY18**

S. Johnson presented the budget as per the requirements of the Perkins application of support for CTSO's. The actual dollar amount for FY18 is not confirmed, but the percentages of distribution of funds is proposed to be the same as previous years. Wallin moved to approve the Perkins Allocation Budget. A. Babcock seconded the motion. Motion passed. Spurgin moved to concur. E. Babcock seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **2017-2018 Affiliation Dues & Fees Schedule**

S. Johnson reported that the proposed schedule has not changed from the previous two years. E. Babcock moved to approve the dues and fees schedule. May seconded the motion. Motion passed. Finnegan moved to concur. Brinegar seconded. Motion passed.

### **State Proficiency Awards List**

Board members reviewed the 2018 Proficiency Award List, which is un-changed from 2017. The state has followed the national list for the last three years. E. Babcock moved to approve the National Proficiency Award list as the official state list for the current and successive years. J. Doese seconded. Motion passed. A. Babcock moved to concur. Finnegan seconded. Motion passed.

### **DMACC Adjunct Instruction MOU**

Zelle explained to the board members the Memorandum of Understanding between the Iowa FFA Association and DMACC. The memorandum defines the agreement between DMACC and the Association that Scott Johnson will teach 2 sections (up to 4 credit hours), and 4 weekly contact hours of a DMACC course during business hours. It was clarified that this arrangement is for the fall semester only. Spurgin moved to continue the memorandum between DMACC and the Iowa FFA Association. E. Babcock seconded the motion. Motion passed. Grau moved to concur. Zumbach seconded. Motion passed.

### **State Officer Election Process Rules Revisions**

Hamilton explained that the current selection process has completed its fifth year of operation and thus revisions are being considered. Past officers and 2017 coordinators Michael Tupper, Trey Forsyth, Brandon Hanson, Abrah Meyer and Past President Elisa Russ are working in cooperation with Scott Smalley at ISU on revisions. The request is to connect this group with a board committee to address revisions and bring an official proposal to the board for consideration for approval in September. Tupper suggests two students, two adults for this committee and clarifies that most revisions do not change the functionality of the existing process. C. Johnson moved to refer process to a committee of four, two student officers, two

adult board members. E. Babcock seconded the motion and the motion passed. Bond moved to concur, seconded by Zumbach, motion passed. Committee members will consist of Bond and A. Babcock from the student board and Fitzgerald and Bailey from the adult board.

### **District Officer Selection Process Rules**

Hamilton introduced the interest in establishing rules to govern the district officer selection process. S. Johnson clarified that while each districts' constitution outlines the same policies for interviews and elections, there is not a set of guidelines to help each district executive the process similar to how state officer rules serve as the guidelines to executive the policy identified in the state constitution. E. Babcock moved that the state officer team develop the District Officer Selection Process Rules and report back at the September Board meeting, seconded by Spurgin. Motion passed. Finnegan moved to concur. Zumbach seconded the motion and the motion passed.

### **Dues and Fees Invoices Protest**

S. Johnson introduced to the board a protest from a local FFA Chapter Alumni/Booster group regarding the dues and fees invoicing process that was adopted by the Board of Directors in September of 2016. He also shared anonymous data that showed the membership roster changes of the FFA Chapter in question relative to other chapters. It was clarified that the concern did not come from the local FFA Chapter or FFA Advisor. No other protest or concern from any other FFA Chapter was brought forward for consideration. Zelle asked if there was any motion from the board that would overrule the existing policies in place. No action was taken.

### **Destruction of Election Ballots**

A. Babcock moved to destroy the election ballots. Grau seconded. Motion passed. E. Babcock moved to concur. May seconded. Motion passed.

### *Committee Reports*

#### **FFA Annual Report**

The committee has discussed what information is a priority to collect and why/how it will be used. Due to new board member terms, changes are made to the committee. Wallin and Grau will assume student board representation on the committee in place of Kusel, Keitzer, and Forsyth.

### **FFA Advisor Roles and Initiatives**

This joint committee with IAAE representatives has had two conference calls and has stayed connected with the process of hiring the new AFNR consultant. Due to new board member terms, changes are made to the committee. Zumbach and Finnegan will assume student board representation on the committee in place of Moody and Lineweaver.

### **Financial Account Review**

The budget committee charged with this process in March will be meeting at the end of July to plan for the FY18 budget and review information relative to this committee. The desire is to have a recommendation to the board in September.

### **Adjourn**

Spurgin moved to adjourn the meeting. May seconded the motion. Motion passed. Grau moved to concur. Wallin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peyton Schmitt