

IOWA FFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FFA Enrichment Center, Ankeny, IA
March 24, 2012

Iowa FFA President Lindsay Calvert and Board Chair Michael Peiffer called the March meeting to order at 8:54 am.

Those members present were:

Executive Committee:

Lindsay Calvert	President
Steven Brockshus	NW VP
Michael Mardesen	SW VP
Logan Worden	NE VP
Patrick Diedrich	SE VP
Marshall Hay	SC VP
Nicole Patterson	NC VP
Sarah Doese	Secretary
Shaniel Smith	Reporter

Ellen Doese	NE District
Kevin Blair	SW District
Melanie Bloom	IAAE
Dave Whitman	Alumni
T.J. Dunphy	Administration

Adult Board – Non-Voting:

Tom Paulsen	ISU Ag Ed
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Ex-Officio:

Dale Gruis	State Advisor
Scott Johnson	State Executive
	Secretary
Josh Remington	Foundation

Adult Board - Voting:

Michael Peiffer	Board Chair
Carrie Putz	SC District
Doug Dodd	NC District
Doug Gaul	NW District
Amy Lutz	SE District

Others In Attendance:

Ann Bassett	Alumni
Ashley Fitzgerald	Alumni

Standard Agenda

Meeting Agenda

The board reviewed the meeting agenda. Patterson moved to accept the agenda with flexibility. Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dodd moved to concur. Lutz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes

The board members read over the minutes that were handed out to them. Blair had TJ Dunphy added to the attendance list. Diedrich moved to accept. Worden seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dodd moved to concur. Lutz seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report

Johnson discussed the treasurer's report that was passed out. Discussion has been held with Michelle on our current financial status. Invoicing of the membership dues are not in yet, therefore dues are not in the system at this time. The washer and dryer were put into the state officer suite in February and we have yet to see the invoice at this time. Discussion was held about possibly purchasing a new Mac computer to replace the current one for state convention materials. The Iowa Corn Growers have not sent in the ethanol gas checks, which they sponsor to help pay for state officer travel. The board reviewed the following bank accounts:

Wells Fargo Account:	\$32,289.23
Liberty Bank CD:	\$203,648.08
Liberty Bank Money Mkt.:	\$25,747.78
Great Southern Bank:	\$66,634.55
Outstanding Invoices:	\$30,820.00

Brockshus moved to accept. Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed. Putz moved to concur. Blair seconded the motion. Motion passed.

FFA Membership Report

Johnson presented the membership report. Iowa has 12,789 members entered on AgCN as of March 23rd; this number includes approximately 200 duplicates.

Team Ag Ed Reports: IAAE, Alumni, Foundation, FFA, PAS, ISU

See Team Ag Ed Reports, Appendix A

Iowa State Fair

Meggers was not in attendance.

Non-Action Items

Board Members for State Leadership Conference

The board discussed having two board members "on call" for State Leadership Conference sessions. The board members will need to report back stage during pre-session for the session they are on call for. The members will inform state leadership conference staff of where they are sitting, in case their help is needed. The following board members volunteered to help at these sessions:

Session One- Peiffer, Gaul

Session Two- Blair, Putz

Session Three- Dodd, Russ
Session Four- Lutz, Bloom

Iowa Rooming Block at National Convention

Johnson discussed having a state rooming block at national convention in 2013 when it moved to Louisville, Kentucky. Research has been done on how a rooming block is managed and the liability that it entails. National FFA wants to have our request by March 30. Having a rooming block means being in the same hotel for all 3 years of convention in Louisville.

2012-2013 Board of Directors Representatives

The board discussed who will be on the board for the next year. Amber Grieman from Grundy Center will be replacing Doug Dodd on the board and a southeast district representative is needed due to the planned member moving to a position another district.

Action Items

2012 Iowa Degree List Approval

Johnson passed the Iowa Degree list around to the board. The board reviewed the 608 names. Discussion was held about the Iowa Degree revision process. Diedrich moved to accept. Worden seconded the motion. Motion passed. Blair moved to concur. Putz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

FFA Guidance for County Fairs

Johnson reported that we have a request from Michael Anderson to meet and discuss 4-H and FFA member involvement/rules at the Iowa State Fair. It is desirable to have 4-5 advisors involved with this meeting. Gruis showed the current 4-H rules and shared his revisions he has made. Fitzgerald discussed her experiences with Boone County's current struggles with 4-H and FFA. Dodd and Lutz volunteered to talk with 4-H. A list of advisor contacts was generated and Johnson will contact these advisor to form the committee. No vote was needed.

Iowa FFA Association Financial Accounts

Johnson reported that the association has a \$200,000 CD earning limited interest. The board discussed whether the association should explore other options. Remington discussed his investigation of investment options. Gruis discussed the previous year's financial status. Brockshus moved to have the finance committee explore options for the \$200,000 in a CD. Mardesen seconded. Motion passed. Gaul moved to concur. Whitman seconded. Motion passed.

FFA Enrichment Center Lodging Form

Johnson shared his conversation with Chris Lyons of Lyons Insurance Company. The Iowa FFA Association's general liability policy covers the officers while they are lodging at the Enrichment Center. Supervision of the officers at the Enrichment Center can be as the Iowa FFA Association Board of Directors decides to set it. Dunphy discussed his opinion on lodging of officers as an administrator. Johnson referred back to the state officer application, which includes a good conduct form as part of the application. The applicant, parent, and school administrator all sign the application. Peiffer asked for action concerning the board's desires for lodging and transportation policies for the Iowa FFA State Officer so the policy is in place for the newly elected officers at state convention. Diedrich moved to form a committee to draft a lodging and transportation liability form to approve for use for next year's state officer team. Patterson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Whitman moved to concur. Dodd seconded the motion. Six adult board members in favor of the motion, with Blair and Bloom voting against. Motion passed. The committee members include: Johnson, Calvert, Peiffer, Gruis, Diedrich, Dunphy, and E. Doese.

Directors and Officers Insurance

Johnson is waiting to hear from insurance company for premium costs. No vote was needed.

State FFA Trapshoot

Gruis discussed the history of the State FFA Trap Shoot. The nature of the activity creates liability concerns for the Iowa FFA Association. The Iowa FFA Association board of directors approves activities that are identified as state activities and a state trap shoot is not one of them. FFA chapters can host trapshoots, by the name of the event cannot include the word "State" or "Iowa" in the name. Brockshus moved that the Iowa FFA Association establish a policy that only recognizes those state sanctioned activities that are approved by the Iowa FFA Board of Directors. Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion passed. Blair moved to concur. Putz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Iowa FFA Board of Directors Training

Discussion ensued from the strategic planning on March 23. One of the goals developed from this planning session involved better educating new members to the Iowa FFA Board of Directors. Dodd moved to develop a board of directors training session to offer at the IAAE Summer Conference. Gaul seconded the motion. Motion passed. Brockshus moved to concur. Worden seconded the motion.

Motion passed. Dodd, Putz, Calvert, and Hay will be reviewing the existing Board of Directors' Handbook and training process.

Committee Reports

CDE Scheduling

Johnson discussed the current CDE schedule for the upcoming year. At this time some Skills CDEs are not scheduled for 2012. Moving forward and will be discussed at a later date.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Dodd has not visited much on this issue and still will be helping out with this process after Greiman takes over.

Technology Server at the EC

Johnson informed the board that the Iowa FFA Association and Iowa FFA Foundation now have file space on the DMAACC server at a cost of \$0.00. DMAACC is also upgrading system connection speed this weekend.

Adjourn

Diedrich moved to adjourn the meeting. Patterson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Blair moved to concur. Putz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Doese
State Secretary
Iowa FFA Association
2011-2012

Iowa Association of Agricultural Educators Report

Latest Developments:

National Policy Seminar

IASB Booth Wrap-up

Barb Lemmer has completed the process of securing up-to-date financial registrations and moving checking account(s) to Ankeny

IACTE Relationships and Conference

What Does Everyone Need to Know?

DoL youth labor guidelines - new set of guidelines to be published early summer

potential Perkins cuts and across-the-board budget cuts for all federal education dollars

Today We're Discussing:

Ensuring IRS EIN, 501(c)3 and non-profit association registration paperwork is up-to-date

MOU with Foundation for financial and conference-planning contracted services

Conference Planning Meeting for June 26-28

Region III Planning for June 19-21

CASE Promotion in-state and scholarships for new CASE instructors

IAAE / NAAE Awards Selected to advance to Region III in June

Governor's STEM Scale-up Initiative

Iowa FFA Report

- The state officers facilitated more than 60 chapter visits throughout year
- March edition of online Iowa FFA Today was released and is available on the website.
- Proclamation signing during National FFA Week
- Media Coverage: More than 25 appearances on TV, radio, print, and online news sources throughout spring.
- Officer meetings with: Christie Vilsack, Tom Latham, Ag Matters Series, Pioneer Visit.
- State President Lindsay Calvert attended the National Policy Seminar, sponsored by IACTE, and National Ag Day in Washington D.C. where she met with legislators.
- Pioneer sponsored Lindsay Calvert and Dan Venteicher to attend the DuPont Food Security Goals Forum in D.C. on January 24-25.
- Hosted 6 District Review and District Conventions
- State officer overnight lodging policy at FFA Enrichment Center: still in progress
- Iowa Soybean Association pledged \$50,000 for 250,000 Meals from the Heartland for State Leadership Conference.
- Iowa FFA Association is now on DMACC's network and has use of server.
- Exploring possibility of a state rooming block at National FFA Convention in Louisville (2013-15)

Iowa State University Department of Agricultural Education & Studies Report

1. Enrollment in AGEDS is strong. Undergraduate enrollment is growing (428). We have 132 students in Ag and Life Sciences Education and 296 in Agricultural Studies. We have a total of 63 graduate students: 18 in Professional Agriculture and 45 in Agricultural Education. Approximately 40 students in Ag and Life Sciences Education are pursuing the Communications Option. This option is growing.
2. Enrollment in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences continues to grow. Here are the latest numbers: undergraduate students – 3434, and graduate students – 4456.
3. Placement of graduates in the College and the Department is outstanding. Placement includes employment and/or graduate school. For the latest year (2010-2011) the rates were: 100% of AGLSE graduates, 98.7% of Ag Studies graduates, 100% of AGED masters graduates, and 100% of professional agriculture masters graduates.
4. Student teachers for spring 2012:
 - a. Even Brehm – Union, LaPorte City
 - b. Rachel Burton – Jefferson-Scranton
 - c. Danika Campidilli – Grundy Center
 - d. Nathan Dobbels – Roland-Story
 - e. Morgan Greiman – Oelwein
 - f. Caitlin Knutson – Aldine, Texas
 - g. Alyssa Louwsma – Pella
 - h. Carina Meeker – Linn-Mar
 - i. Carlton Ness – Columbus
 - j. Luke Rauen – North Linn
 - k. Melissa Reed-Appel – Gilbert
 - l. Samantha Selness – Decorah
 - m. Emily Thoms – Winterset
 - n. Courtney Tingwald – Knoxville
 - o. Brandon Werner – Southeast Polk
 - p. Caitlin Wessel – Maple Valley-Anthon-Oto
 - q. Ashley Wiebe – Muscatine
 - r. Brittney Zumbach – Wapsie Valley
5. We have finished remodeling our classroom and graduate student office complex in Curtiss Hall. This area is now known as the Harold and Rachel Crawford Teacher Education Complex. Please come by and see what we have done the next time you are at ISU.
6. Agricultural mechanics instruction continues to increase at ISU. We continue to offer our Agricultural Mechanics methods class (AGEDS 488) twice a year. We have a new skills course (AGEDS 388) that has been approved and will be offered for the first time this

summer. Look for announcements regarding agricultural mechanics workshops that will be offered to teachers this summer.

7. Dr. Michael Retallick is being recommended for promotion from assistant professor to associate professor with tenure.
8. One of our Academic Adviser's is retiring in May: Helen Olson. We are going to miss her! She primarily advises students in Agricultural Studies. Our new Academic Adviser is Ben Chamberlain. His is a graduate of Agricultural Studies and is a native of Illinois. He served as an academic adviser in the College of Business at ISU before and recently was in the real estate profession. We welcome him to our faculty/staff in AGEDS.
9. The faculty and staff have received recognition this year. 2011 awards received by faculty and staff in AGEDS include:
 - a. Ryan Anderson, Ideas Unlimited classroom division and overall winner, Iowa Association of Agricultural Educators; Outstanding Young Alumnus- Dept. of Agricultural Education and Extension, Virginia Tech University; Ryan Anderson, First Place Innovative Idea Poster, American Association for Agricultural Education National Conference; Inductee, Gamma Sigma Delta
 - b. Harold Crawford, CALS George Washington Carver Distinguished Service Award.
 - c. Robert Martin, Regents Award for Faculty Excellence, Iowa Board of Regents; North Central Region Outstanding Poster Award, American Association for Agricultural Education
 - d. Gregory Miller, Distinguished Researcher Award, American Association for Agricultural Education.
 - e. W. Wade Miller, Career and Technical Education Educator of the Year, Iowa Association for Career and Technical Education; CALS Excellence in Advising and Membership in the Advising Academy
 - f. Thomas Paulsen, Graduate Student Teaching Award, North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture.
 - g. Michael Retallick, ISU Award for Early Achievement in Teaching; CALS Early Achievement Award in Teaching; CALS Excellence in Advising and Membership in the Advising Academy; Teaching Award of Merit, North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture; Honorary Member, Farm Operations Club, ISU
10. We make frequent announcements on our website. Please check us out at:
<http://www.ageds.iastate.edu/>

Team Ag Ed: Iowa Association of School Boards Convention

The IAAE and The Iowa FFA Association presented at the Iowa Association of School Boards in November. The IAAE was represented by Policy Development Board Representative on Thursday Afternoon and by Policy Development Committee Members Rob Pangburn and Dan Pickar, Friday afternoon. All said they had a wonderful time and were able to share many meaningful stories with board members and superintendents from around the state. They said the money invested was well worth the opportunity. The IAAE/Team Ag Ed Booth was a presentation in pictures of the "Opening Doors" DVD created by Mike Earll. Both Dan and Rob enjoyed the activity so much as they are already making plans for next year's display. Thank you Team Ag Ed and especially the Iowa FFA and IAAE for making this possible!

Iowa FFA Alumni Board Summary

The Iowa FFA Alumni Board of Directors met in February to conduct official business. The following is a summary of business conducted to date:

- Set up committees for the year
- Discussed who would attend each District FFA meeting
- Set up FFA State Officer meal for the week of May 21
- Reviewed budget for the year
- Made plans for the hypnotist show during state leadership conference (This event will be held on Sunday, April 22, at 8 P.M. in Hilton.)
- Finalized plans to sell customized t-shirts at the state conference using an Illinois vendor
- Discussed the deadline for judging our WLC scholarships
- Began plans for local leaders conferences in two places across the state

Last week, sent out letters to county Farm Bureaus issuing a challenge to support the Iowa FFA Alumni with a \$50 donation

Iowa PAS Updates

Latest Developments:

Iowa sent over 120 individuals and 3 national officer candidates to compete at National PAS Conference, March 14-17 in Des Moines, Iowa. Iowa did a great job representing their state and assisted in all aspects of hosting the national conference. Highlights of the conference included speakers Bruce Vincent and Damian Mason, "Taste of Iowa" banquet at the Animal Learning Center (State Fair Grounds), great agricultural based tours (Jasper Winery, Titan Tire, I-Cubs, John Deere, Pioneer, Kemin Industries, & Hawkeye Breeders), great results in all competition areas, and the retirement of National President Dannie Hamilton (Iowa State) and election of new National President Logan Lyon (Iowa State).

What does everyone need to know about Iowa PAS?

Iowa PAS is composed of 11 community colleges and 3 universities/colleges (Dordt College, Graceland College, & ISU) in Iowa and represents annually 1000- 1500 postsecondary students

associated with agriculture/agribusiness and natural resources offerings. Six new state officers were elected in February representing this organization and represent the schools of Iowa State, DMACC, Kirkwood, Ellsworth, and Iowa Lakes CC.

Iowa PAS will be putting on 2 workshops at State FFA Conference, “FFA Quiz Bowl” and will have a booth at the conference- please visit us to learn more about life after FFA in college!

What are you discussing today / what do you need Team Ag Ed to discuss?

Iowa PAS officers present will be working on strategic planning, long-term goals of the organization, and how to increase national membership within the state. Additionally, Iowa PAS will be working on new ideas for significantly increasing sponsorship for the organization.