

IOWA FFA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FFA Enrichment Center, Ankeny, IA
June 23, 2014

Iowa FFA President Abrah Meyer and Board Chair Doug Dodd called the June meeting to order at 1:42 p.m.

Attendance

Executive Committee:

Abrah Meyer	President
Lee Thomsen	Secretary
Ray Schmidt	Reporter
Mackenzie Lewis	NC VP
Michael Tupper	NE VP
Devan Vander Veen	NW VP
Hunter Moore	SC VP
Mike Poggemiller	SE VP
Logan Bauer	SW VP

Executive Committee – Non-Voting:

Dale Gruis	State Advisor
Scott Johnson	State Executive Secretary
Josh Remington	Iowa FFA Foundation
Josh Earll	Past FFA President

Visitors:

Larry Gossen	LPS Representative
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Standard Agenda

Meeting Agenda

The board members reviewed the agenda. Tupper moved to accept the agenda. Vander Veen seconded the motion. Motion passed. Grieman moved to concur. Bruns proposed to move State Convention Site to the beginning of the meeting. Motion passed.

Secretary’s Report: Meeting Minutes

The board members read over the minutes from the March Board Meeting. Bauer moved to accept the minutes as written. Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed. Mayes moved to concur. Putz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Adult Board – Voting:

Doug Dodd	Board Chair
Amber Greiman	NC District
Ellen Doese	NE District
Jason Holt	NW District
Carrie Putz	SC District
Gary Bruns	SE District
Bryan Whitman	Alumni Representative
Jeff Mayes	IAAE Representative

Adult Board – Non-Voting:

Dr. Tom Paulsen	ISU Representative
T.J. Dunphy	Administration
Dennis Meggers	ISF Representative

Not Present:

Scott Neth	SW District
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Treasurer's Report

Johnson discussed the treasurer's report and financial standings. The board reviewed the following bank accounts as of May 31, 2014:

Great Southern Bank Account:	\$215,302.60
Green Belt Bank Money Market:	\$26,763.81
Green Belt Bank CD:	\$210,085.91
TOTAL Checking/Savings:	\$452,152.32

Poggemiller moved to accept the treasurer's report. Bauer seconded the motion. Motion passed. Doese moved to concur. Mayes seconded the motion. Motion passed.

FFA Membership Report

Johnson presented the membership report. Iowa has 14,341 members entered on the AgCN state web as of June 23. He stated that this is Iowa's all-time record.

IAAE Report

Mayes stated that the annual IAAE Conference had begun that same day and thanked the board for being in attendance.

Alumni Report

Whitman stated that they have four members attending the national alumni conference. He also stated that there is an increased interest in alumni programs and that they are working to improve the state alumni conference in order that alumni members receive a greater benefit from attending the conference.

Foundation Report

Remington will give his report during the IAAE Conference.

FFA Report

The Iowa FFA Officer Team has just finished training with the conclusion of NLCSO in Nebraska. They will now be working on developing curriculum for Greenhand Fire-Up Conferences and preparing for Partnership Visits week and the Iowa State Fair. They received very positive comments from their COLT conferences.

Iowa State University

Paulsen stated that the Department of Agricultural Education and Studies – Communication is still in the process of hiring both a lecturer and an adviser and that they should be hiring individuals for these positions very soon. He stated that numbers for all of the departments – Education, Communications, and Studies – are all up from previous years.

Iowa State Fair

Meggers reported that preparations for the Iowa State Fair are in full swing and requested that advisors continue to check their emails for updates. He encouraged the board and advisors to contribute to the "ISF Critiques" document so that we can continue to better our programs at the State Fair. It was reported that the Youth Inn is installing an air conditioning unit that will be working by the State Fair.

Postsecondary Report

No report.

Non-Action Items

Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning will continue at the September meeting.

Future Meeting Dates

Saturday, September 20th; Saturday, January 17th (@ Alumni Conference); Saturday, March 21st.

Action Items

State Convention Site Selection 2017-2021

Dodd reported that he was pleasantly surprised at the openness of discussion for holding State Convention in Sioux City or Cedar Rapids, but that he is hesitant to move it from Ames because it has been there for many years. Bruns moved that we accept the Ames proposal for the 2017-2021 Convention Site. Mayes seconded. Tupper reported that it is in the interest of the NE District to keep Convention in Ames because it provides the best total package of all four sites. Meyer discussed that although Ames provides the best total package; there is always room for improvement as far as tours and the career fair go. Mayes reported that he would encourage board members to vote against the motion in favor of a different location. Greiman reported that the NC District prefers Ames, but that they would go anywhere. Doese called previous question. Motion passed 4-3. Tupper moved to concur. Vander Veen seconded. Motion passed 7-1.

2014-2015 Affiliation Dues Schedule

Board members reviewed the Affiliation Dues Scale as the chapter fee amounts were increased. Johnson reported that of the 219 chapters in Iowa, 50 are enrolled in affiliation dues. Gruis added that we would receive more Perkins dollars if we had more affiliated chapters as this would result in increased membership. Greiman moved to accept the Affiliation Dues Schedule. Mayes seconded. Motion passed. Lewis moved to concur. Moore seconded. Motion passed.

FY 15 Budget

Board members reviewed the FY 15 budget from June 17th. Johnson reported that we are in transition for the budget because codes in the accounting system have changed. He explained many of the items on the list more in depth for the board. Johnson reported that the most significant budget item relative to previous years is to hire temporary full time assistance from mid-January to mid-June—this position is pending the receipt of the state government appropriation that we have received the last two years. Mayes moved to approve the budget. Putz seconded. Motion passed. Vander Veen moved to concur. Bauer seconded. Motion passed.

State Proficiency Awards List

Board members reviewed the 2015 Proficiency List. Johnson encouraged the board to consider combining Agricultural Sales Entrepreneurship and Agricultural Sales Placement into one proficiency area. Mayes moved to approve the list as recommended. Doese seconded. Motion failed. Board members are encouraged to communicate with the District Proficiency judging coordinators before reconsidering the motion in September.

State Proficiency Awards Rules

This motion was tabled at a previous meeting. The motion was to review the proficiency award application process. Mayes moved to take this item of business from the table. Doese seconded. Motion passed. Thomsen moved to concur. Lewis seconded. Motion passed. Doese moved to refer to a special committee of three appointed by the chair with full power to act and report back. Putz seconded. Motion passed. Tupper moved to concur. Bauer seconded. Motion passed. The chair appoints Ellen Doese, Abrah Meyer, and Doug Dodd to serve on this committee.

FFA/Ag Ed at West Des Moines Dowling Catholic

Gruis reported that a science teacher at Dowling Catholic High School is interested in starting an agriculture program and an FFA chapter at Dowling Catholic High School. The science teacher has an agricultural education endorsement and is planning on taking a CASE course. He requested the opinion of the board on allowing this program to be started. The board offered no objections and no action at this time and requested updates as this potential opportunity develops.

DMACC Adjunct Instruction MOU

Board members reviewed 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) of a DMACC course during business hours. Doese suggested that we amend the memorandum to ensure that we are receiving his input in this process as well. She also suggested that we amend it to clearly state that he will only be teaching this course in the fall. Mayes moved to approve the

MOU with the changes discussed. Holt seconded. Motion passed. Vander Veen moved to concur. Bauer seconded. Motion passed.

Destruction of Election Ballots

Tupper moved to destroy the election ballots. Poggemiller seconded. Motion passed. Mayes moved to concur. Putz seconded. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

CDE Committee: Board Policy #3

Board members charged the CDE committee with suggesting any changes to the board policy. This committee will report back at the September meeting.

SLC POA Committee

Board members reviewed the SLC POA committee report. Johnson had outstanding things to say about the members who served in this capacity and encouraged advisors to continue nominating members to serve on this committee. Johnson encouraged board members to review the committee report and consider suggestions from the report as part of the September Board Meeting.

SLC Auditing Committee

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Adjourn

Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. Vander Veen seconded the motion. Motion passed. Doese moved to concur. Mayes seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lee Thomsen
2014-2015 State Secretary
Iowa FFA Association