#### IOWA FFA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

# Via Email Exchange

### Initiated August 23, 2015 and Completed August 28, 2015

#### Included in the Communication

<b>Executive Committee:</b>		Adult Board – V	oting:
Michael Tupper	President	Doug Gaul	Board Chair
Kayla Kaalberg	Secretary	James Abbas	NC District
Amanda Anderson	Reporter	Ellen Doese	NE District
Brandon Hanson	NC VP	Jason Holt	NW District
Elisa Russ	NE VP	Dan May	SC District
Hailey Burley	NW VP	<b>Bret Spurgin</b>	SE District
Erica Baier	SC VP	Ben Booth	SW District
Hunter Hamilton	SE VP	Zach Classen	Alumni Representative
Mikayla Dolch	SW VP	<b>Monty Collins</b>	IAAE Representative

### **Executive Committee – Non-Voting:**

Dale Gruis	State Advisor	Dr. Tom Paulsen	ISU Representative
Scott Johnson	State Executive Secretary	Nathan Marting	Administration
Josh Remington	Iowa FFA Foundation	Brea Harms	B & I Representative
Abrah Meyer	Past FFA President	Dennis Meggers	ISF Superintendent

**Adult Board – Non-Voting:** 

## **Perkins Allocation Budget: FY 16**

Johnson presented the Iowa FFA Association Perkins Allocation Budget for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Russ moved to approve the Iowa FFA Association Perkins Allocation Budget for FY16. Burley seconded the motion. Motion passed 8-0. Doese moved to concur. May seconded the motion. Motion passed. The approved proposal is an addendum at the end of the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Kaalberg

## IOWA FFA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FFA Enrichment Center, Ankeny, IA

**September 19, 2015** 

Iowa FFA President Michael Tupper and Board Chair Doug Gaul called the September meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

#### Attendance

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#### **Not Present:**

Zach Classen	Alumni Representative
Dennis Meegers	ISF Representative
Nathan Marting	Administration
Jason Holt	NW District

### Standard Agenda

# **Meeting Agenda**

The board members reviewed the agenda. Spurgin moved to accept the agenda. May seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dolch moved to concur. Baier seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

The board members read over the minutes from the June Board Meeting. Abbas moved to accept the minutes as written. Doese seconded the motion. Motion passed. Hamilton moved to concur. Hanson 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 August 31, 2015:

Great Southern Bank Account: \$207,409.00 Green Belt Bank Money Market: \$51,118.80 Green Belt Bank CD: \$202,658.44

TOTAL Checking/Savings: \$461,186.24

Burley moved to accept the treasurer's report. Russ seconded the motion. Motion passed. Spurgin moved to concur. Doese seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### FFA Membership Report

Johnson presented the membership report to the board. He stated that with reconciliation against National FFA's records that there were currently 14,837 members not including those from back dues that would be added from participation in fall events.

### **IAAE Report**

Monty Collins reported on behalf of the IAAE. He stated that the organization is currently focusing on recruitment and retention of Agricultural Education Instructors around the state. They are continuing to develop new ideas and plan to address the cause.

## Alumni Report

Report was given at the Team Ag Ed Meeting.

# **Foundation Report**

Remington gave his report at the Team Ag Ed Meeting.

# FFA Report

The Iowa FFA Officer Team has just concluding its time at the Iowa State fair, which experienced record attendance along with record milk sales for the year. Tupper stated that upcoming events for the Association are State Leadership Conference for District Officers along with Greenhand Fire-Up. He looks forward to outstanding participation in the conferences.

# **Iowa State University**

Paulsen delivered the report at the Team Ag Ed meeting.

## **Iowa State Fair**

Meggers reported at the State Fair Superintendent Meeting.

### **Postsecondary Report**

No report.

Non-Action Items

## **Strategic Planning**

Johnson reported that all Team Ag Ed has developed their "footballs" through the strategic planning sessions and are finding ways to logistically complete all of the goals set. Harms also expressed how she greatly appreciated everyone's efforts throughout the process and offered more advice to different approaches members may make to take ownership in plans.

### **National FFA Delegate Committee:**

Tupper spoke in regards to the different committees formed this year for National Convention. Tupper and Kaalberg took on leadership roles as they are serving as Chair and Vice-Chair of their respective committees. This year, 2 district officers will be accompanying the team to Convention as well to complete the 11 delegates assigned to Iowa by National FFA.

### **CTE Presidential Scholarship**

Johnson spoke about the CTE Presidential Scholarship and encouraged advisors and members to identify students who would be excellent applicants of the scholarship based upon academic success, involvement, and employability skills.

### **CTE Task Force:**

Guis provided an update on the Secondary CTE Task Force within the Department of Education.

Action Items

## FY 16 Budget

Johnson discussed more in depth the financials and budget for the upcoming year in comparison to previous years. He is comfortable with our standings and believes there is potential to reach 15,000 members by 2016.

Doese moved to approve the FY16 budget. Spurgin seconded. Motion passed. Anderson moved to concur. Dolch seconded. Motion passed.

# **CDE Rules Approval:**

Johnson presented the summary of changes in regards to Career Development Events for 2016. CDE Committee members have requested a change of language in the rules along with providing additional resources for events. May moved to approve that the proposed changes in the respective rules. Doese seconded the motion. Motion passed. Hamilton moved to concur. Burley seconded. Motion passed.

#### **Horse CDE Rules:**

Johnson proposed consideration of changing eligibility for the 2015 event since is occurs in the fall. This change would align with other skills events, such as Meats and Livestock, held in the fall. The proposed change will allow current sophomores, juniors, and seniors to be added to the roster and participate. Anderson moved to change rule General Ag Skills Rule 5C to include horse for 2015. Hanson seconded. Motion passed. Doese moved to concur. Abbas seconded. Motion passed.

### **ISU Greenhand Conference**

Johnson discussed the request of Collegiate FFA in regards to considering the Iowa State Greenhand Conference a State Conference through board policy #32. Due to many conflicts of interest, a committee will be formed to discuss consideration of approving the conference above the chapter level or place expectations aligning with the Iowa FFA Association. Anderson moved to form a committee to discuss this matter with the ISU Collegiate FFA. Hanson second. Motion passed. Doese moved to concur. May seconded. Motion passed. The committee will be composed of two adult members, Spurgin and May, along with two student members, Anderson and Russ.

#### **2016 Iowa FFA Degree AET Application Pilot**

Johnson discussed that the board approved piloting this in 2015, but plans did not work out to do such. He suggested a pilot process for 2016. Booth moved to extend the pilot to 2016. Abbas seconded. Motion passed. Hamilton moved to concur. Dolch seconded. Motion passed.

# **Recess: 10:13 AM**

Hanson moved to reconvene after the Team Ag Ed Meeting. Elisa seconded. Motion passed. Booth moved to concur. Doese seconded. Motion passed. Tupper and Gaul called the meeting back to order at 11:47 AM.

### Committee Reports

## **Board of Director's Handbook Committee**

Gaul stated that the handbook is complete but the committee is currently waiting to add the strategic plan into the handbook. The committee still has some small decisions to be made but the updated version is ready. The committee will report back at the December meeting.

## **Board Policy #7 Committee**

Board members reviewed Board Policy #7. Gaul addressed the consideration to revise and update the language within the board policy. Discussion was also made regarding improvements to the language, which in turn will hold advisors and students accountable through being proactive and actively engaged with the Association. Prior to making a motion, more information and things will need to be looked at by the committee.

### **Course Substitution Language Committee**

Gruis explained the proposed application for the substitution agricultural education courses. Through his explanation, he clarified the linguistics of the proposal to board members and brought to mind that there could be potential legislative action associated with this as well.

### **Middle School CDE Opportunities**

Kaalberg and Spurgin discussed information the committee has gathered regarding the thoughts of advisors. A reoccurring theme was that many felt it was a challenge to justify the dues set for younger members. A few ideas expressed were expanding opportunities through Skills CDEs, Proficiency Awards, and other speaking events for younger members. This also happens to be a discussion item as part of National FFA's delegate process as well. The committee will continue their research, see what the national process yields, and report back at the December Meeting.

### **Board Policy #5 Committee**

Spurgin discussed changing the wording to where the Iowa FFA Website is the official resource for all contest rules. Spurgin moved to accept the language in board policy #5 as proposed, which identifies the website as the official source for contest rules. Abbas seconded the motion. Motion passed. Hanson moved to concur. Burley seconded. Motion passed.

### **Adjourn**

Russ moved to adjourn the meeting. Baier seconded the motion. Motion passed. Sprugin moved to concur. May seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Kaalberg