

**California Association FFA
STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes**

A meeting of the State FFA Advisory Committee commenced at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 5, 2018, in the Board Room of the FFA Center in Galt, California. Present were Sherry Johns, Central Representative; Monique Reid, Central Representative; Wesley Hunt, North Coast Representative; Areal Covey, San Joaquin Representative; Rosemary Cummings, South Coast Representative; Marc DeBernardi, South Coast Representative; Janice Lohse, Superior Region Representative; Rick Neugebauer, Superior Region Representative; California State FFA Officer Team; Hannah Garrett, CA FFA Leadership Coordinator; and Josiah Mayfield, Assistant State FFA Advisor.

Janice Lohse moved and seconded that the minutes from the September 25, 2017 FFA Advisory Committee Meeting be approved. Motion passed by voice vote.

FFA Membership Update – Over 87,000 Members this year

Reports Followed:

State FFA Advisor Report

Josiah Mayfield provided a brief report on behalf of Dr. McCabe on the California Department of Education. The Superior region supervisor position hasn't been filled at this point, however state staff is optimistic that the Governor's budget proposal may provide answers in the future.

CATA/Foundation Report

Matt Patton, CATA Executive Director provided a report on the Governor's budget proposal. A few highlights included:

- Potentially \$200 million for CTE in Governor's Budget, along with \$12 million added to the budget for CTE staffing
- Certification may have a role to play in new CTE Incentive Grant
- CTE Incentive grant may use Average Daily Attendance, Unemployment Numbers, and Job projection numbers to determine district funding

State Officer Chapter Visits

The California State FFA Officer team provided an overview of their experience with chapter visits this year. Following the State Officer report, Mr. Mayfield provided an overview of the challenges with chapter visits. A few of the topics discussed included:

1. Housing and Safety Concerns
2. Chapters that choose to cancel visits

Integrated Leadership Development Program

Hannah Garrett provided an update on our "Integrated Leadership Development Program". A few comments were made regarding the events. Discussion also took place on the new leadership continuum structure that will be implemented in the next few years.

GLC:

- GLC Challenges – Young staff in 2017
- Planning 32 conferences in 2018

MFE/ALA - These conferences are full at 8 locations. The biggest issues discussed include:

- Advisor/Chaperone Rate – State FFA will evaluate the registration fee for advisors/chaperones and make adjustments for 2018-19
- Teachers suggested moving away from t-shirts since the students don't wear them at the event

SLE – SLE will grow to 75 participants, and will remain a bi-cameral approach.

National Convention – Participation numbers were highest numbers in past 5 years. The biggest issues discussed include:

Statistics:

1. 620 state trip participation.
 - a. 155 adults; 465 students; 91 chapters
 - b. 370 regular trips; 250 DC trips
 - c. 610 flights booked through Great Escape/10 flights booked separately
 - d. 1,680 total convention attendance from CA; 36.9% of CA convention attendees on state trip

Registration Items:

1. Registration Timeline for 2018
 - a. May 1 – Open Registration
 - b. July 1 – Close Registration
 - c. Aug 1 – Names Dues – Chapter Worksheet
 - d. Oct. 24-27 – Conference
 - e. Oct. 28-30 – Washington DC Trip
 - f. Tentative - \$100/name changes after Aug 1
 - g. Tentative - \$200/name change after Sept. 15
2. Remove deposit requirement, chapter online submission commits chapter financially.
3. Online registration changes
 - a. Combine trip data into 1 spreadsheet
 - b. Check Mark and # for Airport Transportation Needs
 - c. Single Occupancy removed from registration
4. Itineraries will be emailed out next year, and possibly put on a page in the teacher dashboard.

Hotels:

1. Last year for JW Marriott is 2018, then we must select another hotel
2. Selling to external groups will be limited in 2018
3. Would like 1 hotel if possible in next 3-year term

DC Trip:

1. Exploring going back to flight to DC.
2. Charter Flight - \$300/person

State FFA Advisory committee will ask for feedback at their regional CATA meetings regarding the Washington DC trip, and the possibility of going to back to flights instead of buses for transportation to Washington DC from Indianapolis.

State FFA Leadership Conference

Reviewed the 2018 State FFA Leadership Conference. Items Discussed included:

- Changes to the Delegate Schedule/Process – Schedule reflects a later start time for the delegate process
- Press Corp and Courtesy Corp schedule will start at 11am as well.
- Nominating Committee Process – Orientation for State Officer Candidates and Nominating Committee members will be the following
 - Orientation Saturday April 21, 2018 – 10pm-10:30pm
 - Orientation Sunday April 22, 2018 – 7:30am-8:00am
 - Process will start at 8:00am – Sunday April 22, 2018

- State Constitution Amendments

State Conference Amendments (Proposals are Attached)

Amendment Proposal 1 (Eliminate \$5.00 charter fee) – Rick Neugebauer moved and it was seconded that the advisory committee recommends a DO PASS Proposal Number 1. Motioned passed voice vote.

Amendment Proposal 2 (Strike out Administrator Survey on State Officer Application) – Rick Neugebauer moved and it was seconded to recommend a DO PASS on Proposal Number 2. Motioned passed voice vote.

Amendment Proposal 3 (Allowing Nominating Committee members to vote) – Rick Neugebauer moved and it was seconded to take a NEUTRAL STANCE on Proposal Number 3. Motioned passed voice vote.

State Degree Application

Application Correction – Application Start-Up question says met on the checklist, even if you don't complete the question. Also the prompt needs to be corrected, because it lists highlighted items. However there are no highlighted items. These items will be sent to AET to correct.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.