FFA Adult Board of Directors Meeting

May 19, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 10:13 in the Boardroom at the State FFA Center.

Dick Peirsma moved to approve the minutes with the correction (change SAE to SLE) from the January 27, 2015 meeting. It was seconded and the motion passed by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Katie Otto gave the Financial Services Director Report.

Having the meeting this early makes it more difficult to estimate where we will be at the end of the fiscal year.

2014-2015 Association Budget Activity

Over 79,000 FFA members this year which is a new record. There was addition of two ALA and MFE conferences which increases the expenses but should be covered by increased income. We think State Conference will be close to breaking even. We budgeted for 4700 and there were over 5000 State Conference Attendees. There are still a lot of expenses that are remaining for State Officers. It seems that all expenses are normal. The estimated net profit for the year is $161,813.37. Dick asked if we could get an updated report in June prior to State CATA Conference.

Kevin Woodard moved to accept the report. It was seconded and motion passed by voice vote.

2014-2015 Regional Budget

Jim Aschwanden moved to approve the Budget. It was seconded and motion passed by voice vote.

Katie Otto gave a report on the proposed 2015-2016 State Budget

There are significant changes to class 8 which is Greenhand Conferences. There will be additional Greenhand Conferences. Zane Sheehan stated that in order to meet this demand more equipment will need to be purchased. This could cost approximately $10,000. Adjustments were made to get closer to where we have been in the past. ROLC has some big changes because of having to change locations. Josiah found out that the original location would not be available one week prior to State Leadership Conference and he started working on a new location. The new location is the Marconi Conference Center near Tamales Bay. There was discussion on the late fee structure and leaving it as is. Jim Aschwanden moved to approve the State 2015-2016 budget, it was seconded and them motion passed by voice vote.

Katie Otto gave a report on the proposed 2015-2016 Regional Budgets

Jill has made a number of changes to the Central Region Budget. The bottom line remains the same. North Coast remains the same. San Joaquin has gone up to try to meet the increase in the COLC. South Coast remains the same. There are some minor adjustments to the Southern Region Budget. There are some adjustments to the Superior Region the income has gone up $3000. Jim Aschwanden moved to approve the 2015-2016 Regional Budgets, it was seconded and the motion passed by voice vote.
Jim Aschwanden gave a CATA/FFA Foundation Update:

There is no clear direction on the new CTE grant system. The first year it will be a one to one match, the next year it will be 1.5 to one match and the next there will be 2 to one match. This means that the district will have to spend $2 million on CTE to get $1 million from the state. The grant allocation is up to $4 million dollars. The accountability measures for student certification did not get approved. The only accountability for CTE is as follows: Do the CTE students meet the state standards as reported by the local school district.

The FFA Foundation is moving in a good direction.

The CDFA can legally take 20% and after a meeting they agreed to take 15%. The remaining 85% will come to the FFA.

Mattes gave a Report on the proposed FFA Center Construction

The board reviewed the plans for the renovation. There was lengthy discussion on who should pay for the construction. CATA will pay for half of the renovation and the CA FFA will pay the other half. The second issue is what will the division of responsibilities be for the people that come in to the new offices. Mattes shared a draft of the Agreement for Management Services Between the California FFA Association, California Agriculture Teachers Association and the California FFA Foundation. There was a lengthy discussion on this document. The board will review the document individually and send questions and comments to Kristi by May 26, 2015. The board comments will be compiled and distributed prior to a meeting at CATA Summer Conference. We will reconvene on June 21, 2015 at 3:00 pm at Cal Poly.

Otto Gave a Report on the FHA-Hero Contract:

FHA-Hero proposed a 3 year contract for the FFA to provide their financial services. Green moved to accept the FHA-Hero contract, it was seconded and the motion passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

2015 / 2016 Board Meeting Dates

- June 21, 2014 – CATA
- July 24, 2014 – FFA Center
- September 21, 2015 – FFA Center
- TBD January 2016
- June 19, 2016 – CATA

Regional Rotation

a. B Rotation NC 2, SC1, So2, Central 1, Foundation, St. FFA Advisor and Teacher Educator

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Mendes, Secretary
Nick Defeteros moved to adjust the budget to reflect that we match what the foundations current proposal of $20000 plus benefits. If was seconded and the motion passed by voice vote.

Mayfield gave a report on the CA FFA Roster, Registration and Website – The new web site is designed by a former FFA member. He currently does a web site for Georgia FFA. The start up fee will be $31500 and there will be an annual renewal fee of $21000.

Green moved to change the budget to reflect the new website at $31500. It was seconded and discussion followed. Motion passed by voice vote.

Otto gave a report on the annual audit draft – There are some minor issues that we need to resolve. The findings are the same as they have been and the same that most non-profits our size have. Nothing has changed with our audit.

Mike Clifford moved to accept the preliminary audit with the minor issues being cleared up. It was seconded and the motion passed by voice vote.

The meeting was adored at 1:52 pm

Next meeting will be January 29 at 12:00 noon.