

State Staff Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, October 18, 2021

Present:

- Charles Parker
- Shay Williams-Hopper
- Jill Sperling
- JessaLee Goehring
- Greg Beard
- Hugh Mooney
- Jackie Jones
- Hannah Garrett

Called to Order: 10:03 AM

Approval of Minutes

Action Items (need motion and vote)

- MFE/ALA Virtual Option
- State Conference Registration Fee
- State Star Award Application (Ag Business, Ag Placement, Ag Science, Farmer)
- Ag Sales Topic
- Resource Management Page/Facebook Page
- Supervising Teaching Institute Dates

Discussion Items

- National Officer Candidate Update
 - State Conference
 - Schedule
 - Tours
 - Leadership Workshops
 - Theme/Sessions
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Approval of Minutes on Oct. 4, 2021

Action Items:

MFE/ALA: Fee

- Jill - Motion to establish the fee for MFE/ALA of \$75 per participant
- Shay – Second
- Discussion - \$75 is the early registration, after the close date it is bumped up to \$100

- Friendly amendment - \$60 for teachers, \$100 for registration, \$75 for early registration
- **Motion States: MFE/ALA registration fees to be \$100 for regular registration, \$60 for teachers, and \$75 for early registration.**
- Motion passes

MFE/ALA: Online Option

- Last year it was a Zoom call and the state officers were in charge of it.
- Do we need another group of individuals to create an online platform like GLC or do we have another group of people to help with making it hybrid.
- Suggestion – not doing a virtual option. A lot of work for the state officers and Hannah. Schedule is extremely tight for the state officers as well as Hannah. Difference with GLC, we already had something created from last year.
- No motion was made and we will continue with in person MFE/ALA's.
- Hannah is going to add to the page that there is not an online option, so everyone is clear.
- November 1st is when MFE/ALA information is posted.

SLE

- \$350 is the registration fee (so far)
- Still waiting to hear back from the capital to see if the hearing rooms are available.
- Could we have the Adult Board approve the registration fee, tentatively. This way we can give a number to advisors and schools so they can start putting paperwork in now.
- Suggestion: Set a budget to help out with the cost
- Hopefully get information out by the end of the week for SLE
- SLE registration is due December 1st

State Conference Registration Fee

- \$175 for registration fee – Boswell is covering \$25 per person.
- Will be posted as \$200 registration fee with \$25 discount (coming from Boswell)
- Discussion – Matt wanted to have a consistent registration amount, even if we move from Sac to Anaheim.
 - Anaheim costs included Disneyland and Knotts

- Do we make that an added expense in the future?
- Jill – is this the battle that we need to go through right now?
- Early registration would be at \$200 and regular registration would be \$_____
- Hugh Motion: Regular registration rate is \$225. Early registration rate is \$200 with discount to reduce student registration would be subtracted from that amount.
- Second – Greg
- Discussion – having entertainment attached to the registration. We're not changing the amount of the conference from past conferences and not providing entertainment
- Motion passes
- Jill Motion – Discount rate is only applied to early registration
- Second – Hugh
- Discussion – Worried regarding with how many people are going to go to the state conference. So keeping the discount rate for only the early registration would be the best thing to do.
- Amendment to Motion: Sponsors discount only applies to the early registration fee.
- **Motion states: State Conference regular registration rate is \$225, early registration rate is \$200, along with a discount to reduce student registration would be subtracted from that amount. Sponsors discount only applies to the early registration fee.**
- Motion passes

State Degrees: Shay

- Talked with Roger regarding a rubric – it is not going to work for us
- We will go back to how we did it last year – A (approved) or NE (needs edits)

STARS – Shay

- Students will be able to choose which projects they want to use for their STAR award
- Leaving the writing portion the same
- Will pull the P&L's for those projects that they checked ONLY and make a rubric off of that
- This way you can evaluate the whole project
- Change in the STARS was to get financials incorporated. This would fix that issue.
- Motion – Go with whatever Shay's recommendation
- Next step is to create the rubric and finish the application

- Jill will help Shay with the rubric
- Regional Supervisors need to have the name of the STAR winners by the first week of February
- FFA week is not going to work

Ag Sales Topic

- Pacific Showcase for this year
- The just need to know what type of questions they need to be fielding to make it work out

Curricular Code

- Some of the activities have years attached to them – topics for specific years
- Some are out dated and do not have a topic
- For Ag Comm – we have been using the National topic – assuming that they will post the new topic by Nov 1 or Nov 15. If they do not have something posted by mid November, then we can do our own thing.
- Sectional topics needed for Impromptu and Extemp need to be released
- Sectional Job Interview are posted on CalAgEd and an email was sent out to teachers

Resource Management Page & Facebook Page : JessaLee

- Resource Landing page that we have on our CalAgEd on the website that pulls the resources that teachers post on Facebook
- Riley Dale was the one who would pull the information out – she did it last year and received a small stipend. Do we want to continue? She states it would be 2 – 5 hours per week
- We need to give some clear goals and what we are looking for from here – set some clear expectations for her with this project.
- Recommendation - Have JessaLee put those expectations together and share with staff. Staff will then go through it and approve of it before releasing it.
- Comments regarding the Resource page – agree that it is a good resource, especially since we have so many new teachers. Let's continue with this.

Facebook Page Management:

- Does it need to be someone on State Staff? It is titled CalAgEd discussion lab. During COVID, it has become a discussion board and no longer has the same purpose that it had in the beginning.
- Will be giving this to CATA to take over and manage.

Supervising Institution Dates

- Sandy proposed to condense it to a Sunday – Monday
- If we can minimize the number of days for teachers to miss – more people can participate
- We will inform Sandy that we are open for other dates – to help with the sub shortage issue

National Candidate Update

- Great job JessaLee with helping with Maico
- Thank you to the Regional Supervisors, Mr. Mooney & Mr. Parker for helping out as well
- He's been able to work with Chico and others
- Definitely seeing progress and excited to see how he does in Indy
- Really appreciated going to the Texas workshop

National Flights:

- All emails went out this weekend
- Flight rosters went out as well – cell phones are also on that list
- Remember to assist them with what they need (especially with students who never have flown before)
- Remember we are responsible for them.
- Please remind them to fly in uniform
- Shay's flight comes in an hour earlier – Trisha has it that you will Uber to the hotels and not have to wait for the charter bus. That is totally up to you – Ubering 9 kids might be hard to do.
- Bus holds about 50 people (29 coming from Sac, 10 from Ontario, 10 from SLO)
- Inform them that they are going from the airport and straight to their delegate meeting at 7:30 – 9 pm.
- Hopefully they get into their hotel by 7 pm, unload and

- Jill will be trying to get the keys to the students quickly
- Ice Cream social is at 9:30
- State Officers are not going to be with Hugh to travel – they use to do a super shuttle to and from SAC airport. Is that something that we are doing this year?
 - JessaLee is taking care of the shuttle and will be traveling with them
 - And there is a shuttle to go home in
- There will be a bus to take Shay and her group back to the airport
- Uber for returning for Ontario group – will figure out the chaperoning for the other ubers

COVID for National FFA –

- They have locations for students that show symptoms.
- What do we do if a delegate gets COVID? They need to stay for a few more days before traveling
- Parker is willing to stay behind if that happens
- Hopefully, parents would be going back to be with that student. We might need a gameplan on what we do if that happens.

State Scholarship Application – Will be available this week before we leave for National Convention. Due Dec. 1st. Will post on CalAgEd and will send an email out.

AET Task Force Application - It is out! Will send out another email reminding everyone. Every region has at least 1 person on the list. Once we get back from convention, we'll look through the list.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:50 am

Next Meeting: Monday, November 1st @ 10 am