

CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Bureau of Agricultural Education

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 1970  
Room 4039, HRD Building  
Sacramento, California

Present

H. H. Burlingham	E. J. LaSalle
J. T. Davis	J. F. Lawrence
L. Dowler	W. J. Maynard
M. E. Fleming	R. H. Pedersen
O. S. Gilbertson	P. Peterson
T. B. Gregg	W. D. Reed
D. L. Hampton	R. D. Regan
G. A. Hutchings	W. D. Wills
E. M. Juergenson	D. E. Wilson

The meeting was called to order by chief, Mr. Don Wilson. New items were added to the agenda.

Staffing

The first topic for discussion was the staffing situation for the bureau. Process has been initiated to appoint Mr. Warren Reed as acting assistant chief on a TAU basis. As soon as this is assured, paperwork will be started for a TAU position replacement for regional supervisor of the Central Region.

Mr. Hutchings will announce his retirement soon. His position of regional supervisor will be open for permanent replacement after January 1, 1971.

Status of Plans, Applications, and Claims

Each regional supervisor reported on the status of plans, application, and claims in his region. The Southern Region reported a high percentage of all material in. In the Southwestern Region the plans are in, but the applications are uncertain. Claims are moving along fairly well. The San Joaquin Region reports three schools will not submit plans. None of these three have agriculture. Claims are in. The Central Region reports all plans are in and most claims are also in. North Coast indicates plans and claims are uncertain due to Mr. Pedersen's leave of several months. The Superior Region has all plans in except Orland. Claims are in and applications are pretty well in. The South Coast reports that the region is on a par with the rest as far as plans, applications, and claims are concerned.

### ROP/ROC Programs

Regional supervisors are responsible for keeping up to date on the ROP/ROC programs. They should be in on planning these programs if agriculture is included. Supervisors will submit a memo to the chief of the bureau concerning these programs and whether or not the ROP/ROC teachers of agricultural subjects meet the standards of the State Plan. It is also the responsibility of the supervisors to keep the teachers in their regions informed concerning these programs.

### FFA Report

Mr. Davis reported that the National FFA Convention trip was organized and ready to travel. The chartered flight is scheduled to leave Monday, October 12. It will return the following Sunday. Each trip participant will leave from and be returned to either San Francisco or Los Angeles. The major topic for discussion at the recent executive committee meeting was the suggested revisions of the National Constitution (see Appendix 1). The goal for membership this year is set by the committee at 16,500 or 10 per cent more than last year. This will take much work from each regional supervisor. Names suggested for the Honorary State Farmer Degree were: Goula Wait, Don Kruse, Dick McMillan, Dennis Hampton, Maurice Fleming, and Ross Sullivan.

### Young Farmers

Mr. Pedersen reported that the Young Farmers executive committee had been held in Redding. The 1971-72 budget is operational. Dues for all members will be \$3.00. It is important that supervisors have their regional Young Farmer presidents attend meetings. The Young Farmers Convention will be held in Redding on February 4-7, 1971. Headquarters will be the Holiday Inn. Several tours are planned for those in attendance. This will be the last year that Sears-Roebuck will sponsor banquet awards and programs. Past Young Farmer officers are studying the possibility of holding a national meeting for Young Farmers in Sacramento in 1972. Preliminary judging has just been completed in the farm improvement program. Final judging will start in early October. Only the Superior and San Joaquin Valley Regions have turned in their lists of winners for the farm improvement contest. All other supervisors must turn in their lists of winners now.

### Conference and Skills Evaluation

Mr. Burlingham reported that there was considerable improvement in the recent conference and skills programs judging from the survey sheets returned. The overall rating was top good to excellent. Regional supervisors should get suggestions for next year's conference and skills week at the Fall regional meetings. There will be a conflict between skills week scheduled June 15-19, 1971, and the livestock symposium. Summer conference will be held June 21-25, 1971.

### Funding for VEA 70-71

Funding for vocational education for 1970-71 was discussed by Chief Wilson. Appropriations were stipulated in a memo from Wesley P. Smith's office (see Appendix 2). Actual application for funds by occupational areas are indicated for the year 1969-70.

### Advisory Committee on Agricultural Education

The meeting will be held in Sacramento on October 7. The staff is welcome to attend.

### Placement in 1970-71

One-hundred seven placements were recorded for this year. The intern placement is up to 23 for the current year. The teacher training committee should hold a special meeting to consider the proliferation of the intern program. Mr. Dowler reported that Fresno State would have three qualified teachers ready to be placed in January, 1971.

### Sears-Roebuck Foundation Committee Meeting

Mr. Davis reported that several changes are due in the Sears-Roebuck Foundation program. Recent IRS laws affect the present status of all foundations. As a result, there will be less money available for the FFA Sears-Roebuck Foundation program in 1971. There will be no more banquet and award functions. Programs will have to be specific efforts to improve various aspects of the total program. The Star Teacher program will be operated this year as it has been in the past but must undergo some drastic changes by next year (see Appendix 3).

### Bank of America Minority Scholarships

Regional supervisors and teacher trainers will be responsible for following up on minority students. If minority students are in colleges with teacher training programs, the teacher trainer and the regional supervisor will keep in contact and follow up. If the students are in a community college, the regional supervisor will keep in contact and inform an agriculture teacher at the community college so that he may assist.

### Bank of America Teacher Scholarships

The Bank of America agricultural teacher scholarship program needs to be revised. The scholarship committee will meet to consider ways to improve this program. Consideration will be given to making the scholarship program a statewide

scholarship instead of by region. Gailen Martin should notify winning teachers at the earliest possible time.

#### Intern Teachers Workshop

Mr. Gilbertson reported that the intern teachers workshop will be held in San Luis Obispo on December 10, 11, 12. Five topics suitable for workshops will be offered and two or three general discussion areas will be included. The FFA portion of the workshop will be conducted early in the 2½ day meeting since the State Officers Goodwill Tour will begin Saturday, December 12. Supervisors must get the word to interns early so that all will plan to attend. They will attend on their own or at their district's expense.

#### Bureau Program of Work Follow-up

The special committee on statewide curriculum will report at the January staff meeting. Regional supervisors are to turn in a list of ROP/ROC programs in agriculture from their regions to Mr. Reed by the November staff meeting.

#### Glossary of Terms

Mr. Gregg, chairman, reported that his committee had met and developed a list of terms to be defined (see Appendix 4). Mr. Gregg will meet with industrial education to coordinate our list with theirs. Supervisors will submit additional terms to be defined by the Committee by October 10. Submit list to Ted Gregg.

#### EPDA Projects

Very little action has taken place concerning the use of EPDA funds. Projects can be submitted up to January 1, 1971, for this year. School districts, community colleges, state colleges, and universities can submit special projects. Dr. Robert Barnes, RCU coordinator, will furnish the necessary information for developing these projects. His address is: 1320 K Street, Room 459, Sacramento, California 95814.

#### Scorecard for State Contests

It was generally felt that the present scorecard in use at the state contest was adequate. Additional information and training of group leaders will help prevent mistakes. Teachers should have their students properly prepared to complete their own judging cards correctly and completely.

### AB 122

The Ryan Bill, AB 122, was discussed by Mr. Burlingham. The bill largely replaces the Fisher Bill except for community colleges. A commission will be set up according to the Act to determine procedures for credentialing. One of the procedures will be a testing program for credential applicants. The commission will appoint a seven man committee to make a study and recommend standards for credentialing. The teacher training committee of the bureau staff is assigned to prepare a program for teacher preparation in agriculture in California. This should be presented to the commission.

### Student Occupational Experience Record Card

Mr. Maynard reported that a certificate of proficiency and an individual record card on each student will be reproduced and made available to one selected school in each region. The cost of the cards (2,000) will be \$130. Mr. Maynard will proceed with the printing and distribution of the cards. A special folder for each student will be redesigned for use at a later date. Mr. Maynard will report his progress at the November staff meeting.

### Cooperative Marketing Program

The Agricultural Council believes there is a need to re-evaluate the cooperative marketing study program. Staff members indicated a strong belief that the program should be continued but agreed that it might be due for an evaluation. Graham Allen of the Agricultural Council will be invited to attend the November staff meeting and discuss the program with the staff.

### Cal Expo

Mr. Hampton reported that Cal Expo was generally accepted by the teachers and exhibitors as a success this year. There was an increase in all areas except beef. Quality of exhibits was excellent. A potential problem exists with girl supervision. Regional supervisors need to work closely with teachers to determine responsibilities for women chaperones and to increase the effectiveness of supervision. Mr. Wilson will talk with CATA officers concerning supervision at the next CCVA meeting.

### Transparency Masters

Mr. Regan distributed a compendium of masters for overhead projector transparencies. They were collected, organized, and bound through a special project VEA grant for the Los Angeles City Schools agriculture departments.

### Bill 2032

Mr. Hampton made a short report on Bill 2032. It is primarily a California work experience program. It allows ADA to be counted on students at work stations under the supervision of industry and business personnel. A class must be offered with the work experience program.

Modesto High School held a summer class for ag students. They received four hours of class work per week plus supervision from the teacher. These students were counted in summer school ADA. The Modesto system thinks it has merit and may plan to expand it next year.

A CATA conference program should be worked out to show teachers what can be done in summer classes.

### Supervising Teachers Workshop

The Fresno workshop for supervising teachers was attended by about 50 teachers. Only half of these teachers had attended previous workshops. It was thought by the teacher training staff to have been a successful meeting. The teacher education committee will review recommendations from the workshop and report at a future staff meeting.

### Farm Account Book

Mr. Maynard reported on the newly revised record book. There are a few mistakes in it, but it will be used this year by those teachers who served on the committee. This same committee will meet in the Spring to reconsider the record book. If it is acceptable, it may be made available to all agriculture departments.

### Part G Funds

Mr. Hampton reported that applications for Part G funds had been made from several schools (see Appendix 5).

### Adult Enrollment

Mr. Lawrence reported on adult enrollment as a follow-up to his June report. Some questions were raised concerning the vocational status of some of the classes reported. Mr. Lawrence will continue his study of adult classes for the 1969-70 school year and determine whether or not they are vocational.

### Special Workshop

A workshop for heads of multi-man departments will be worked out for the Southern Region to take place during the Easter vacation. Mr. LaSalle, chairman of the

committee, will work with the special committee to develop this first program. A program under EPDA may be worked out by one of the colleges in the future. Mr. Fleming will serve as a member of the committee.

#### National FFA Judging Contests

A special committee to consider changes in national judging contests will meet in Kansas City in October. Supervisors will send to Mr. Hutchings any suggestions they might have by October 10.

#### Reports Committee

The committee will research bureau report forms and determine where revisions need to be made. A report will be made at a future meeting.

#### Future Topic

A future staff meeting will include consideration of the subject of junior livestock auctions.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL FFA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL FFA BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS  
TO THE DELEGATE BODY, 1970 NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

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ARTICLE II - Section A.

Amend, by adding the following sentence at the end of the paragraph:  
"More than one chapter may be chartered in a school when appropriate."

ARTICLE II - Section C.

Amend, by deleting the present Section C and inserting the following new Section C:

(New) Section C. -- Collegiate

"Collegiate chapters may be established in two or four year institutions where agriculture courses are taught. Membership shall be opened to students enrolled in agricultural courses, or who are pursuing career objectives in the industry of agriculture.

"Each collegiate chapter shall be chartered by and maintained under the authority of the respective State Association.

"All activities of the collegiate chapter of FFA shall be in harmony with the purposes, principles and ideals of the FFA organization.

"Activities for FFA collegiate chapter members shall be based upon the needs and interests of its members.

"Collegiate chapter members shall pay State and National FFA dues."

ARTICLE III - Section A - Paragraph 1.

Amend, by striking out June 15 and inserting May 1, and by striking out June 1 and inserting April 15.

ARTICLE IV - Section B - Paragraph 2

Authorize the editing of this paragraph and all paragraphs in the Constitution and Bylaws by deleting the word "his" and rewording to appropriately refer to 'members'. For example: "Members may retain their active membership continuously throughout their entire high school career....."

Section B - Paragraph 3 - Line 27 -- Amend, by striking out 25th and inserting 21rd.