

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Bureau of Agricultural Education

Special Staff Meeting Minutes  
August 30-31, 1972

Members Present

S. I. Beck	E. J. LaSalle
J. L. Biggs	W. J. Maynard
J. T. Davis	R. H. Pedersen
M. E. Fleming	W. D. Reed
T. B. Gregg	D. E. Wilson

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wilson, Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Education at 1:00 p. m., Wednesday, August 30, 1972, at the Central Regional Vocational Education Office, 1919 - 21st Street, Sacramento.

Organizational Pattern

Mr. Wilson reported that Mr. Smith is recovering and will probably return to his office on October 1.

Some letters of support are being sent, but more are needed. The CATA resolution was received by Mr. Smith's office and will be considered upon his return.

Mr. Wilson indicated that we would seek agriculture-industry support about October 1, and Leland Ruth has indicated that we will receive help from the Agricultural Council of California.

Re-Alignment of Sections

Mr. Wilson presented five alternate proposals. After much discussion a combination of alternative two and three was accepted.

Curriculum development will be chaired by Warren Reed with Sandy Beck and Jerry Barkley assisting.

New or Revised Sections

A proposal was made to split some larger sections and combine some smaller ones. No action was taken.

Regional FFA Advisors

The following assignments were made:

<u>Region</u>	<u>FFA Advisor</u>
Superior and North Coast Regions	Ted Gregg
Central Region	Sandy Beck
South Coast Region	Emile LaSalle
San Joaquin Region	Jerry Biggs
Southern and Southwestern Regions	Jim Maynard

Motion: Supervisors retain advisorship of all regional FFA activities. (Emile LaSalle)

Second: Jim Maynard

Passed

Regional Meeting Dates and Assignments

FALL

<u>Date</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Staff Assignment</u>
October 7	Central	Sandy Beck Warren Reed
October 28	South Coast	Don Wilson Emile LaSalle
October 28	Southern	Jim Maynard Jerry Barkley
October 28	San Joaquin	Bill Wills Jerry Biggs Warren Reed
October 28	North Coast	Jack Lawrence Ted Gregg
November 4	Superior	Don Wilson Ted Gregg
November 4	Southwestern	Jim Maynard Jerry Davis

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February 3	Central	Don Wilson Sandy Beck
February 3	South Coast	Warren Reed Emile LaSalle
February 24	Southwestern	Warren Reed Jack Lawrence Jim Maynard
February 24	Superior	Jerry Barkley
February 24	San Joaquin	Jerry Biggs Don Wilson
February 24	North Coast	Jerry Davis Ted Gregg Bill Wills
March 24	Southern	Don Wilson Jim Maynard

Coordination of Section Meetings

<u>Region</u>	<u>Coordination</u>
North Coast	R. H. Pedersen with Beck, Gregg & LaSalle
Southern	Jim Maynard with Biggs & LaSalle
Merced County	Sandy Beck with Jerry Biggs

Consideration of Fourth Regional Vocational Office

After a great deal of discussion, the staff agreed on the following points:

1. If the fourth office is composed of the same staffing as the present vocational offices and the subject matter field staff is reduced further, there is unanimous opposition.
2. It was agreed that if additional across-the-board staff are required, they should not be reassigned from the bureaus and serious consideration should be given to selecting these people from the other two units.
3. It was agreed that there should be consideration given to five or six regional offices that would include one across-the-board person and adequate clerical staff in addition to the four subject matter people.
4. It was agreed that if only four regional offices are established, the Central Region Office should be located farther north.

Use of CATA Members as Advisors for Regional and Sectional FFA Activities

A proposal was made to assign CATA officers to advise FFA activities.

Motion: The item be deleted from the agenda. (Maurice Fleming)

Second: Ted Gregg

Passed

Intern Agreement

Warren Reed passed out the new guidelines which include provisions for the Standard Designated Subjects Credential.

ROP/ROC - Agriculture Directory

Motion: All ROP/ROC's and teachers not included in the regular school program be listed in the Agriculture Directory. (Emile LaSalle)

Second: Jerry Biggs

Passed

FFA in ROP/ROC

It was agreed that it is our responsibility to encourage FFA chapters wherever there are youth that need to be served and the youth are enrolled in qualified vocational agriculture programs.

### Instructional Materials

Mr. Wilson announced that there are considerable materials available through Vocational Education Productions. This material will be distributed to the regional supervisors and they must determine the most effective use and method of distribution.

In addition there is authorization for 2,800 slide reprints. Those staff members needing reprints should contact Mr. Wilson soon.

### Chief State School Officers' Meeting

Mr. Wilson reminded us of our assignments to collect agriculture commodities for this meeting and checked upon our progress to date.

### FFA Convention Trip

Jerry Davis reported that the plans are progressing satisfactorily for the National FFA Convention trip. There are still several vacancies on the flight. Bob Pedersen will be the trip supervisor this year and will receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree.

### Placement

Warren Reed explained that the only jobs remaining are in the Los Angeles area.

Dan Areias is the only fully-qualified teacher available at this time.

Mr. Reed also reminded us that intern agreements must be completed.

### Teacher Education - Recruitment

The staff agreed that:

1. Visits to community colleges should be continued. (New assignments will be made at the January staff meeting.)
2. The headquarters office will follow-up on those community college students contacted last year to see if they have transferred to a four-year college.
3. More cooperation is needed between the teacher training institutions.
4. The major portion of the interviewing of student teachers would continue to be done by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Reed.
5. Because Chico and Davis have cooperated uniquely with their cadet program this year, a report should be presented by Ken Baker and Dennis Hampton at the October staff meeting.

### Committee Assignments

A list of assignments will be sent by our chief. Most assignments will remain the same with the following exceptions:

1. Jerry Biggs will be in charge of Cow Palace. (Supervision will be revised by Biggs since regional supervisors will no longer be involved.)

2. Sandy Beck - Cal Expo. (Supervision will be revised by Beck since regional supervisors will no longer be involved unless specifically assigned.)
3. Consideration needs to be given by the Teacher Education Committee to the following items:
  - a. What should be done to replace the Intern Workshop.
  - b. How can Skills Week be revised to give a fresh, new approach.
4. The Program Approach Committee must determine how to differentiate between vocational and non-vocational students in agriculture.
5. Jerry Biggs will report on his study of fairs and shows at the October staff meeting.
6. A sub-committee of the Teacher Education Committee will be appointed to study the needs of student teachers in regard to FFA.
7. The Supervised Occupational Experience Committee will be continued.

#### Economic Content of Vocational Education

Warren Reed will respond to Richard Nelson on the extent of economic content in vocational agricultural education.

#### Posture of Agricultural Materials in the District Plan

The supervisors generally agreed that the agriculture portion is incomplete.

Sandy Beck reported that he has developed a prepared amendment to the district plan which he sends to the district for their signature. The amendment is returned and is attached to the plan.

Ted Gregg reported that he is holding a series of workshops at sectional meetings to assist the teachers to include the required information in their plan.

Emile LaSalle reported that he sent a format to the districts prior to the preparation of the new plans and that generally the plans have improved.

The staff agreed that if proof of standards are missing in the plan, there will be follow-up by the regional supervisors and amendments will be required.

#### Use of State FFA Officers

Jerry Davis reported that state officers will be available to assist this year, particularly Calvin Dooley, State President.

They might be used in some of the following FFA activities:

1. Leadership conferences.
2. Athletic competition between chapters, sections, or regions.
3. Project Competition.
4. Public Speaking and Parliamentary Procedure.
5. Co-Op Quiz.
6. Scoring applications for degrees and awards.

Mr. Davis also reported that the new Project Competition booklets would be available soon. Colored pictures or slides are desperately needed. All staff should submit these pictures to Jerry Davis immediately.

Curricular Code

A new supply of Curricular Codes have been distributed to the regional supervisors. They should be distributed to all agriculture teachers as soon as possible.

Jerry Biggs asked for clarification of page 2, Section G, number 10. This rule was passed by CATA at Summer Conference and prohibits assistance of agriculture teachers on FFA entries during a fair or show.

The staff agreed that this rule would be enforced beginning at Cal Expo.

Program Approach

Sandy Beck distributed the slides, handout material, and script for the program approach presentations to be made by all supervisors at sectional CATA meetings this fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p. m. by Mr. Wilson.

Ted Gregg  
Secretary