

MINUTES
FFA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
SACRAMENTO
MAY 12, 1981

Gary Hunt, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. He then asked for any additions to the agenda, and the following were agreed upon:

1. Next meeting date
2. CATA Conference meeting dates
3. Report on the History Book
4. Cost of the FFA Convention (discussion on how the expenses can be lowered)

The Minutes of the December 16, 1980 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

ITEM 5. - REVIEW OF 1980-81 AB-8 ACTIVITIES

Mr. Davis handed out an AB-8 Budget analysis which explained how the AB-8 money was used. One suggested change was to increase the allocation of \$24,875.00 under Student Leadership Development to \$35,000, giving \$5,000 to each of the seven regions to use at their own discretion under Instructional Materials.

The Member Handbook was praised by all members of the committee.

ITEM 7 - STATUS OF AB-8 FUNDS FOR 1981-82

Mr. Wilson commented on pending legislation for AB-8 funds.

ITEM 6 - REVIEW OF PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1981-82

Mr. Wilson stated that these funds are for the direct use of student organizations. He feels that something new needs to happen within FFA regarding the use of AB-8 funds.

State Fair people would like to see more FFA involvement. They would like to see Feature Booths. Mr. Davis commented that a professional booth for the FFA is on the drawing board and is being designed to exhibit California FFA and Vocational Agriculture.

ITEM 8 - 1980-81 VO-AG ENROLLMENT AND FFA MEMBERSHIP

Vocational Agriculture enrollment is up 199 from last year. By regions, Vo-Ag Enrollment is:

Region	1979-80	1980-81	Increase/ Decrease	Percent Increase/ Decrease
Central	6,470	6,769	+ 299	+ 4.6
North Coast	4,783	5,058	+ 275	+ 5.4
San Joaquin	9,106	8,726	- 380	- 4.2
South Coast	4,051	4,368	+ 317	+ 7.8
Southern	7,826	7,848	+ 22	+ 0.3
Southwestern	7,187	6,963	- 224	- 3.1
Superior	6,158	6,048	- 110	- 1.8
Totals	45,581	45,780	+ 199	+ 0.44

FFA membership is up 315 members from last year. The statistics, by regions, are:

Region	1979-80	1980-81	Increase/ Decrease	Percent Increase/ Decrease
Central	3,413	3,708	+ 295	+ 9.0
North Coast	1,634	1,564	- 70	- 4.0
San Joaquin	3,794	3,931	+ 137	+ 4.0
South Coast	1,936	2,118	+ 182	+ 9.0
Southern	2,683	2,635	- 48	- 2.0
Southwestern	1,888	1,765	- 123	- 7.0
Superior	2,051	1,993	- 58	- 3.0
Totals	17,399	17,714	+ 315	+ 3.0

Mr. Wilson stated that these statistics should stay about the same.

ITEM 9 - UTILIZATION OF \$450 (P.L. 94-482) FUNDS BY LOCAL CHAPTERS

It seems that the money has been used for items such as audio visual materials, field trips, and updating FFA materials.

ITEM 10 - 1981 STATE FFA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REVIEW

Some of the comments included: generally good; move the convention to the Summer; agenda and/or committee meeting minutes be included with the convention packet to orient members to their respective committees.

The Advisory Committee felt strongly about the idea of giving the preliminary awards at the judging critiques and then announcing only the first high team and top individuals.

ITEM 11 - 4-H RELATIONSHIPS

Mr. Davis and Mr. Wilson reported that in the past our relations have been good. There has been some reports of Fairs putting both 4-H and FFA classes together.

ITEM 12 - REPORT ON FFA PARTICIPATION IN EQUIPMENT SHOWS

The State staff feel this a good move because it will provide FFA with public relations tools and will include not only State FFA Officers but Regional, Sectional, and Chapter Officers as well.

ITEM 13 - STATE FARMER SCORING

The application for State Farmer is under committee review. Delegates, at the State Convention, voted in favor of a \$250 increase for the State Farmer requirement.

ITEM 14 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Harold Johnson was elected Chairman of the FFA Advisory Committee for the coming year.

ITEM 15 - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ONE-YEAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Gary Hunt thanked the members for the time they have given to this committee.

ITEM 18 - HISTORY BOOK

Mr. Davis said the book will be ready by CATA Conference time and will be on sale from VEP at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Each chapter will receive two copies, and the State Staff and former State FFA Officers will receive copies.

ITEM 17 - CATA CONFERENCE AND FFA CONVENTION DATES

The 1982 dates for CATA Summer Conference and Skills Week will be June 21-27, and the FFA State Leadership Conference will be held May 1-4, 1982.

ITEM 19 - COST OF NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION TRIP

Gary Hunt thought Amtrak might be less costly and possibly more advantageous.

ITEM 16 - NEXT MEETING OF THE FFA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 1981, at the State Education Building, 721 Capitol Mall, in Sacramento.

ITEM 20 - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.