STATE FFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING California Farm Bureau Federation Building September 21-22, 1982

The Fall meeting of the State Executive Committee of the California Association Future Farmers of America was held at the state headquarters building of the California Farm Bureau Federation, 1601 Exposition Boulevard, Sacramento. Mr. Greg Carson made arrangements for the Committee to use this beautiful facility and, in addition, hosted a special luncheon for members of the Committee. We were honored to have Mr. Henry Voss, President of the California Farm Bureau Federation, speak to us at the luncheon. We offer a very special thanks to Mr. Carson for his work and support of our activity.

#### Call to Order

The Fall meeting of the State Executive Committee of the California Association of Future Farmers of America was called to order by President Michele Wakeham at 1:50 p.m., on Tuesday, September 21, 1982. Roll was taken. Fourteen members and two advisors were present. President Wakeham welcomed everyone and added more agenda items. Those items included Senate Bill 187 and the State Convention.

# National Convention Trip

Business began with Tom Munter, Coordinator of Special FFA Projects, reviewing the National Convention Trip. Next, Mr. Davis discussed the Santa Fe Railway funds and enlightened the group on the Regional Presidents' responsibilities at the National FFA Convention.

# FFA Financing

Mr. Davis briefed the group on AB-8 funding.

#### Membership

Mr. Davis then talked about membership. He handed out materials developed by Mr. Wilson on the proposed goals for the 1982-83 year. Those goals are as follows:

North Coast Region - 1,725 members
South Coast Region - 2,250 members
Superior Region - 2,100 members
Central Region - 3,875 members
San Joaquin Region - 4,150 members
Southern Region - 2,675 members
Southwestern Region - 1,800 members

The proposed membership goal of the State Association for the 1982-83 year is 18,575.

#### Constitutional Items

With respect to Article V, Section B, par. 2 (membership), Kevin Schoon-hoven, President of the San Joaquin Region, moved to instruct the delegates to the National Convention to vote yes. Carolyn Coleman, President of the Southern Region, seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion carried unanimously.

The three delegates to the National Convention will vote in favor of the proposed amendment concerning membership.

On Article VI, Section D, Item 1 (State Farmer Degree), Sue Lautze, President of the North Coast Region, moved to instruct the delegates to the National Convention to vote yes. Stuart Minugh, President of the South Coast Region, seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The delegates to the National Convention will vote yes on the proposed amendment concerning the State Farmer Degree.

Brett Robinson, President of the Superior Region, moved to instruct the delegates to the National Convention to vote no on any topics indicating an increase in dues. Sue Lautze seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion failed.

Carolyn Coleman moved that the three delegates to the National Convention use their discretion when voting on topics of dues increases. Brett Robinson seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion passed.

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Brett Robinson moved that California send letters to other states instructing them how to vote on the topic of dues increases. The motion was seconded. Debate followed.

Stephanie Sill, State Treasurer, moved to refer the topic of a letter concerning budgets to a committee of five, to be appointed by the chair, and to report back to the group at the September 22 meeting. Darin Coert, President of the Southwestern Region, seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion carried.

A committee, consisting of Pedro Quiroz, acting as Chairman; Sue Lautze, Brett Robinson; Stuart Minugh; and Steve Arnaudo was appointed and will report on September 22.

#### Overview of SB-187

Jan Eberly, Past State President, gave this overview. She enlightened the group on the plans for Agricultural Education in California and the reconstruction of the Agricultural Education staff. Jan also discussed the Agricultural Vocational Education Advisory Committee and her participation as a member.

# Chapter Officers' Conferences

Lori Dennis, State Secretary, gave a report on these conferences. She covered the dates and locations of the conferences and reviewed the program, highlighting the responsibilities of the regional officers.

# Chapter Visits

Giovanni Ferrendelli, State Reporter, discussed this topic and told the group which chapters are set up for visits.

#### Annual Goodwill Tour

Larry Pisani, State Sentinel, told the Committee about this tour and that State Officers, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Tom Munter will be making visits to thank various companies which strongly support the FFA.

# Next State FFA Executive Committee Meeting

Michele Wakeham announced that the next State Executive Committee Meeting has been tentatively scheduled for January 16-18, 1983.

# Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

# September 22, 1982

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Wakeham, at 8:05 a.m. Roll was taken. Thirteen members and one advisor sere present.

# Committee Report

Steve Arnaudo, President of the Central Region, gave the report of the committee appointed the previous day. The committee recommended a "no" vote on the subject of writing a letter to other states concerning dues increases. A vote was taken on the question of whether to send a letter to other states opposing a dues increase. The vote was unanimous.

The California Association will not send a letter to other states instructing them how to vote on the topic of dues increases.

#### Regional Reports

Reports were given by the seven Regional Presidents. Kevin Schoonhoven, President of the San Joaquin Region, reported on the goals and activities they have set. Carolyn Coleman, President of the Southern Region, reported her region has selected "We Believe" as their official theme. She also told the group of the goals and activities set for the Southern Region. Steve Arnaudo, President of the Central Region, reported on the activities and goals

set for the Central Region and announced their theme for this year is "You Are Important." Sue Lautze, President of the North Coast Region, reported on the goals and activities set for their region and said their theme this year is "Let's Get Educated in Agriculture Right Now." Then Brett Robinson of the Superior Region, announced their theme for the coming year is "FFA-The Future Is Ours." He also told the group of the plans for the Superior Region. Next, Stuart Minugh, of the South Coast Region, reported on the happenings in that region. Darin Coert, President of the Southwestern Region, reported on the goals that region hopes to achieve.

# State Officers' Reports

President Michele Wakeham gave a report on her attendance at the Arizona State FFA Convention and briefed the Committee on the differences between Arizona's and California's conventions.

Pedro Quiroz gave a report on the State President's Conference held in Washington, D. C. He explained the activities in which he participated and reported on the people he met.

Treasurer, Stephanie Sill briefed the group on the FFA Advisors' Workshop in which the State Officers participated.

Larry Pisani, State Stentinel, then reported on the activities at the State Fair.

State Reporter, Giovanni Ferrendelli introduced items of statewide interest. These items included the development of the "New Seed" and the slide responsibilities of each contributing region.

Stephanie Sill told the group of the idea of getting the President of the United States to speak at the State Leadership Conference and asked the group to write letters to the President.

Tom Munter then distributed expense claim forms.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dennis, State Secretary California Association FFA