

SENATE BILL 1083
AGRICULTURE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES (FOURTH) MEETING

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DATE: August 1, 1984--9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: Board Room, California Farm Bureau
Federation Building
Sacramento

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Olson - Chairperson
Kay Albiani
Jack Chappell
Robert Dempel
J.T. Elings
Mark Linder
Joe Martinez
Larry Rathbun
Tracy Shortman
Laura Tower

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dave Austin
Jan Eberly
Ted Hirayama
Joe Nunez

OTHERS PRESENT: Jean Landeen
Ken Harris
Mark Schieber
Don Wilson

- ITEM #1 - Called to Order at 9:30 a.m.
- ITEM #2 - Moved by Kay Albiani, Seconded by J.T. Elings to accept minutes of June 27, 1984 as mailed - Passed.
- ITEM #3 - There were no adjustments to agenda.
- ITEM #4 & #5 - Don Wilson--Introduced and explained the 17 State Plan Standards.
 - 1984-85 Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant--Comments and explanations.
 - Reviewed draft and progress of the application
 - Explained that the new process is based on allowing funds based for meeting specific standards.

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Moved by Laura Tower - seconded by Mark Linder that:

- Steve Olson shall write a letter to the State School Board in support of the proposed 1984-85 Incentive Grant Process. He shall also identify committee representatives who will be present at the Board Meeting. Passed. Don will advise Steve as to the schedule for the Board Meeting and status of proposal on the agenda.

Questions and Comments:

- The district is not allowed to reduce effort,
- The Regional Supervisors will verify applications and report to Don Wilson. Wilson will forward list for allocating funds to the Department Apportionment Unit. Allocation will be made in two parts. One in January and one in April.
- Supervisors will verify the standards in their area throughout the year.
- Suggested the Vocational Agriculture Departments use the Incentive Grant Application as an opportunity to make local school boards aware of the Ag Program. The Supervisors will encourage the teachers to do this.
- Steve Olson requested information about use of Incentive Grant funds.
- Moved by Kay Albani - seconded by Laura Towers to request a Slide Presentation regarding use of incentive funds prepared by Regional Supervisors to be presented at fall meeting in conjunction with copy of the report to the legislature. Passed.

- ITEM #6 - Project Life Lab - Steve Olson opened discussion about the request for \$130,000 of funds for Project Life Lab. The need for a system or procedure for allocating of those funds was discussed. It was suggested that the procedure may include a review of curriculum.

Moved by Laura Tower - seconded by Tracy Shortman that:

- Program standards similar to those that apply to the Vocational Ag Program be developed for Project Life Lab.

J.T. Elings moved and Kay Albani seconded to table the motion. Passed.

Mark Linder suggested that this committee act as the supervisory agent for all consumer outreach activities life Life Lab.

Steve Olson appointed a committee to draw up questions and concerns in a letter to be sent to the attention of Senator Vuich regarding an interpretation of how funds

for Project Life Lab are to be spent. The committee will be: Kay Albiani, Mark Linder, and Bob Dempel. It will reported back to this Advisory Group in November.

- ITEM 37 - Farm Lab facilities and Field Act exemptions - Ken Harris presented information and ideas for seeking Field Act exemptions for Agricultural facilities. He proposed to include all Ag facilities in (b) of existing legislation.

Moved by Kay Albiani - seconded by J.T. Elings to: Request Ken to draft wording for the legislation, have it cleared by those aware of the political process, and return to us in November with wording and suggested sponsors. Passed.

- ITEM #8 - LUNCH - Great sandwiches, thanks to Sandy Beck, Chief Procurement Officer.

Comments on the Video Tapes. Great! Regional Supervisors and Agriculture Teacher Education Departments have copies that can be used with advisory committees.

- ITEM #9 - Strategy for placing grant in 1985-86 Budget. Don Wilson and Ken Harris discussed the problems of annually requesting funding for Vocational Ag. Ideas for placing grant funds in both the Department of Education and the Governor's Budgets were presented.

Moved by Larry Rathbun - seconded by Kay Albiani that: the Advisory Committee write Bill Honig and Governor Dukemajian requesting that the Vocational Ag funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 be included in the budget for 1985-86. Passed. Steve will work on wording of the letter and identify recipients of copies. Don Wilson will assist.

- ITEM #10 - Report on re-authorization of Federal funds. Don Wilson reported that the Federal Act will probably be a re-authorized on a yearly basis--at least for this year.

Kay Albiani recommended that we invite Bill Honig to be the luncheon speaker next meeting.

- ITEM #11 - Vocational Education in the Comprehensive High School. Larry Rathbun's recommendation. Passed. Larry will work with Warren Reed to develop a position paper for reaction at the next meeting.

- ITEM #12 - Involvement of local agriculture Advisory Committee with State Advisory Committee. Discussion followed. Suggestions were presented to build communication.
- Circulate Golden Slate to all chair person of local Advisory Committees. Include a column of activities of State Advisory Committee.

- Review Advisory Committee booklet for improvement and Statewide distribution.

Moved by Joe Martinez - seconded by Mark Linder to:
Request Ken Harris working with Regional Supervisors, to develop a list of Local Advisory Committee Chairperson.
Passed.

Steve will prepare an article for Golden Slate on State Advisory Committee activity.

- ITEM #13 - Nominating Committee to select Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson to make recommendations for committee replacements. Committee members--appointed by Steve:
 - Tracy Shortman - Chairperson
 - Laura Tower
 - Dave AustinCommittee will report at November meeting.
- ITEM #14 - Date and Site for fifth meeting.
Because Bill Honig is requested as a luncheon guest, the date will be based on Bill Honig's schedule. November 12 or 15 were recommended. It is to be some place in Sacramento; at Farm Bureau Building is first choice, or Ed Building as second choice.
- ITEM #15 - Thoughts for future meetings:
 - Ag for Science Credit and the effect on Vocational nature of programs.
 - Larry Rathbun--Teachers are looking at science for for survival. Some are more concerned about a job than quality Vocational Ag.
 - Larry Rathbun--Will there be a decrease in enrollment due to increased standards.
 - Kay Albiani--Teachers need to get political, show what you are actually doing.
 - Larry Rathbun--Can we hear the problem from the teachers?
- ITEM #16 - AB-8--\$500,000 Budget item. Brief report on use of the funds for leadership activities of vocational student organizations.
- ITEM #17 - Moved by Laura Towers - seconded by Joe Martinez to send a letter of appreciation to Gen Maden for services to the Advisory Committee. Passed.
- ITEM #18 - Ken Harris announced formation of Community College Advisory Committee. He suggested the possibility of the two committees sharing a meeting once a year.

Adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

NOTE: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 1984 at 9:00 a.m. in the California Farm Bureau Headquarters, located on Exposition Boulevard in Sacramento.