STATE FFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM 241, AGRICULTURE BUILDING CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY SAN LUIS OBISPO CA

MAY 4, 1984

Call to Order

The pre-convention meeting of the State Executive Committee of the California Association of Future Farmers of America was called to order by President Michael Gayaldo at 9:00 a.m. Roll call showed that all officers were present or accounted for..

Review of Minutes

Daron Spears, Central Region President, moved to accept the Mid-Winter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes. Kristine Walter, President of the South Coast Region, seconded the motion. There was no debate. The motion passed unanimously.

Membership Report

Mr. Donald E. Wilson, State Advisor, gave the report which indicated that membership had increased, thanks to the State Officers, Regional Officers, the Advisors, and Members. Vo-ag enrollment has decreased while the FFA membership has increased; however, less than 50% of the vo-ag students are FFA members. There will also be an effort to increase membership during the 56th Annual Leadership Conference.

Regional Reports

The Regional Reports were given by the respective Regional Presidents. SEE APPENDIX 1.

Conference Program and Agenda

Kevin Schoonhoven, the State Vice President, reviewed the program and asked the Regional Presidents to tell delegates to be on time for the sessions, committee meetings, and other activities scheduled during the conference.

Registration and Packet Distribution

Christine Anderson, State Secretary, said this would be the responsibility of the Regional Officers.

Courtesy Corps

Brett Robinson, State Sentinel, indicated the Courtesy Corps will meet on Saturday evening with him, Mr. Tom Munter, Mr. Glen Casey, and CFFA. Corps members will not go to the regional meetings. They will be stationed in the Game Room and will collect the cards of members not in sessions.

State Farmer Degree Report

Christine Anderson indicated that 420 applicants received the degree; that 520 had applied. It would have been possible for 564 to receive it. Mr. Davis mentioned that at least 700 should apply.

Regional Meetings

Steve Arnaudo, State Reporter, said there is a time for regional meetings on Saturday evening. All regions except the North Coast will have Monday morning meetings also. Regional Presidents are supposed to distribute the proposed Constitutional Changes.

Conference Roll Call Procedures

Christine Anderson asked the Regional Presidents to turn in all Roll Call sheets before the sessions start. The figures given at the microphone and on the sheets must be accurate.

Committee Meetings

Michael Gayaldo asked the Regional Presidents to encourage all members to attend the meetings or Chapter Dvnamics. A person assigned to the Nominating Committee will need to be replaced if their chapter has a candidate for State Office. President Mike Gayaldo will appoint new members to fill any vacancies or replacement. It was determined that Forestville-El Molino and Visalia-Mt. Whitney had individuals on the Nominating Committee and candidates for State Office. The Nominating Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Balloting and Campaign Procedures

Mike Gayaldo reviewed these items.

Executive Committee Dinner

Mr. Davis informed the committee that this dinner is held for the State Officers, Regional Presidents, State Officers' Parents and Special Guests to say "thank you." Committee members were requested to be there early.

Behavior

Brett Robinson asked the Regional Presidents to cover the following points at their Regional Meetings: Courtesy Corps; the number of people permitted in the game room; taking care of the campus; courtesy in restaurants; and that there be no clapping in rhythm.

State Star Reporter

Steve Arnaudo explained the procedure for selecting the State Star Reporter. The presentations should be limited to no more than two minutes.

State Star Advisor

Kevin Schoonhoven indicated the State Star Advisor would be selected Sunday evening. Candidates are to be escorted to the stage. Presentations are to be about two minutes in length.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Mike Gayaldo asked Steve Arnaudo to review the two proposals on the State Farmer Degree and reapportionment of voting delegates. SEE APPENDIX 2.

Kevin Schoonhoven, State Vice President, moved that the Executive Committee recommend a "yes" vote on Section D, new item (7) which states that a State Farmer Degree Candidate "must have worked for a minimum of 500 hours on his/her supervised occupational experience program." Cheri Morrell, North Coast Region President seconded the motion. Debate followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Daron Spears, Central Region President, moved that the Executive Committee recommend a "yes" vote on Section D, new item (8) which states that a State Farmer Degree Candidate "must score a minimum of 18 points on the record book portion of the State Farmer application in order to be eligible for the degree. Kristine Walter, South Coast Region President seconded the motion. Debate followed. Daron Spears moved the previous question. The vote was 7 affirmative; 6 negative. Debate followed. Daron Spears withdrew the motion. There were objections. Daron Spears moved to withdraw the motion. It was seconded. There was no debate. The motion was withdrawn by voice vote. Michele Wakeham, Past State President moved that the Executive Committee recommend a "no" vote on Section D, new item (8). Daron Spears seconded this motion. Debate followed. The motion failed by a 7 to 7 vote. Brett Robinson, State Sentinel, moved to recommend an abstention. Andrea Swartz, Superior Region President, seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 6.

Daron Spears, Central Region President, moved that the Executive Committee recommend a "yes" vote on Section A which states that each local chapter in good standing shall be "guaranteed at least two voting delegates at the annual meeting. A chapter with a starting base membership of thirty receives an additional delegate, and then each increment of sixty members above the starting base receives an extra delegate. All of the above figures shall be derived by the previous year's state membership totals." Jeff Kurasz, Southern Region President, seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Honorary State Farmers

Kevin Schoonhoven, State Vice President, moved that the following individuals be awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree: Karl Kartcher, Lark Carter, and Rose Ann Vuich. Andrea Swartz, Superior Region President, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Distinguished</u> Service Awards

Michele Wakeham, Past State President, moved that the State Executive Committee recommend the following individuals for the Distinguished Service Award: Orie Reed, Louis Parreira, Steve Cox, and Bob Clarke. Christine Anderson, State Secretary, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Best Informed Greenhand Contest

Kevin Schoonhoven discussed this item.

Chapter Visits

Steve Arnaudo presented a list of chapters visited by this year's State Officer Team. A total of 164 chapters have been visited.

Business Session at Conference

Mike Gayaldo discussed the procedures which will be followed at the Business Sessions during the 56th Annual State FFA Leadership Conference.

Dues

Mr. Davis discussed this issue and said that a way must be found to solve the problem. Solutions suggested included:

- 1. Have each chapter pay a fee.
- 2. Use AB-8 funds to pay for magazines for every member.

Brett Robinson, State Sentinel, moved that the State Executive Committee go on record as recommending that every vocational agriculture student be an FFA member. Wendy Roarty, Southwestern Region President, seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Star Advisor Selection

Michele Wakeham, Past State President, moved that the State Executive Committee utilize all information the Regional Presidents present. Christine Anderson, State Secretary, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Star Atate Advisor was selected.

Adjournment

Mike Gayaldo, State FFA President, adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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