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CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA  
STATE FFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Second Floor Conference Room  
California Farm Bureau Federation Building  
Sacramento, California

September 17-18, 1984

Call to Order

The Fall Executive Committee Meeting of the California Association of Future Farmers of America was called to order by President Andrea Swartz at 1:15pm on September 17, 1984. Roll call found the following in attendance: President Swartz, Vice President Darin Coert, Secretary Wendy Roarty, Treasurer John Pavletich, Reporter Paul Kuber, Sentinel Carolyn Coleman, Past President Michael Gayaldo, North Coast Region President Gina Barbera, South Coast Region President Ron Flaharty, Superior Region President Ben Berthelson, Central Region Vice President Serena Benadum, San Joaquin Region Vice President Paul Pavletich, Southern Region President Carri Estes, Southwestern Region President Steve Davis, Assistant State FFA Advisor Mr. Jerry T. Davis, and Special Projects Coordinator Mr. Tom Munter.

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the 1984 Spring Executive Committee Meeting were approved as read.

National FFA Business

Mr. Jerry Davis explained that the National Organization has not yet compiled any constitutional amendments for the National Convention.

National Convention Trip

Mr. Tom Munter reported that about 150 students, advisors, and parents have made reservations for the National Convention trip.

Santa Fe Railroad Merit Award

Mr. Davis explained that each Regional President and State Officer will receive a special award of \$200.00 to help with the cost of the National Convention trip. Mr. Davis noted that all Regional Presidents and State Officers will be obligated to attend a special banquet at the National Convention which is being hosted by Santa Fe for the Merit Award recipients.

Regional Officers' Responsibilities at National Convention

Carolyn Coleman reported that each Regional President will be responsible

for bed check and roll call throughout the trip. Presidents were also reminded that their image counts because others will be looking up to them.

#### State FFA Budget

Mr. Davis reported that current membership dues in California is \$4.00. The breakdown is \$2.50 to the National Organization and \$1.50 to the state, 50¢ of which is rebated to the regions.

#### Chapter Officer Conferences

Wendy Roarty explained the entire program with emphasis on the duties of the Regional Officers. SEE APPENDIX 1.

#### Chapter Visit Program

John Pavletich reported that the State Officers have a tentative plan for chapters to be visited this coming year. He also noted that if any chapter requests a visit the State Officers will try to honor their requests. SEE APPENDIX 2.

#### Goodwill Tour

Paul Kuber announced that the annual Goodwill Tour of the State Officers will be from December 9-15, 1984. The main reason for the tour is to say thank you to major FFA supporters in California. The State Officers will be working on the State FFA Convention during this time also.

#### Mid-Winter Executive Committee Meeting

Andrea Swartz explained basically what the Mid-Winter meetings have been in the past. Informal discussion followed.

Motion: John Pavletich moved to "recommend to the State Staff that, if funds are available, the Mid-Winter Executive Committee Meeting include all Regional Officers and for that meeting to be held in the month of January in a central statewide location such as Fresno." Carolyn Coleman seconded the motion. Debate followed.

Amendment: Carri Estes moved to amend the motion by adding, "Fall Executive Committee Meeting minutes and the Winter agenda shall be sent out to all Regional Officers approximately two weeks prior to the meeting." Michael Gayaldo seconded the amendment. Debate followed.

Vote: The amendment and the main motion each passed unanimously.

Region Reports

Regional Reports were given by the respective President or representative.  
SEE APPENDIX 3.

Recess

The meeting was recessed by President Swartz at 4:20pm.

Reconvene

The meeting was reconvened by President Swartz at 8:04am on September 18, 1984.

Region Reports (continued)

The remainder of the region reports were given. SEE APPENDIX 3.

Welcome

President Henry Voss of the California Farm Bureau Federation gave a welcome from the Farm Bureau and he also explained about the Farm Bureau organization and the Young Farmers Program.

Arizona Conference

Andrea Swartz reported that she attended the Arizona State FFA Leadership Conference June 20-22, 1984. While in Arizona she addressed the delegation and judged the public speaking contest. She noted different ideas which she will keep in mind when planning the California Leadership Conference.

State Presidents' Conference

Darin Coert reported that both he and Andrea Swartz attended the State FFA Presidents' Conference July 22-28, 1984 in Washington, D.C. The conference was sponsored by the Chevrolet Motor Division of the General Motors Corporation. While in attendance, Darin and Andrea toured the National FFA Headquarters and heard President Ronald Reagan speak to the group in the White House Rose Garden.

State Fair Booth

Carolyn Coleman reported that the new booth was made by Bob Pershing of U.C. Davis. Carolyn also thanked the San Joaquin Region, South Coast Region, Superior Region and the North Coast Region for their help in manning the booth.

### Membership Report

Mr. Donald E. Wilson, State FFA Advisor, reported that the Superior Region will be taking part in a new program and will be called the pilot region for the year. In Superior, every Vo-Ag student will automatically be an FFA member for the current year. Mr. Wilson also talked about ways to encourage 9th and 10th grade students to become FFA members.

### New Seed

Paul Kuber reported that this year there will be two issues of the New Seed, one in the Winter and one in the Spring. Some goals for this year are to increase the number of pictures in the New Seed and to add an educational puzzle of some type.

### Slide Responsibilities

Paul Kuber explained that the state will once again hold a slide show report on the State Officers' year. All Regional Reporters are encouraged to submit slides.

### Chapter Officer Handbook

Darin Coert reported that this is a relatively new idea and that the State Officers are compiling a book to be given to each officer at the upcoming Chapter Officer Conferences.

### State Farmer Degree Application

John Pavletich reported that the State Officers are compiling a book with sample applications and hints on applying for the State Farmer Degree.

### National Officer Preparation

Michael Gayaldo reported that Mr. Munter is helping him to train for National FFA Officer Screening which will take place at the National Convention in November.

### Thank You's

Andrea gave everyone the address of the two hosts of our meeting and encouraged everyone to write. The hosts are:

Mr. Henry Voss, President  
California Farm Bureau Federation  
1601 Exposition Boulevard  
Sacramento, CA 95815

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Thank You's (continued)

Mr. Mark Linder, Program Director  
Member Relations Division  
(same address)

NLCSO

Wendy Roarty reported that the State Officers attended the National Leadership Conference for State Officers in Bend, Oregon on June 29 - July 2, 1984. The conference was similar to the Rocklin Conference for Regional Officers and all of the State Officers came back with new ideas from the other states.

Movie

"Be All You Can Dream," a special movie produced by the National FFA Center and sponsored by Wrangler, was shown courtesy of the Farm Bureau.

Adjournment

Andrea Swartz adjourned the meeting at 10:27am.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Wendy Roarty*

Wendy Roarty, Secretary  
California Association FFA