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CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA
MID-WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING MINUTES
January 20-21, 1986

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

A meeting of the California Association Future Farmers of America Mid-Winter Executive Committee meeting was called to order on Monday, January 20, 1986 at 12:30 am by President Steven G. Davis. The meeting was held at the California State Grange headquarters in Sacramento.

ROLL CALL:

The following committee members were present: Steven G. Davis, Serena M. Benadum, Carri J. Estes, Paul C. Pavletich, Darrin W. Silveria, Robert J. French, Mike Gomes, Sean Berson, Kelli Faulkner, Steve Simmons, Kathleen Binns, Nicholas Wells, Andrea Swartz, Mr. Thomas Munter, and Mr. Jerry T. Davis.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Carri Estes moved to accept the Fall Executive Committee minutes as submitted. Robert French seconded the motion. The motion passed 13-0.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

The following were agenda additions made by committee members:

- (22) California Association FFA recommendations
- (23) Great Western Livestock Show

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Mr. Davis reported on the leadership packets up-to-date there have been 25,803 packets sent out to 251 chapters. There is a projected increase of 36,680 members which would leave a yearend total of 29,468 members, with an increase of membership in turn comes an increase of American Farmers to about 45-47. Mr. Davis recommended the use of the packets in the future. The packet price will probably increase as a result of the increase of National FFA dues. Mr. Davis and two other regional presidents are serving on a committee to research the price of packets for 1986-87 from \$5.00 to \$6.00.

FFA STATUS REPORT:

Mr. Davis reported on the schools in each region that have not paid their dues as of January 20, 1986.

NORTH COAST REGION

Alameda - Encinal
Fairfield - Armijo
Forestville - El Molino
Fortuna
Half Moon Bay
Healdsburg
Middletown
Pleasanton - Amador
Sonoma Valley HS
Vacaville
Fremont - Newark ROP

CENTRAL REGION

Galt
Hughson
Modesto - Byers
Newman - Orestimba
Oakdale
Riverbank
Sacramento - Luther Burbank
Sonora
Winters

SOUTHWESTERN REGION

Artesia
Camarillo
La Puente - Nogales
La Puente - Valley
LA - Jordan MGT
LA - Lincoln
Oxnard - Channel Island
Palmdale
Torrence - So Cal ROP

SOUTH COAST REGION

Monterey - Seaside HS
Morgan Hill - Live Oak
Salinas - Alisal
Soquel

SUPERIOR REGION

Sutter

SAN JOAQUIN REGION

Bakersfield HS
Bakersfield - Foothill
Corcoran
Strathmore

SOUTHERN REGION

Apple Valley
Beaumont
Bloomington
Calexico
Escondido - Orange Glen
Palm Springs
Perris
Rialto - Eisenhower
San Bernardino - San Geronimo
San Bernardino HS

NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION REPORT:

Darrin Silveria talked about 170 delegates that took part of the National FFA Convention. Darrin gave all the committee members a handout with all the National award winners.

STATE OFFICER GOODWILL TOUR REPORT:

Rob French reported that the state officers and Mr. Davis visited the following businesses:

Monday, Dec. 9

Wells Fargo Bank
Agricultural Council

Tuesday, Dec. 10

California Seed Association
Forestry Protection
Mc Millen and Payne

Wednesday, Dec. 11

Fresno State University
Bank of America

Thursday, Dec. 12

Production Credit Ass.

Friday, Dec. 13

Security Pacific National Bank
Cal State Polytechnic Univerisity, Pomona

STATE FFA FOUNDATION REPORT:

Steven Davis reported on the State FFA Foundation report which was held on January 16 at the Cattlemen's Association headquarters. Bill Stieger brought up some recommendations which would be sponsored by the Foundation:

- 1) Breakfast with legislators here and back in Washington DC
- 2) Certificates to all contest participants
- 3) Sponsor a trip back to Washington DC for FFA Foundation sponsors and spouses
- 4) FFA leadership center
- 5) Quarterly financial statement 151,000 assets and total net worth

The next FFA Foundation meeting is scheduled for July 23, 1986.

CHAPTER VISIT REPORT:

Rob French reported on the chapter visits made by state officers. He presented each committee member with a list of visits made in each region and the future planned visits. He also included a contact letter used to contact chapters. There are 59 visits planned before February 28.

REGIONAL REPORTS:

REGIONAL REPORT

The Southwestern region recently held a regional executive meeting on January 11, 1986. We discussed National FFA Week, the State Farmer luncheon, the upcoming spring regional activities.

For National FFA Week the Southwestern region has planned to contact radio and television stations in the three counties of the region and investigate the possibility of them broadcasting a public service announcement. We are also contacting each chapter within our region and offering to them a regional officer to attend any activity that they may have planned for the week.

We planned our State Farmer luncheon which will be held on April 26, 1986 at 12:00 at Pierce College. We have scheduled to recognize our star sectional and regional farmer, our star sectional and regional advisor, and present our sectional and regional proficiency awards and the superior chapter awards.

Our upcoming spring regional meeting is to be held on April 12. We will be electing our new star regional advisor and regional officers. We will be presenting regional awards in the areas of prepared public speaking, extemporaneous public speaking, and creed speaking. We will be recognizing our new regional honorary farmers. The officer team's nominations are the staff of Mt. Sac, Ted Hirayama, and Mr. Mosberger.

The regional officers, in an attempt to increase chapter delegate attendance at State Leadership Conference, has taken on a campaign of contacting the president and advisor of chapters who have not been attending and encouraging them to participate.

The region is looking forward to and preparing for the following events: Fillmore Tractor Driving Contest January 25, Antelope Valley Freshmen Field Day February 6, Ventura Sectional contests February 19, Ventura/Antelope Valley Parli-Pro Contest March 5, Orange Sectional contests March 11, Regional Screening March 15, Southern Region Creed contest March 17, Los Angeles sectional contests March 20, Regional contests April 12, and State Farmer luncheon April 26.

The Southwestern region currently has \$1217.50 in the treasury and has stayed within our budget.

NORTH COAST REGION

On October 12, 13 the North Coast region held their chapter officer conference at Ukiah High School. The conference was inspired by Southern Region National Vice President Nanci Mason. The conference went very well. We were informed that Mr. Munter would be taking over Ms. Landeen's place as regional advisor until someone is hired to replace him.

On January 12 the North coast region executive committee met to plan the spring regional meeting and the Golden State Farmer ceremonies. The conference will be held on February 21-22, 1986.

CENTRAL REGION

The Central region Chapter Officer's Leadership Conference began and ended with a bang on October 5 and 6, 1985. There were 48 out of a possible 52 chapters represented at the conference, the largest conference that the Central Region has ever hosted. The feedback on the conference has been positive and the regional officers are proud of the impact the conference has had on the entire region.

Meeting several times as an officer team during National Convention, we shared a lot of new ideas that we had heard from other members in the organization. We recieved ideas for our Chapter Visits, and for the Spring Regional meeting. All of the officers returned from National Convention with enthusiastic outlooks towards the rest of the year.

On December 30, 1985 an Executive meeting was held with the regional officers and advisor Miss Jean Landeen. The regional officers decided to encourage the Statue of Liberty campaign to the chapter visits. We reviewed plans for the spring regional meeting to be held April 5, 1986 at Merced Junior College. Applications for Star regional advisor and Star regional reporter were reviewed and sent to the sections and the chapters. Each section will choose a Star sectional advisor and reporter and the sectional president will represent those individuals to the regional executive committee on March 8 whereupon a star regional advisor and star regional reporter will be chosen.

The Central region officer will be attending the California Young Farmers conference in Sacramento on February 8, 1986, and will be meeting with Miss Landeen to discuss a planning session for the upcoming spring regional meeting.

SOUTHERN REGION

The Southern region and its officer team has had a fairly active past few months. On October 19, the Southern California FFA Leadership conference was held at Cal Poly Pomona. Basically, it ran satisfactorily. Some portions, it has been decided, though well planned, were poorly executed. We would like to thank the entire state officer team and Mr. Munter for attending and assisting us.

All four sections of the Southern region have held their sectional leadership conferences. The regional officers had set as a goal to have all chapters apply for the Superior Chapter award through a workshop given at each conference. Unfortunately, the regional team was not invited to one conference and a scheduling problem in another did not allow all chapters to be represented in our workshop.

Currently, the officers are working on chapter visits. Each officer has made only about 2 visits each, due to a slow start.

Upcoming Events in the Southern region:

1. Various fielddays
2. Regional officer screening - February 8 at Fontana
3. National FFA Week - Hopefully many chapter visits

4. Regional speaking contests - March 17 at Hemet
5. State Farmer Banquet - April 5 at Holtville's Barbara Worth Country Club
6. Cal Poly Pomona Field Day/Spring regional meeting

SAN JOAQUIN REGION

After the conclusion of the past California State Executive meeting the San Joaquin region has been basically at rest. With the opening of the new year our calendar begins to fill up. On February 15th we will have our first planning date for our spring regional meeting. During this session we will also plan and discuss our regional activities pertaining to spring activities and the State Farmer Banquet. One of our goals as a region is to secure at least one officer at every sectional event. Another goal is to increase participation within the region by increasing judging skills and confidence.

SOUTH COAST REGION

On October 26 and 27, the South Coast region held its leadership conference at Gilroy High School in Gilroy. 143 officers attended along with 14 guests and numerous speakers. At this time we introduced our CIS (Chapter Information Service) program. This program assigns 5 chapters to each regional officer as a means of improving communication within the region. One of our chapters, the Camden chapter of San Jose, became inactive in October due to a shortage of members. The Camden members became a part of Cambell FFA District.

In November four of our regional officers attended the National FFA Convention. We all enjoyed it because of the motivation, and experiences we had there.

Our December 4 and 5 Vo-Ag workshops were cancelled due to disagreements with the CATA concerning the dates and relevancy of the program. On December 8 the regional officer team met to plan our ski trip.

January was a resting time for our team as we had no regional meetings. To date 20 of our 34 chapters have had chapter visits from regional officers. Alison Weckler, Mark Klever and I have been helping members fill out State Farmer applications for the past few weeks.

In February we will hold our regional officer screening. Our ski trip is scheduled for February 7,8, and 9, immediately after the screening on the 6th.

SUPERIOR REGION

The Superior region held their fieldday on October 26, 1985 sponsored by CSU Chico. Approximately 500 members attended. The officers also attended various fielddays held at local JC's during the months of October and November. National FFA Convention six of our regional officers attended including other participants from chapters.

The Northern leadership conference was held November 22-23 at Lassen Community College in Susanville. There were 223 members in attendance from the Alturas and Red Bluff Sections. This conference went very well considering the circumstances. Our officer team learned and grew tremendously.

On December 6-7 the Southern leadership conference was hosted by the Yuba College in Marysville. About 205 members attended representing the Butte-Colusa and Marysville sections. This conference went better than the Northern conference due to experiece. We improved greatly.

Our regional Christmas party and Goodwill tour was held on Thursday December 19th. We had dinner, carolled, exchanged gifts, watched a movie. This helped to promote the team, friendships and fun. On Friday, December 20th the officers went on a Goodwill tour to award placques to sponsors through the year.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Andrea Swartz reported to the committee that since the last meeting she was working for a National office and being a dedicatied college student. She is really looking forward to the State leadership conference.

NEW SEED MAGAZINE REPORT:

Darrin Silveria reported all articles were submitted except for the North Coast regional article. The magazine should be completely printed by Tuesday, January 21. More chapter chatter articles and interesting pictures will be included in this issue. Darrin passed out letters to all regional presidents which all regional reporters recieved for their next article deadline.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL ITEMS:

Serena Benadum passed out the constitutions and the copies of proposed items.

Article III, Section C (Alumni Membership):

Kathleen Binns moved to accept the wording of Article III, Section C which deletes "Following the termination of active membership status, a former member becomes leigible for acitive alumni membership." and adding "Memership shall be open to former

active FFA members, present and former vocational agricultural educators, parents of FFA members, and other interested in supporting the FFA.

Steve Simmons seconded the motion.

Rob French moved to ammend the motion by adding on the end "No active member shall be restricted from being an alumni". This ammendment failed as-a-result of lacking a second.

Darrin Silveria moved to ammend the motion by adding "All members retaining active FFA membership shall be restricted from obtaining alumni membership.

Nicco Wells seconded the ammendment.

Kathleen moved to withdrawl her motion. No opposition, and the motion was withdrawn. This article can be updated with the National FFA Constitution, which provides no use for a motion or vote.

Article IV, Section A (Degrees of Active Membership):

Nicholas Wells moved to ammend Articl IV, Section A, by striking "standards for" and inserting the words "minium qualifications" (this was directed towards the wording on the proposed item changes page).

Mike Gomes seconded the motion.

The motion to accept the wording for Article IV, Section A passed 14-0.

Nicholas Wells moved that the State Executive Committee recommend a YES vote to Article IV, Section A.

Kathleen Binns seconded the motion.

The motion to accept a recommendation for Article IV, Section A passed 13-0.

Article VIII, Section G (Official FFA Uniform):

Serena Benadum moved that the official FFA dress for boys shall be the official FFA jacket, zipped to the top, worn with a white, collared, dress shirt, an official FFA necktie, black slacks, black socks, and black dress shoes. The official FFA dress for girls shall be the official FFA jacket, zipped to the top, worn with a white, collared, dress blouse, an official FFA scarf, a black skirt or slacks, and black dress shoes.

Carri Estes seconded the motion.

Darrin Silveria moved to ammend the motion by adding "flesh colored nylons with no design or pattern" between scarf, and a black.

Paul Pavletich seconded the ammendment.

Robert French moved to ammend the ammendment by striking the words "flesh-colored".

Jenny Mitdgaard seconded the ammendment.

Serena Benadum moved previous question on all pending matters.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

Previous question failed 9-5, debate was reopended.

Darrin Silveria moved to postpone this matter until tomorrow's session.

Robert French seconded the postponement.

The motion to postpone Article VIII, Section 6 passed 12-1.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES:

Article III, Section D (Nominating Committee):

Steve Simmons moved to accept the wording of Article III, Section D, which adds on the end "The nominating committee may nominate no more than two candidates for each office."

Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.

The motion to accept the wording of Article III, Section D, passed 13-0.

Kathleen Binns moved the State Executive Committee recommend a YES vote on Article III, Section D.

Mike Gomes seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Article IV, Section A (State Convention Delegates):

Robert French moved each chapter in good standings is guaranteed at least two voting delegates to represent their chapter at the annual state leadership conference. A chapter with a starting base membership of thirty members is entitled to an additional delegate. Thereafter, each increment of sixty members above the starting base membership entitles the chapter to an additional delegate. In no case will any chapter ever be entitled to more than six voting delegates. All figures pursuant to this article shall be calculated based on the chapter's official membership figure as of February 1 of that year.

Steve Simmons seconded the motion.

Nicholas Wells moved to amend the motion by striking "thirty" and inserting "sixty".

Sean Berson seconded the amendment.

Steve Simmons moved previous question on all pending matters.

Sean Berson seconded the motion.

Steve Simmons moved previous question on all pending matters.

Paul Pavletich seconded the motion to closed debate on all matters.

The motion passed 12-1.

The amendment passed 7-6.

The motion as amended passed 13-0.

Andrea Swartz moved that the California State Executive Committee recommend a YES vote on Article IV, Section A.

Steve Simmons seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Article III, Section A (State Executive Committee):

Jenny Mitdgaard moved to accept Article III, Section A, there shall be an executive committee consisting of the six current elected state officers, the immediate past elected state president, and the regional Future Farmers of America presidents.

The State FFA Advisor and Assistant State FFA Advisor shall serve as ex-officio members of the executive committee. Whenever a regional president is unable to attend a state executive committee meeting, the region may be represented by a member of its current regional officer team, appointed by their president. The executive committee is authorized to act in the name of the California Association, Future Farmers of America between annual conferences, subject only to such regulations and by-laws as may be adopted by the California Association, Future Farmers of America.

Micco Wells seconded the motion.

Robert French moved to amend the motion by adding "with vote" after the word committee.

Paul Pavletich seconded the amendment.

Carri Estes moved previous question on all pending matters.

Kathleen Binns seconded the motion.

Previous question on all pending matters passed 13-0.

The amendment passed 9-6.

The main motion as amended passed 10-1.

Kathleen Binns moved that the California State Executive Committee recommend a NO vote to Article III, Section A.

Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.

The motion to recommend passed 7-6 with no abstentions.

Nicco Wells moved that the FFA Assistant State Advisor be given the editorial right to make the needed changes in the Bylaws and constitution if the motion passed.

Kathleen Binns seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Article IV, (Add a Section B, as follows and renumber existing Sections B and C to C and D respectively.):

Andrea Swartz moved to accept Article IV, Section B as follows: To remain in good standing a chapter must be represented by at least one voting delegate at the annual state leadership conference. Any chapter which is not so represented shall have its charter suspended by the State FFA Executive Committee at its next regular meeting.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

Steve Simmons moved previous question.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion to close debate.

The motion passed 13-0.

The main motion passed 13-0.

Robert French moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a YES vote on Article IV, Section B.

Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Article II, Section A (Candidates for State Office):

Kathleen Binns moved to accept Article II, Section A that "Unless said candidate voiced specifically to the nominating committee during the nominating process that he/she would not accept said office" on the end of the second paragraph.

Jenny Mitdgaard seconded the motion.
The main motion passed 11-1.
Andrea Swartz moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a NO vote to Article II, Section A.
Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.
The motion passed 11-1.

Article II, Section B (State Treasurer's duties):

Kathleen Binns moved to accept Article II, Section B that the words "with the assistance of the State FFA Executive Committee" be inserted between Treasurer and shall.

Sean Berson seconded the motion.

The motion passed 11-0.

Robert French moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a NO vote to Article II, Section B.

Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.

The motion passed 11-0.

Article II, Section D, part 2b (State Vice President's Duties):

Andrea Swartz moved to strike out Article II, Section D, part 2b under State Vice President's duties.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Serena Benadum moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a YES vote.

Darrin Silveria seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Article II, Section D, part 4b (State Treasurer's Duties):

Andrea Swartz moved to strike out part 4b of Article II, Section D, under State Treasurer's duties.

Darrin Silveria seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Darrin Silveria moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a YES vote to Article II, Section D, part 4b.

Mike Gomes seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Serena Benadum moved the State Advisor is directed to make any necessary changes in the constitution and Bylaws to bring it in line with the National FFA Constitution as well as to typographical errors, grymatrical errors, and obvious omissions.

Kathleen Binns seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

Kathleen Binns moved that the State FFA Executive Committee recommend a YES vote.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

The motion passed 13-0.

MEETING RECESS:

The meeting was recessed at 4:40 pm until 6:45 am on Tuesday, January 21, 1986.

MORNING ACTIVITIES:

The Executive Committee met with State Master of California Grange Dave Austin for breakfast and a tour of the State Grange building headquarters.

Mr. Warren Reed addressed the Executive Committee with the current issues i.e. replacements for regional supervisors.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL ITEMS:

Article VIII, Section G (Official FFA Dress):

Darrin Silveria moved that the official FFA dress for boys shall be the official FFA jacket, zipped to the top, worn with a white, collared, dress shirt, an official FFA necktie, black slacks, black socks, and black dress shoes. The official dress for girls shall be the official FFA jacket, zipped to the top,

Article VIII, Section G (Official Dress) continued:
worn with a white, collared, dress blouse, an official FFA scarf,
girls nylons which have no decorative design or pattern and which
are of a color which closely resembles the color which the
individual's flesh, a black skirt or slacks, and black dress
shoes.

Paul Favletich seconded the motion.

Darrin Silveria modified his motion to simply say after
scarf, "appropriate women's hose, neutral in color without design
or pattern,".

Darrin Silveria moved the previous question.

Mike Gomes seconded the previous question.

The motion passed 13-0.

The main motion passed 13-0.

Nicholas Wells moved that the State FFA Executive Committee
recommend a YES vote for Article VIII, Section G.

Mike Gomes seconded the motion.

The motion to recommend passed 11-0.

CHAPTER OFFICER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES REPORT:

Paul Favletich handed out a list of the regional conferences
held throughout the state. The group brainstormed for ideas to
improve the conferences.

SAN JOAQUIN REGION:

Too early of a date in the school year, and they wanted a
state officer critique. Two chapters skits were two, too many,
one would have been adequate.

CENTRAL REGION:

Liked two chapter programs, patriotism programs were liked
a lot, held a critique and it was a good idea.

NORTH COAST REGION:

Problems with chapter officer participation, needed more
motivational type programs.

SOUTH COAST REGION:

Chapter programs needed more guidance in that area, the
patriotic programs were great.

SUPERIOR REGION:

Somehow chapters should be monitored and helped with
programs. Regional officers needed a critique directly after
first conference. Needed to check facilities beforehand.

SOUTHERN CAL:

Need to split regions and work state officers into major
portion of conference, more sessions with whole audience, lacked
preparation.

STATE FARMER DEGREE'S REPORT:

Paul Pavletich discussed the requirements and the system of grading applications. The quota for this year will be about 870. Steve, Darrin, and Paul will goto the Central Region State Farmer degree ceremonies on April 5. Serena, Carri, and Robert will goto the Southern region State Farmer degree ceremonies on the same date.

STATE PROGRAM OF WORK:

Serena Benadum passed out the proposed Program of Work changes and the state's Program of Work. The following changes were made to items I3, I3a, I3, I3b, I3d by striking "and" and insert "or" and on I3 insert "February 28" and strike "January 31".

Serena Benadum moved to recommend the Program of Work changes to the Program of Work committee at the State conference. Nicholas Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed 12-0.

NATIONAL FFA WEEK PLANS:

Darrin Silveria discussed the 11 chapter visits planned during National FFA Week. The state officers will also meet with the Governor of California to make a proclamation of National FFA Week. Some chapters have donated \$400.00 towards the Statue of Liberty restoration project.

STATE FARM BUREAU MEETING REPORT:

Steven Davis reported that he and Carri Estes attended the State Farm Bureau meeting held December 1-4 in San Diego.

SPRING REGIONAL MEETING REPORTS:

SOUTHERN REGION

The spring meeting of the Southern region FFA will be held on April 12, 1986 in conjunction with the Cal Poly field day. Business to be transacted at this date is as follows: presentation of awards for regional speaking contests, Star Advisor, Star Reporter, Star State Farmer, regional parli-pro, election of 1986-87 officers; and a few constitutional changes.

Some time will be set aside for discussion of State Convention. Some of this time will be spent on explanation of constitutional changes. If a state officer can be present for these explanations, it would be helpful.

SAN JOAQUIN REGION

The San Joaquin spring regional meeting will take place on February 22, 1986. An extensive nominating program has been lined up and it should prove effective. At this time the regional contests will take place and awards and winners shall be selected.

NORTH COAST REGION

On January 12, the North Coast regional officer team met to plan their spring regional conference and the Golden State Farmer degree ceremonies.

The conference will be held on February 21 and 22 at the Santa Rosa Junior college. The officer screening, parliamentary procedure and public speaking contests will be held on Friday, February 21. The general business meeting and the officer elections will be held in the morning on February 22. The State Farmer degree ceremonies will take place on the afternoon on February 22. We are looking forward to the Star Advisor election and the Honorary regional farmer ceremonies.

CENTRAL REGION

The date for the Central region spring meeting and State Farmer ceremony has been set for April 5, 1986 at Merced Jr. college. We will be hosting the regional extemporaneous, creed, and prepared public speaking contests during the first half of the meeting and following up with the election of regional officers for 1986-87. We will announce the Star Regional Advisor, Star Regional Reporter and the chapter scrapbook that will be representing the Central region at the State Conference.

Realizing that our State Farmer ceremony is on the same day as another region, we understand that we will only be able to have three of the six state officers for our degree ceremonies. We are requesting Steven Davis, president; Carri Estes, secretary; Darrin Silveria, reporter because of the eligibility of the Central region officers to fill the places of the missing state officers in the ceremony.

We are planning a slide show of the Star sectional farmers to be shown during the degree ceremony. The reception following the degree ceremony is being sponsored by the Farm Bureau.

SOUTHWESTERN REGION

The meeting will be held on April 12 and registration will begin at 12:00 am. The meeting will get underway at 1:00 pm with opening ceremonies. Introduction of guests will be made and immediately proceeding will be greetings from the state. The honorary regional farmer presentation will follow. Next, the first set of nominating speeches, consisting of reporter, treasurer, and vice president. Star Advisor nominations and election will be held. Campaign speeches for sentinel, secretary, and president will be given. Then we will review the

proposed State constitution and Bylaw changes and State Conference. Regional awards will be given. Election results will be revealed and then closing ceremonies.

SUPERIOR REGION

This year the Superior region is trying a new two-day format for our spring meeting in response from last year's spring meeting. On Friday, March 7, 1986 at Butte College, from 2:00-4:00 pm the extemporaneous and prepared public speaking contests will be held. From 4:00-5:00 the parliamentary procedure preliminaries will take place. Then from 5:00-6:00 pm a BBQ hosted by Butte College. That night members will go roller skating or go to Chico Fun World. The officer will finalize plans for meeting tomorrow.

On Saturday, March 8, 1986 at Chico State College from 7:30 -8:00 am registration. At 8:00 am a formal opening of the meeting, welcomes, and opening addresses will take place. At 9:00 am the members will meet with the candidates. Following the candidate's meeting the business meeting will occur. At noon a BBQ will be hosted by Chico College. That afternoon the State Farmer ceremony and proficiency awards will be given out. Then last but not least, the election of new officers. Go home.

STATE FFA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:

THEME

Serena Benadum told the regional presidents that we have a theme. But no specifics were made, the six words will be used for the six different sessions.

AGENDA

Carri Estes told the committee that the state conference agenda is basically the same format as last year's agenda. The conference will begin on Sunday morning, May 4 and continue through until Tuesday, May 6. There will be a special program on Saturday night, May 3. There will be time set aside for regional meetings on Saturday night and Monday morning.

REGISTRATION

Carri Estes also talked about the state conference registration. The regional supervisors from each region will find out in advance who will be attending the conference from each chapter. They then send that information to the state office. The state office in return the materials to the regional supervisors.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Steven Davis told the committee that the next executive meeting will begin at 10:00 am on May 2, 1986 in room 241 in the Agricultural building at Cal Poly SLO. The newly elected regional presidents are invited to attend.

HONORARY STATE FARMERS

Andrea Swartz moved to nominate Cal Adams, Mac McCelland, Tracy Shortman, Ellen Calcagno, and the Star State Advisor.

Robert French seconded the motion.

Darrin Silveria moved the previous question.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

Previous question passed 9-3.

The main motion passed 13-0.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Darrin Silveria moved to nominate the following people be awarded the distinguished service award, Corny Gallagher, Families of the State Officers, Richard Hackett.

Kelli Faulkner seconded the motion.

The main motion passed 13-0.

STAR REPORTER AND STAR ADVISOR

Darrin Silveria told the regional presidents to be prepared to give a 3-5 minute presentation for both nominees, also they need copies of both applications. The scrapbooks must be included with the Star Reporter's application.

COURTESY CORPS

Robert French told the committee that there will be a total of 28 courtesy corps members - which includes 4 from each region. They will have to pay their own way and Robert must have the names by March 15, 1986.

COMMITTEES

Steven Davis appointed Kevin Gomes for the Fairs and Shows committee. He also will take suggestions for a chairman to head the Conference Review committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO CATA:

The following are recommendations to be brought up at the state leadership conference:

The California Association FFA recommend that the novice parli-pro contest consist of a minimum of at least three first year freshmen VO-AG students and that this recommendation exclude VO-AG programs without 9th grade students. The girls exchange

living quarters with the boys on a yearly rotation.

GREAT WESTERN LIVESTOCK SHOW:

Kathleen Binns moved that Carri Estes compose a letter on behalf of the State FFA Executive Committee c/o Mrs. Armstrong of the fairs and expositions committee, recommending the continuation of the Great Western.

Nicholas Wells seconded the motion.

The motion passed 8-3.

THANK YOU LETTER:

Letter of appreciation to master of California State Grange
c/o Dave Austin 2101 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95817.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm, on Tuesday, January 21, 1986 by Steven Davis.

Respectively submitted,



Carri J. Estes, Secretary
California Association FFA