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# CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA MID-WINTER STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 19-20, 1992

CALIFORNIA STATE FARM BUREAU HEADQUARTERS  
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## Call to order

The Mid-Winter meeting of the California Association State Executive Committee was called to order by President Robin Perez on February 19, 1992 at 10:20 a.m. at the California State Farm Bureau Headquarters, 1601 Exposition Boulevard, Sacramento.

Executive Committee members present were Robin Perez, State President; Jason Stricker, State Vice-President; Amber Washington, State Secretary; Arthur Mejia, State Treasurer; Melissa Claverie, State Reporter; David Bright, State Sentinel; Nicole Andrus, Past State Officer; Tom Munter, Assistant State FFA Advisor; Brian Fry, Central Region President; Mike Bennett, North Coast Region President; Jed Murray, San Joaquin Region President; Kevin Potter, South Coast Region President; Courtney Hunt, Southern Region President; and Travis Hagen, Superior Region President.

## Review of Minutes

The minutes of the Fall Meeting of the State Executive Committee were reviewed. *Washington/Bright* moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Fall Executive Meeting as read. Motion **PASSED** by voice vote.

## State Officer Reports

The State Officers gave reports on the following items:  
National Convention Overview--Melissa Claverie  
Results of National Business--Jason Stricker  
Superior Region Conferences--Arthur Mejia  
Chapter Visits--David Bright  
FFA Foundation--Robin Perez  
Nat'l Officer Experience Tour--Jason Stricker  
Made for Excellence--Amber Washington  
State Judging Contests--David Bright  
Membership--Mr. Munter  
Golden Harvest--Melissa Claverie

## Election of State FFA Degrees

Arthur Mejia reported that there were 602 qualified applicants for the State FFA Degree. *Mejia/Bennett* moved and seconded to elect the qualified applicants to the State FFA Degree. Motion **PASSED** by voice vote.

## Proposed Changes to Program of Work

Jason Stricker explained the changes to the State Program of Work. They are:

1. In the Table of Contents, section I: delete "Farming and".
2. Division I, Title: delete "FARMING AND "
3. Division I, Objective 1: change "April" to "May".
4. Division I, Objective 1f: change "a state award finalist" to "up to three state award finalists".
5. Division I, Objective 4d: delete.

6. **Division I, Objective 4e:** change "Score" to "Evaluate" and delete "recommended by a regional supervisor and".
7. **Division I, Objective 5d:** delete
8. **Division II, Objective 4a:** delete "2) California Young Farmers Education Association" and renumber succeeding examples accordingly".
9. **Division V, Objective 1:** change "Pay national dues for all dues-paid members to the national office" to "Pay for national FFA magazine subscriptions for all members."
10. **Division V, Objective 1a:** change "payment of dues by" to "affiliation of".
11. **Division V, Objective 1c:** change "dues" to "affiliation materials".
12. **Division V, Objective 1d:** change "dues money" to "affiliation materials".
13. **Division V, Objective 1e:** change "non-dues paid" to "non-affiliated".
14. **Division V, Objective 1f:** change "dues" to "magazine subscriptions".
15. **Division V, Objective 2:** change "state dues money" to "the state treasury".

*Stricker/Fry* moved and seconded to refer these changes to the Program of Work Committee. The motion **PASSED**, by voice vote.

*Andrus/Potter* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass to the Program of Work Committee on all the changes as submitted. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments (See attachment for text of proposals)

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article II, Section E**. This amendment would delete the references to regions and sections collecting dues. *Stricker/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article III, section B, Paragraph 2**. This amendment would change all references to "the payment of dues" to "meeting standard affiliation requirements." *Andrus/Hunt* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this item. The motion **PASSED**, by voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution Article IV, Section B Sub-Section (1)**. This amendment would delete the word "farming" and replace it with "agricultural practice." *Andrus/Murray* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, by voice vote. *Stricker/Hagen* moved and seconded to reconsider the vote on Article IV, Section B Sub-Section (1). The motion to reconsider **PASSED** 12 to 0. *Stricker/Bright* moved and seconded to amend the proposal by striking out "farming, and/or other, and agricultural practice." The amendment **PASSED**, voice vote. The motion to recommend a do pass vote **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article IV, Section D, Sub-section (14)**. This amendment would change "Future Farmer program" to "FFA organization." *Hunt/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article IV, Section H**. This amendment would change "Associate" to "Alumni." *Andrus/Fry* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article VI, Section A**. This amendment would strike out "during the month of May." *Mejial/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

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Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article VII, Section D**. This would change "dues of" to "Affiliation procedures and requirements," and "fixed" to "determined." *Bright/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article II, Section A, Sub-sections (3) and (4)**. This amendment would prevent candidates for state office from running off the floor. *Hagen/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article II, Section B, Sub-Section (2)**. This amendment would delete "Future Farmer" and put in "FFA." *Hagen/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. Motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article III, Section D, Paragraph 2**. This amendment would require nominating committee members to hold the State FFA Degree instead of the Chapter FFA Degree. *Hagen/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **FAILED**, voice vote. *Andrus/Fry* moved and seconded to recommend a do not pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article V**. This amendment changes the process for choosing California's candidate for national office and makes it clear that anyone that meets the minimum eligibility requirements is able to do so and only needs to make their desires known to the Assistant State Advisor not later than May 25 of the current year. *Andrus/Mejia* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article VI, Section D**. This amendment would add "of America" to the end of "Future Farmers." *Bennett/Fry* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Jason Stricker presented a proposed amendment to **Bylaws, Article VII, Section D**. This amendment would declare collegiate chapters exempt from affiliation as prescribed in Article VII of the Constitution of this Association. The members would not have automatic entitlement to the Leadership packet materials, the state newsletter or the national magazine. *Potter/Murray* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Travis Hagen submitted a proposed amendment to **Constitution, Article VIII, Section F**. This amendment would change "white trousers" to "new or non-faded black jeans or pants." *Andrus/Bennett* moved and seconded to recommend a do not pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Mr. Mark Anglin submitted a recommendation to amend the **Constitution, Article IV, Section D, regarding the State FFA Degree**, on behalf of the State FFA Degree Process Advisory Committee. Other proposals and input from local chapters were also considered by the Committee. After reviewing all of this material a proposal was put together by the State Executive Committee. (See proposal in attachment.) *Mejia/Claverie* moved and seconded to recommend a do pass on this amendment. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*THE MEETING RECESSED AT 4:40 p.m.*

The meeting was called back to order by President Robin Perez at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 20, 1992.

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Region Reports

Each of the Regional Presidents delivered reports on the happenings within their regions.

Chapter Status

Mr. Munter reported that there were two new chapters. The two chapters were Bakersfield-Stockdale and Carpinteria. *Stricker/Murray* moved and seconded to approve the charter for Bakersfield-Stockdale and the reinstatement of Carpinteria. The motion **PASSED** voice vote.

State Leadership Conference

Melissa Claverie reported that the State Leadership Conference is to be held at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, May 2 through May 5, 1992. She also reported on the State Officers' goal of having over 3,000 members attend the conference. The conference is going to be held in the gym this year so there will be room for everyone. Melissa also reported that this years theme is "AN AMERICAN TRIBUTE !"

Election of Honorary State FFA Degrees:

The State Officers nominated Mr. Hank Wallace, and Mr. Jay Hartz.  
Mike Bennett nominated Mr. Bob Demple.  
Jed Murray nominated Mr. Ed Murray.

Discussion of the candidates and their qualifications followed.

*Andrus/Claverie* moved and seconded to elect Jay Hartz to the Honorary State FFA Degree. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Mejia/Potter* moved and seconded to elect Hank Wallace to the Honorary State FFA Degree. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Andrus/Stricker* moved and seconded to reconsider the vote on Hank Wallace. The motion to reconsider **PASSED**, voice vote. Following discussion the vote was taken over and the nomination **FAILED**, voice vote.

*Bennett/Claverie* moved and seconded to elect Bob Demple to the Honorary State FFA Degree. The motion **FAILED**, voice vote.

*Murray/Fry* moved and seconded to elect Ed Murraray to the Honorary degree. The motion **FAILED**, voice vote.

Selection of Distinguished Service Citations

The State Officers nominated the State FFA Degree Process Advisory Committee, Charles Parker, Pat Avila, and Dr. Matt Baker.  
Mike Bennett nominated Bob Demple.  
Jed Murray nominated Ed Murray.  
Courtney Hunt nominated Dr. Allen Christensen.

Discussion of the nominees and their qualifications followed.

*Hagen/Bennett* moved and seconded to bestow the Distinguished Service Citation to all of the people nominated.

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*Washington/Andrus* moved and seconded to amend the motion by striking out Bob Demple, Ed Murray, Dr. Allen Christensen. The amendment **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Andrus/Murray* moved and seconded to amend the amended motion by striking out Janet Johnson. The amendment to the motion **PASSED**, voice vote. The motion as amended **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Hagen/Bright* moved and seconded to elect Janet Johnson to the Honorary State Degree.

*Andrus/Bennett* moved and seconded to postpone voting until after consideration of Distinguished Service Citations. The motion **FAILED**: 7 to 6. The motion to elect Janet Johnson to the Honorary State Degree **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Murray/Fry* moved and seconded to give the Distinguished Service Citation to Ed Murray. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Hunt/Murray* moved and seconded to elect Dr. Allen Christensen to the Distinguished Service Citation. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Mejia/Murray* moved and seconded to confer the Distinguished Service Citation upon retiring members of the State FFA Advisory Committee. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Drug Awareness Proposal

Amber Washington reported on the Drug Awareness Proposal. Discussion followed.

*Bennett/Claverie* moved and seconded to implement the Drug Awareness Program.

*Murray/Fry* moved and seconded to amend the proposal by changing the funding formula to 20% upon award of grant and 30% at the project mid-point. Amendment **PASSED**, voice vote. Main motion as amended **PASSED**, voice vote.

National Equity Proposal

Jason Stricker reported on the National Equity Proposal which was established at the National Convention. Discussion Followed.

*Andrus/Murray* moved and seconded to refer this matter to the Awards Committee. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

*Hunt/Andrus* moved and seconded that Regional Presidents obtain information from their regions and send it directly to the Awards Committee by their regional representatives. The motion **PASSED**, voice vote.

Long Distance Phone Service Proposal

Mr. Munter reported on the long distance phone service proposal being studied currently. Discussion followed on the merits and complications on such a program. No action was taken.

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Next Meeting

Robin Perez gave information on the next State Executive Committee Meeting.

--Friday, May 1st at 8:00 a.m. in room 241 of the Agriculture Building at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

--The state will pay for Thursday night's lodging only.

--Newly elected Regional Presidents may attend the meeting at their own expense.

--Please bring regional winning scrapbook and information on star regional reporters.

Closing Ceremonies were conducted. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Amber Washington

State Secretary