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The Fall Executive Committee Meeting and Delegate Orientation

The Fall Executive Committee meeting and delegate orientation was called to order on Tuesday, October 29, 1996 at 1:02 p.m. by our State President, James Garner, at the California Farm Bureau building. Roll was taken finding all officers in their stations, in attendance were thirty-six members and two guests.

The meeting begin with a short presentation by John Moffatt, California's 1996 national officer candidate. He spoke about his hopes for becoming a national officer and wished the delegation good luck with their upcoming responsibilities.

Nick Garcia the California State Treasurer instructed members on the mixer activity and the activity followed.

We then began delegate operations which was started by Ryan Grenier, the California State Sentinel, who acquainted the delegates with the position and responsibilities involved with being a delegate from the California Association.

Lindsay Wilmeth the California State Vice President then gave instructions for the delegates to break up into their respective committee assignments and begin to become familiar with the topics involved in that area.

The delegates once again came back together as a whole and presentations were given from each of the committees. Chad Murdoch and Bryan Tassej presented for ag education. Ryan Bertaoe presented for Career Success Activities. Jim Alves presented for Chapter Activities. Communications and Public Relations was presented by Dominic Diaz Charla Welch presented for Leadership and Personal Growth. Marketing and Merchandising was presented by Nate Green. Membership recruitment and involvement was presented by Travis Lee. Jake Parnell, Kelly Van Foken, Will Bunt, and Mellissa Gomes presented for the National FFA Convention review committee. John Paasch presented for the Partner Development committee.

With all committees having reported, James Garner the California State President began to give the expectations of the delegates once they got to the National FFA Convention.

The meeting was recessed by James Garner, State President at 6:30 p.m..

The meeting was again called to order at 8:58 a.m. of Wednesday, October 30, 1996, by James Garner, California State FFA President.

Traci Soares, California State FFA Secretary moved to accept the minutes of the Spring Executive Committee meeting. Jake Parnell of the Superior region seconded. The motion was voted on by a voice vote and passed.

Brian Combes of the San Joaquin region moved to accept the State FFA Leadership conference minutes. Sharlene Swaim of the Souther region seconded. Motion was passed by a voice vote.

Lindsay Wilmeth, State FFA Vice President moved to accept the National Constitution proposals and transfer them to Nationals. Marci Bugbee of the North Coast region seconded. Motion was voted on and passed, voice vote.

Emily Brinegar, State FFA Reporter gave the review of the 1996 State FFA Leadership Conference and asked for any additional concerns or comments that should be noted. John Paasch of the Bear River FFA chapter suggested the chapter advisors be mandatory chaperons at the convention. Bryan Tassej of the Central region requested

that parking passes be issued during State Conference. Ryan Bertaoe, past State FFA President brought up the possibility of having a food court at the conference. Kris Diaz, past State FFA Sentinel suggested the changes to be made to the meals available at the conference. Brian Combes of the San Joaquin region suggested the delegates to the conference pay a higher price for their registration.

Dr. Dodson, assistant state FFA advisor, updated the committee on the standings or certain chapters that are up for suspensions of reinstatements. Ryan Bertaoe, past State FFA President, moved that we clear those chapters that sent a letter of justification for first year offenders. Emily Brinegar, State FFA Reporter seconded the motion. Seeing as there was no debate a vote was taken and the motion passed by a voice vote.

Brian Combes of the San Joaquin Region moved that first year chapters that did not send a letter of justification be put on probation. Jake Parnell of the Superior Region seconded the motion. Brian Combes of the San Joaquin Region moved to amend the motion so if passed the motion would read, "chapters that did not send voting delegates to last year's State FFA Leadership Conference be put on probation with a possibility of suspension if they do not have two delegates at the next State Conference in accordance to the FFA By-laws." The amendment was voted on and passed voice vote. Debate on the main motion then followed. A voice vote was taken on the main motion and passed.

Jake Parnell of the Superior region moved that Foothill-Pleasanton be put on suspension. Sharlene Swaim of the Southern region seconded the motion. Debate followed. Brian Combes of the San Joaquin Region moved Previous Question. Marci Bugbee, of the North Coast region seconded the Previous Question. Previous Question passed with twelve in the affirmative and zero in opposition. The main motion was then voted on and passed by a voice vote.

Next on the agenda were the regional reports. Each regional president reported on their regional activities and upcoming events.

Nick Garcia, State FFA Treasurer, then reported on the 1996 Greenhand Conferences. Ryan Grenier, State FFA Sentinel, reported on the 1996 Chapter Officer Leadership Conferences. The 1996 chapter visits conducted by the State Officers was then reported on by Emily Brinegar, State FFA Reporter. James Garner, State FFA President, reported on the California Agriculture Teachers Association meeting. The 1996 State President's Conference was reported on by Lindsay Wilmeth, State FFA Vice President. The National Leadership Conference for State Officers was reported on by Ryan Grenier. The 1996 California State Fair was reported on by Nick Garcia.

Traci Soares, State FFA Secretary asked for suggestions from the delegation about the 1997 State FFA Leadership Conference. Two suggestions were given they read as follows: 1.) That the Ty England concert should definitely be sought after and will be accepted well by the members. 2.) That fireworks we used in the Gala opening session.

Emily Brinegar the State FFA Reporter than reported on the California FFA insert in the New Horizons magazine. James Garner updated the delegates on the movement of the National Center and the National FFA Convention. Traci Soares then reported on the National Republican Convention.

Mr. Parker, State FFA assistant advisor, reported on the expense claims used by State FFA officers. Ryan Grenier, State FFA Sentinel moved that the price paid per mile

of gas mileage be raised from twenty-two cents to twenty-four cents. Dominic Diaz of the South Coast region seconded. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Nick Garcia, State FFA Treasurer moved that the State Executive Committee approve travel expenses to be paid for by the FFA for Dr. Dodson and Mr. Parker to travel to the 69th National FFA Convention held in Kansas City, Missouri. Marci Bugbee of the North Coast Region seconded. The motion was voted on and passed by a voice vote.

James Garner, State FFA President, gave instructions for the next meeting of the State FFA Executive committee. The next meeting will be held on February 18-19th, 1997. The location was to be decided upon at a later time. Instructions were given to bring evaluations for chapter awards and regional reports.

The meeting of the State FFA Executive committee and Delegate orientation was adjourned at 11:37 by the California State FFA President, James Garner.