# California Association FFA STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# **Meeting Minutes**

A meeting of the State FFA Advisory Committee commenced at 1:30pm on Wednesday, June 25, 1997, in room 52-A12 on the California Polytechnic State University campus in San Luis Obispo. Present were Mark Anglin, Central Region Representative; Bob Heuvel, State FFA Advisor; Ron Furtado, North Coast Region Representative; Mike Rourke, Superior Region Representative; Brad Dodson, North Coast Region FFA Advisor; Gina Boster, Southern Region Representative; Bill King, North Coast Region Representative; Ralph Mendes, San Joaquin Region Representative; Karen Eidman, Superior Region Representative; Brian Appleby, South Coast Region Representative; Dave Caetano, San Joaquin Region Representative; Charles Parker, Assistant State FFA Advisor; and Ken Harris, San Joaquin Region FFA Advisor.

#### **Greenhand Conferences**

Staff presented the concept of conducting nineteen Greenhand Conferences in the Fall of the 1997-98 School Year. A contract has been granted to Chico State to operate the Greenhand Conferences. The goal of the program is to have one conference in each of the sections. The Committee asked for the State Staff to consider additional Greenhand Conferences for 97-98 if numbers warrant. This would allow for more sections to host conferences and thus involve additional students while reducing travel.

### Advanced Leadership Academies

Committee was informed that a contract has been approved for Cal Poly to conduct a minimum of four Advanced Leadership Academies during the 1997-98 year. Currently, conferences are scheduled for Chico, Redding, and Stockton. They are scheduled to be held in conjunction with the Made for Excellence Conferences during the month of January. Committee requested that an Academy be scheduled for Fresno.

#### **State Nominating Committee**

Caetano brought to the committee a recommendation from the CATA Secondary Committee regarding the State Nominating Committee process. After discussion, the Advisory Committee recommended to Bob Heuvel, State Advisor, that consideration be given to conducting the nominating process two weeks prior to the State Leadership Conference.

#### State Speaking/Parli Pro Finals

In reviewing the entire leadership program, and trying to alleviate pressure on our top students, the committee discussed alternatives to Friday through Tuesday program. One alternative was to move the nominating process. Another alternative suggested was to move the State Speaking and Parli Pro preliminaries to Thursday. Following the discussion, the committee asked that the State Staff consider the options to changing the pre-conference activities.

#### Ag Alerts

Committee asked that confirmation be obtained as to wether or not the California Farm Bureau can mail class sets of the Ag Alert to each of the agriculture programs in California. In addition, the committee asked that Louie Brown be invited to attend the next scheduled advisory meeting to discuss the Ag Alert issue as well as the Discussion Meet.

#### **State Conference Review**

Committee reviewed and made suggestions regarding the 1996 State FFA Leadership Conference. The following are the recommendations and or comments:

- Need to provide additional information for the Discussion Meet. For example, what is talking too much?
- Conference t-shirts should be given to all conference participants not just delegates.
- One Day program participants should be in the FFA Uniform or appropriate attire. White shirt and/or blouse would be the minimum acceptable.
- Provide security and/or an authoritative group to patrol the rear of the exhibit hall to minimize loud noises and continual movement in and out.
- Eliminate the distribution of flag sticks.
- Review the session contents in an effort to reduce the ever increasing length of the sessions.
- Decrease the time allotted for the Retiring Addresses.
- Look into using past state officers to read manuscripts/names during the award dinners to reduce pressure on current state officers.
- Evaluate what each delegate committee is assigned to determine if it is appropriate.
- Provide Conference Feedback reports to all delegate committee advisors and include in conference packets mailed to the local chapters.
- Stress that the all exhibitors at the Career Show provide information to the students on their particular career.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.

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Mark Anglin	Atwater FFA	Central Region	1997
Brian Appleby	San Jose-Pioneer FFA	South Coast Region	1998
Roy Beck	Altaville-Bret Harte FFA	Central Region	1998
Gina Boster	Norco FFA	Southern Region	1998
David Caetano	Tulare Union FFA	San Joaquin Region	1997
Karen Eidman	Grass Valley-Nevada Union FFA	Superior Region	1998
Ron Furtado	Livermore FFA	North Coast Region	1998
Bill King	Petaluma FFA	North Coast Region	1997
Ralph Mendes	Bakersfield-Foothill FFA	San Joaquin Region	1998
Steve Pietrolungo	Canoga Park FFA	South Coast Region	1997
Wayne Pitzler	Chino Hills-Ayala FFA	Southern Region	1997
Mike Rourke	Weaverville-Trinity FFA	Superior Region	1997
Bob Heuvel	State FFA Advisor		
Charles Parker	Assistant State FFA Advisor		
Brad Dodson	Assistant State FFA Advisor		
Jim Aschwanden	CATA Executive Director		

Each committee member's term concludes at the end of the CATA Summer Conference of the year listed.

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## AGENDA JUNE 25, 1997 SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA

- \* Review Minutes from February Meeting
- \* FFA/Agricultural Education Update
- \* State FFA Leadership Conference Review
- \* FFA Membership Update
- \* Integrated Leadership Development Program Update
- \* Other Items
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