

Minutes – State Staff Meeting June 5 – 8, 2000

Meeting was called to order at 10:08 am. Greg Beard was appointed acting Chair. In attendance was: Greg Beard, Chuck Parker, Jean Landeen, Glen Casey, Jim Aschwenden, Brad Dodson, Jack Havens, Ken Harris, Dennis Hampton, Art Parham, Richard Rogers, and Lloyd McCabe.

It was moved (McCabe), seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

I. Ag. Incentive Grant Checklist

It was moved (Rogers), seconded, and passed to add to Section 2, that two delegates attended the State FFA Conference.

It was moved (Dodson), seconded, and passed to include language that requires a single person department that is less than half time be required to attend four in-services. (Reference 4B)

It was moved (McCabe), seconded, and passed to add a new 9G, that FFA affiliation Rooster and Purchase Order be due to the State FFA Financial Office by Oct. 15.

II. Policy Manual

1. Discussion was held about page 10, item 11 – “line item match” and waivers.
Tabled till Bob Heuvel arrives.

On page 6, number 6, change date to Oct. 15 per previous motion.

MSP (Harris) to change number 5, page 6 by deleting "Self Review Document or Program Improvement Plan submitted to the Regional Supervisor " and change it to read " Agricultural Education Incentive Grant Checklist received by the Regional Office prior to December 15."

Agreed to put Policy manual on web site and funding letter will mention that it is on the web.

I. FFA Reports – Chuck Parker

1. Award applications –
 - a. Have Regions review applications now so proposed changes go out by Feb. 1
All proposed changes due by Feb. 1, 2001, so that we are able to have teachers approve changes at Summer Conference 2001.
Counselor award – Havens to develop possible counselor award.
2. State Degree Pin
 - a. Parker can get State Degree Pin at a cost of about \$1.00 per pin.
Sample pins passed around.
3. Project Comp. Pins
 - a. Could it be done cheaper with State bulk buying? Everyone to bring sample pins to September Staff meeting.
4. Parker to check on Greenhand and Chapter pins at a discount.

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Distributed list of awards and other information:

- a. Honorary State Degree
- State Star Advisors
- Honorary American Degrees
- National Chapter Award
- History Book 99-2000
- State Officer Visitation list
- Due Dates
- Regional Supervisor Due Dates (add all State Finals due dates)
- Extemporaneous. Speaking Topics - Section
- Extemporaneous. Speaking Topics – Region

b. Tech Prep – Don Borges

1. At Summer Conference:
 - a. CD-ROM will be distributed that includes curriculum binder, Community College info, and all the Tech Prep manuals.
 - b. Recruitment Video for Ag Teachers being developed.
 - c. Cross reference of Science Framework
2. Current Projects
 - a. Assessment Network, ACE scoring – developing list of Section Contacts.
 - b. Program Certification – can provide local assistance
 - c. Integration workshop to be held at Lake Tahoe.
 - d. Will provide funding for a program similar to ATAC.
 - e. Have done and will do Counselor Activities.
3. Next Year – less Tech Prep money for Ag. Consortitium.
4. ACE Test results not getting to the local teachers.

Recessed at 12 Noon for Lunch

Reconvened at 1:00 pm – Bob Heuvel took over chair.

IV. Revisited Policy manual – line item waiver.

If you have the money to match, you cannot ask for a waiver of an individual line item. Need to add to the manual “if match is available” (no general waiver asked for or granted)

Ask Jim Aschwanden to pursue Legislative analyst to change line item match of 5000 and 6000 categories.

V. CDE Report – Bob Heuvel

1. Jack Havens now in the Southern Region. Contract is going through the department. Process will probably be completed in 10-14 days. Bob reviewed the process.
- Brad Dodson will take the Chico State Ag. Educator position. Will start the

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process to fill Superior Region position after Havens hiring completed. Outstation office determined on an individual units and/or staff basis. Money for outstation offices is \$7,000/staff member/location. Except for clerical services up to \$10,000. Bottom line, \$15,000 total to use any way you choose.

1. Professional Development - \$325,000 will shrink to \$125,000 with current Department plan because of 15 industry sectors. CDE is funding all 15. We will be okay for this year because of the way Bob budgeted. State Voc Ed plan rejected by the Feds., mainly due to Tech Prep.

VI. CATA Executive Director Report – Jim Aschwanden

1. \$3.995 million in AIG funds
SB 1790 died in committee
AB 615 – Pilot program (2years), 75 school sites, take categorical funds and write plan to meet needs of all students that fit under categorical. Funding reviewed after first year.
AB 2474 – amended to \$20,000 for 6 advisory committees and \$300,000 for staffing.
2087 – Voc Ed bill 48 million for voc. ed equipment and 1.8 million for student leadership. ROP thinks it's their money.
UC Davis – Fall 2001- Tenured Position for Ag Education and full time lecturer. Will be in Division of Education.
NAAE National Conference will be in San Diego December 2 – 6. We will host State Social December 5.
NAAE Region I will be in Carmel April 25-28.
Summer Conference - Reviewed Staff assignments
FFA Center and FFA Board of Directors will be reported at conference
FFA Foundation – expressed concern with the new proficiencies and contests.

VII. Region Supervisors Reports

1. South Coast – Greg Beard – reviewed staff changes
San Joaquin – Ken Harris – may change Project Comp., reviewed staffing
North Coast – Brad Dodson – reviewed staff changes
Superior – Brad Dodson – most staff changes are only possibilities at this time, developing chapter officer handbook.
Southern – Lloyd McCabe – reviewed staff changes
Central – Jean Landeen – reviewed staff changes

VIII. University Reports

1. Fresno State – 14 available this year, 10 left
Chico State – 8 left
CPSLO – 10 – 11 still looking
Pomona – 1 intern, 1 clear, 1 wants to intern, 2 already have a job.

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Recessed at 5:33 pm

Reconvened at 9:22 am June 6, 2000

IX. Ag Literacy Report – Jean Landeen

1. RFP development in progress
“Ag. In the Classroom Conference” in Modesto
Discussion of funding sources

Breakout into State Staff and Ag Educators

X. State Staff

1. State FFA Leadership Conference – Chuck Parker
 - a. Thursday Leadership Contests – need better room preparation for Public Speaking. Need to keep contests as close to each other as possible. Awards ceremony to start at 8:00 pm
Friday – Parli Pro - suggest one round with 3 sets of 8 teams.
 - a. State Proficiency/Scholarship Awards – Summary passed out
 - Judges – Chuck Parker to compile list of Judges and phone numbers and give it to Ken Harris. All attendees to supply list of possible invitees as proficiency judges. Chuck also to contact CC Division to speak at Summer Conference about importance of proficiency judging and providing assistance with American Degree applications.
 - a. Tours – summary passed out. Cost of busses a concern, no shows a problem. Suggestions – Pre register tours, Question – what is dress code for tours. Casual for all tours.
Workshops at FSU – Many problems – lunch, late busses, handing out tickets for t-shirts not recommended. Larger maps for students.
Hotels – Re-assignment and addition of hotels distributed.

Recessed at 12:40, reconvened

2. Sacramento Leadership Experience – Overall evaluation excellent, no changes planned
3. Greenhand Conferences – Two thirds of locations booked.
4. State FFA Degree Ceremony – Dates reviewed, see master calendar
5. ROLC – program handed out, note dress for each day. Breakfast by each Region team with \$100 provided by State. Chalets equipped with kitchen, 2 queen beds and 1 sleeper couch.
6. COLC – same money available.
7. National convention – State Staff rotation passed out, Honorary American Degree nominees distributed. Non-teacher American Degree nominees must have been State Degree honorary member.
8. National Proficiency and Room monitors – get names to Chuck.
9. State FFA Financial Report – Angie Miles, Reviewed Probation Chapters and

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financial reports. SLE meal expenses will be looked at.

10. State Finals- Fresno State, discussed State Staff meeting Field Day staff Friday night rather than early Saturday morning. Small Engines contest maybe on one day next year.
11. State Finals – Cal Poly, Dairy products had top three coaches sample products to set key. Several contests had misidentified identification samples. Specialty Animal had problem with ID and a coach. Jean to address problem coach. Horse contest should be careful in selection of reason takers, i.e. no Arroyo Grande grads. In Horses, Curricular code needs to be changed to tie broken by reasons, not by three reasons classes. Computer scoring program needs to be updated.

XI. Teacher Educator's Report

1. New Professional's Institute – Last Years attendees did not like the facilities, not professional, especially sleeping arrangements. Make it clear this year that Thursday night is expected attendance for “informal networking” Student Teaching/Cooperating Teacher Conference in Modesto this year. Coincides with State Staff. Identification of Cooperating Teacher Conference participants was discussed. Regional Supervisors to make the determination. If not invited, they must get approval from their Regional Supervisor. Priorities – If funding is reduced, what is our priorities. Vote Taken - #1 Student Teacher, # 2 New Teachers (by 6-5 vote), #3 Cooperating Teachers.

Recessed at 4:58 pm

Reconvened at 9:11 am June 7

XII. Available Teachers

Reviewed available teachers and discussed DS credential

XIII. Teachers Educators Update

- a. Chico – Brad Dodson – Brad starts officially August 1. New Dean is Charlie Crabb.
- b. Cal Poly Pomona – Flint Freeman – Enrollment is up – 43 applicants (usual is 25), of possible seven student teachers, five went out on emergency credential.
- c. Fresno State – Art Parham – FSU opened a Viticulture/Enology Dept. Reviewed new hires at FSU, Richard Rogers position is open. Alumni house being built. Ag Ed. Numbers rising, 90 in program should reach 100, will have 14-15 student teachers.
- d. Cal Poly, SLO – Master plan in final stages, Cal Poly to grow by 3,000, all must be housed on campus. Buildings will basically have to go up. 99 students accommodated, usually 45-50. 17-18 student teachers in 99-00, 25 plus in 2000-01.

Subcommittee was formed to determine how to collect data on success rate of Ag. Program completers in college versus the general population. Committee members: Lloyd McCabe (chair) Art Parham, Brad Dodson, and Glen Casey.

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XIIV. Road Show 2000

Three statewide topics plus one regionalized topic

Possible topics brainstormed: Computer workshop (Power point, CD Rom curriculum), National application revisions, Turf Mgt., Science Stds., Livestock Project Supervision at the Fair, Project plans for the Intro Ag Mech., Building a Program Plan, Ag Business (Al DeRose, Trena Kimler, Christine Dickson)

Top three selected – National Application Revisions	1 hour
Biotechnology	2 hours
Building a Program Plan	1 hour

XV. Master Calendar

Distributed and reviewed. Master Calendar to be put on web site.

Lunch recess 12:40 pm

Reconvened 2:00

XVI. calaged.org – Mike Speiss

Mike presented survey results of “Computer Use by Ag. Teachers”

He also showed a prototype of R2 program for the computer. Also discussed calaged.org.

A subcommittee was formed to look into design of web site. Committee members – Jean Landeen, Chuck Parker, Bob Heuvel, and Mike Speiss.

Recessed at 6:15 pm

Reconvened at 9:13 am 6/8/00

XVII. UC Website and Admissions

- a. Handout Distributed with “Getting UC Approval for High School Courses”, “Sample of Innovative Courses”, and “Sample of UC Approved Courses”.

XVIII. Ag Incentive Grant Variance Request Form

Sample form looked at, suggested to add a.) Program manager signature, b.) at the bottom a signature of the Regional Supervisor c.) Remove due date

Possible reason for variance: 1.) Activities based on last year’s attendance of former teachers no longer at that school, 2.) Class size, 3.) Program plan, 4.) Credential, 5.) Grad Follow-up.

XIX. Graduate Follow Up Form

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Add to the form – Definition of Program Completer, 3 years of courses or 540 hours.
Delete number of students in last years graduating class.
Put form on website

XX. Program Certification

Only eligible for additional funding if certified after Sept 97.
\$1,000 if certified, \$500 if conditional (only receive once until they are certified.)
MS - for 2001-02 school year that we raise funding to \$3,000 for certified programs.
MSP to postpone the motion.
Ken Harris and Greg Beard to draft a proposal.

XIX. Region Coverage Assignments, Travel, and Scheduling.

Lengthy discussion held.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Havens
Temporary Secretary