

**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA**  
**STATE ADVISOR COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

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The meeting of the State FFA Executive Committee and State FFA Advisory Committee was called to order on Tuesday, September 26, 2000 at 9:01 am by our State FFA President, Tim Hammerich. Roll was taken finding all officers, seven FFA members and eleven advisors present. The present included Charles Parker, Assistant State Advisor; Tim Hammerich, State FFA President; Neil Gibson, State FFA Vice President; Jonnalee Henderson, State FFA Secretary; Sammy Ramirez, State FFA Treasurer; Julie Kondoff, State FFA Reporter; Doug Paasch, State FFA Sentinel; Angela Browning, Past State Officer; Luke Browning, Superior Region FFA President; Laura Fortman, South Coast Region FFA President; Seth Brown, San Joaquin Region FFA President; Jacob Wenger, Central Region FFA President; Terry Ann Sturgeon, Southern Region FFA President; Mandy Bartleson, North Coast Region FFA President; Roy Beck, Central Region Representative; Gina Boster, Southern Region Representative; David Caetano, San Joaquin Region Representative; Mike Campbell, Southern Region Representative; Carleen Charley, Superior Region Representative; Ron Furtado, North Coast Region Representative; Bill King, North Coast Region Representative; Mike Morales, and Central Region Representative.

The first item of business was the approval of the state conference minutes. Some suggestions for the 2001 State Conference included:

- having refreshments at the dance along with a stricter dance policy,
- that the FFA store be open more hours with a larger variety of merchandise,
- it was suggested to have more activities for the Street Fair,
- have the "Meet the Candidates" outside Selland Arena, and
- to shorten the retiring addresses and try to make them less emotional.

Julie Kondoff moved and the motion was seconded to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed by a voice vote.

The second item of business was the National Convention trip. Mr. Parker reported that Wednesday night at Cardinal stadium there will be three bands as well as fireworks. He also reported that California will be very well represented at the National Convention with many judging teams, honorary degree recipients, star awards, a national officer candidate, and the chairman of the nominating committee.

The third item dealt with the legality of students driving to FFA events, specifically the National Convention Delegate Training. David Caetano suggested to add to the February agenda the issue of students driving to delegate training.

The fourth item of business was chapter suspensions/reinstatements. Sammy Ramirez moved and it was seconded to formally revoke the chapter charters of Marino Valley, Carson-White, and Paradise. Motion passed by voice vote.

Angela Browning moved and it was seconded to suspend the chapter charters of Simi Valley, New Cuyama-Cuyama Valley and Sun Valley-Francis Polytechnic. It passed by voice vote.

Jacob Wenger moved and it was seconded that Angie Miles forward probationary letters to any chapter with over a ninety day outstanding debt. Motion passed by voice vote.

The next item of business was regional reports. Reports were given by Jacob Wenger from the Central Region, Mandi Bartleson from the North Coast Region, Seth Brown from the San Joaquin Region, Luke Browning from the Superior Region, Laura Fortman from the South Coast Region and Terry Ann Sturgeon from the Southern Region.

One issue brought up for discussion was concern over specific duties for section officers. A concern was raised regarding sectional officers and their specific duties. It was suggested that a list be developed with specific duties for sectional officers.

The ninth item of business was the reports by the State Officers.

- Julie Kondoff reported on National Leadership Conference for State Officers and Blast Off Training.
- Neil Gibson reported on the State's Presidents Conference.
- Jonnalee Henderson gave a brief report on the officers participation in the on Schools-In Symposium.
- Sammy Ramirez delivered an update on the teams involvement at the CATA Summer Conference.
- Doug Paasch reported on the activities of the California State Fair.
- Sammy Ramirez reported on FFA Board of Directors.
- Tim Hammerich gave a brief update on the State FFA Foundation.
- Doug Paasch talked on the recently completed Delegate Training.
- Neil Gibson reported on the Regional Officer Leadership Conference.
- Jonnalee Henderson gave an update on chapter visits. And
- Doug Paasch reported on FFA Day at Dodgers Stadium.

The Dodgers game was a topic up for discussion, specifically regarding the selection of future dates. A hand tally was taken to get a pulse for the group, eight individuals felt that the game should be in June with thirteen feeling that the game should be in September. It was also suggested that we look into the feasibility of having as FFA Day at Giants Stadium. The recommendation was to have one game in the Fall and the other game in the Spring.

The next item of business was the California Insert in the "New Horizons" magazine. Some suggestions:

- recognize those that are in pictures by writing their names underneath each picture.
- redesign the layout and make it more clean, crisp and professional.
- have a contest for FFA members to redesign the cover page.
- Include more regional reports. And
- have updates on agricultural issues in California.

Other items of discussion included:

- theme pins - should there be a policy. The consensus was that theme pins should be worn for the duration of the conference they represent but not worn during FFA contests or other events. Only the most current pin should be worn.
- stylish FFA jacket/windbreaker - (not to take place of the official FFA jacket) that can be worn by FFA members where they can put their extra pins and medals on and wear any time of the year as a casual jacket.
- State Degree Pins - source has been found that can produce a quality pin exactly like the existing pin for a reduced price. The agriculture advisory committee thought it would be a good idea to have our own pins produced at a reduced rate as long as we maintained a high quality product.
- National Convention Delegates - review changing the application deadline so as to obtain additional applications and to look at alternative ways to select the delegates.
- Star Counselor Award - a proposal would be presented at the February State FFA Executive Committee for review to establish a Star Counselor Award.
- Expense claims - claims were distributed to the State FFA Executive Committee. Mr. Parker explained how to get complete the forms.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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California State FFA Secretary

**California Association FFA  
FALL FFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & STATE FFA ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
California Farm Bureau Office Building**

**September 26, 2000**

**AGENDA**

- 9:00 a.m.    Opening Ceremony  
              Approval of Spring Executive Committee Minutes  
              Approval of 2000 State FFA Leadership Conference Minutes  
              Approval of June Advisory Committee Minutes  
              State Advisor Report  
              National FFA Convention Trip  
              Chapter Suspensions/Reinstatements  
              Regional Reports  
              State Officer Reports  
                  NLCSO  
                  SPC  
                  School's-In Symposium  
                  CATA Summer Conference  
                  California State Fair  
                  FFA Board of Directors  
                  FFA Foundation  
              New Horizons  
              Constitutional Proposals  
              Expense Claims
- 11:30 a.m.    Adjourn for Lunch
- 12:30 p.m.    Reconvene Meeting
- 3:00 p.m.    Adjourn