# CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The meeting of the State FFA Executive Committee was called to order by President Grace Berryhill at 1:00 p.m. on February 23, 2005 at the Farm Bureau Office Building in Sacramento. Present were Marcus Hollan, State Vice President; Colleen Bartlett, State Secretary; Katie Robertson, State Treasure; Carey Galliani, State Reporter; Jesse Eller, State Sentinel; Grace Berryhill, State President; Lisa Hammerich, North Coast Region President; Landon Friend, San Joaquin Region President; Stephen Perry, Superior Region President; Nick Traini, Central Region President; Jimmy Pierce, South Coast Region President; Casey Regan, Southern Region President; Nicolina Prestininzi, Past State President; and Charles Parker, Assistant State Advisor.

Also present were Regional Officers from each of the six geographical regions.

The Opening Ceremony was conducted by the State FFA Officers and the meeting began with a welcome from Grace Berryhill, State FFA President.

Following the welcome, Carey led the group in a quick mixer so that everyone could get reacquainted. Following the mixer the State Executive Committee traveled to the Greenhouse Room to conduct the State Executive Committee.

#### **State FFA Executive Committee Minutes**

Stephen Perry, Superior Region President, moved and it was seconded to accept the minutes from the September 28, 2004 State FFA Executive Committee meeting. Motion passed by a voice vote.

#### **Officer Reports**

The current State Officers provided a report on each of the following items.

FFA Membership

National FFA Convention

Chapter Officer Leadership Conferences

**Chapter Visits** 

Made for Excellence Conference

Advanced Leadership Academies

State FFA Finals

New Horizons Insert

FFA Foundation

FFA Adult Board of Directors

California Farm Bureau Federation State Convention.

# **Regional Reports**

Each of the regional presidents gave an update on the happenings within their regions. Reports were given by:

Nick Traini, Central Region President Lisa Hammerich, North Coast Region President Landon Friend, San Joaquin Region President Jimmy Pierce, South Coast Region President Casey Regan, Southern Region President Stephen Perry, Superior Region President

### **State Degree**

Stephen Perry, Superior Region President, moved and it was seconded to raise the 1,301 individuals submitted to the State FFA Degree. Motion passed by voice vote.

**Amendment Proposal One** (Limiting Nominating Committee to Seniors Only)
Colleen Bartlett, State FFA Secretary, moved and it was seconded to recommend a Do Pass on Proposal One. Motion failed, 5 in the affirmative and 7 in the negative.

Stephen Perry, Superior Region President, moved and it was seconded to recommend a no stance on Proposal One. Motion failed, 3 in the affirmative and 9 in the negative.

Carey Galliani, State FFA Reporter, moved and it was seconded to recommend a Do Not Pass on Proposal One. Motion passed, 7 in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

Amendment Proposal Two (Nominating Committee Selected by State Officers)
Marcus Hollan, State FFA Vice President, moved and it was seconded to recommend a Do Pass on Proposal Two. Motion failed, 3 in the affirmative and 10 in the negative. Following the vote, proposal two was withdrawn by the individual presenting it to the State Executive Committee.

## **Distinguished Service Citations**

Nicolina Prestininzi, Past State President, moved and it was seconded to confer the Distinguished Service Citation on Excellence in Presentations, Indio High School Agriculture Department, Lemoore High School Agriculture Department, Farm Credit Associations. Motion passed by voice vote.

# **Honorary State Degree**

Nicolina Prestininzi, Past State President, moved and it was seconded to confer the Honorary State FFA Degree on Billy Cox, Kim Donaher-Oh, Margie Fanconi, Jack Havens, A. G. Kawamura, Rich Mead, and the parents of the 2004-2005 State FFA Officers. Motion passed by voice vote.

#### **New Chapters**

Landon Friend, San Joaquin Region President, moved and it was seconded to approve charters for Bakersfield-Golden Valley, Morgan Hill-Sobrato, Santa Maria-Pioneer, and Taft. Motion passed by voice vote.

#### **Probation Chapters**

Marcus Hollan, State FFA Vice President, moved and it was seconded to remove Sacramento-Burbank from the suspended list. The must attend all Sectional Activities, Regional Activities, have 3 students present at the State FFA Conference, elect their Chapter Officers in the Spring, and conduct an two day officer training retreat for the officers. If any one of these items are not met, then Sacramento-Burbank will have their charter permanently suspended. Motion passed by voice vote.

Nicolina Prestininzi, Past State President, moved and it was seconded to place the following chapters on probation with the following conditions until such a time as they have cleared their

deficiencies. Conditions would be that the chapter could not have voting delegates at the State Conference, members from the Chapter could not participate in State Finals Activities, members could not receive the State Degree, and members could not participate in any other statewide activity. Motion passed by voice vote.

Chapters included: Merced-Golden Valley, Fairfield-Armijo, Forestville-El Molino, Fremont-School for the Deaf, Martinez-Alhambra, Sebastopol-Analy, Willits, Caruthers—MARC, Clovis, Lone Pine, Porterville-Monache, Bell, Canoga Park, San Fernando, Sylmar, Van Nuys-Grant, La Habra, Lancaster-Antelope Valley, Rosamond, Valley Center-ATAIC, and Winterhaven-San Pasqual.

Nicolina Prestininzi, Past State President, moved and it was seconded to Suspend the charter for Gardena effective immediately. Motion passed by voice vote.

# **Expense Claims**

Mr. Parker passed out expense claim forms to be completed and returned.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.