

**CDE Ag Education Unit Staff Meeting  
Sacramento, Calif.  
January 5, 2005**

Meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. at the Farm Bureau in Sacramento. In attendance was: Greg Beard, Chuck Parker, Jack Havens, Ken Harris, Bob Heuvel, Lloyd McCabe, Jeanette Sturzen, Lynn Martindale, Brad Dodson, and Mike Spiess. Joined at various times by, Jim Aschwanden, Rich Engel, Rosco Vaughn, Bob Flores, Bob Cummings, Jerry Clark,

Agenda was reviewed.

Minutes were approved as emailed.

**Dept of Education Report – Bob Heuvel**

- Perkins Leadership dollars will be distributed differently. Will get \$120,000 for 4 months.
- Strategic spending – Public Outreach project to promote CTE. Heuvel in charge, \$50,000. \$100,000 for CTE online (Butte project). \$100,000 Teacher Recruitment/Retention, \$60,000 Student Leadership Institute, CTSO – FFA 10-15,000 increase to \$50,000, \$600,000 for teacher mini-grants professional development. Ag's share will be \$100,000
- Concern at the use of the Ag Core CD. We need to survey the teachers before we continue
- Staffing – Carol's position (office tech) approved at full time. Paula (HECT) is approved for filling. Cheryl B. positioned is approved.

**State Standards Project Update – Bob Heuvel**

- Draft 4 – Final draft was distributed to staff. Not for general distribution. This version will go to the State Board for approval.

**University of California – Lloyd McCabe**

- Handout – A-g Strategies for approval and Quality
- Submitted an Ag. Science I for "G" elective credit
- Next project – Floral Design
- Ag. Engineering course is the next project.
- Dept. has idea to train more consultants in UC course approval.

**Executive Director – Jim Aschwanden**

- Governor budget should have CTE emphasis.
- Perkins – House version will be starting point

- Community College Incentive Grant legislation will be introduced
- AB 58 (Nunez) School Construction bond will try and strengthen language for sign off of CTE Committee on construction projects.

Lunch

#### **NCLB – McCabe**

- Distributed copy of FAQs from CDE website that give clearance for Ag credentials meets biological science if
- Meetings set up to review and approve Lloyd's recommendations for CTE major equivalents. (see handout)

#### **University Reports**

UC Davis – 6 student teachers in the application process. Field Day registration online.

Chico – Hiring 3 teachers, enrollment in College up for next year. Field Day on course.

Fresno – A tenure track position is in the process. Director of Farm Operations replacement is being advertised. Progressing on Field Day and State Conference.

CP-SLO – Teacher In-Residence has worked well. Student Teachers down this year and will be up next year. Ag. Communications major on hold. Masters of Science will change to Masters of Agricultural Education. Enrollment is increasing. Community College transfers to CSU have a rolling enrollment in Winter, Spring, and Summer Quarters

#### **State & Federal Initiatives – McCabe**

Handouts – President's Bush Educational Agenda and Supt. O'Connell Top 10 Resolutions for 2005.

#### **Teacher Placement Report – McCabe**

Handout distributed. Discussion followed.

#### **2004 Roadshow Report – McCabe**

Distributed handout with Road Show summaries. Discussion of CSA Tracker. Lifeknowledge follow up – Need a professional session at summer conference and a separate Skills Session for advanced training.

#### **Program Policy – Staff**

- SAEP Position Paper to be updated by committee of Ken, Jeanette, Brad
- FFA & Integral update by committee Charles, Jeanette, Greg, and Glen

**Electronic Update – Spiess**

- Mike and students working on Calaged menu and design
- Discussion Ag Directory updating and use of email system
- R-2 & FFA Roster – handout and powerpoint

Adjourned 5:55 pm

**Agricultural Safety – Dr. McCurdy**

- Study of injuries in high school age students, gave preliminary results

**New Professionals – Bob Cummings**

- Distributed evaluation. Discussion on balancing workshop participation, participation of third – five year teachers.
- Add Record Book instruction as Level 1 workshop.

**Student Teaching Student Sites – Heuvel**

- Review of sites in proximity to UC Davis.

**State Finals- Greg Beard**

- All contests will use new computer program developed by Spiess
- Mike distributed sample of a new “Tabulations Quality Checklist”
- Now will be register online with Calaged password.
- Tiebreakers still a problem in many contests

**Break Out Sessions****Ag. Incentive Grant – Parker**

- Informational Documents distributed
- Each Region will get two Specialized Grants

**Chevrolet Fundraiser –Parker**

- Gave an update

**FFA Affiliation – Heuvel**

- Issue of students at Comprehensive HS taking Ag. course at ROP – where are they a member. Suggest the committee reviewing FFA Integral paper include a clarification of this issue.

Lunch

#### **FFA – Parker**

- Distributed packet of handouts and reviewed.
- Reviewed State Conference schedule
- Reviewed State Finals @ Fresno

#### **BIG, COOP, Novice Farm Records**

- Proposed that BIG and COOPs Quiz be administered online. Consensus is that it is currently allowable.

#### **AIG Expenditure Reports and Capital Outlay - Harris**

MSP to require the Equipment Inventory be attached to the AIG Expenditure Report.

#### **FFA Center – Aschwanen**

- Handed out newsletter from FFA Foundation
- FFA Center may be built in phases, first phase is be admin and housing, other phases will include conference center.

#### **State CATA Conference – Jim Aschwanen**

- Asked for possible professional sessions
- Distributed tentative conference schedule

#### **University Educators Meeting**

Vaughn, Flores, Clarke, Cummings, Dodson, Martindale

Reported on Student Teacher/Master Teacher Conference

Student Teaching School Sites

- How are sites selected?
- Should teacher educators select or recommend school sites?
- Should regional supervisors be the only ones to recommend school sites?
- How do you change it?
  - Extensive communication among the universities, regional supervisors, and state staff must continue.

- Given the complexities of student teaching placements, the overlapping conflicts, universities proximities, it is important to make a positive placement for the student teacher.
- Educators must work extensively with state staff, regional supervisors to assure that the school sites are approved by Regional Supervisor.
- Refer to the brochure developed by Master Teacher Conclave, headed by Richard Rogers approximately 10 years ago for criteria.
- Only regional supervisor approved sites will be used for student teachers, even if that site attends the Student Teacher/Master Teacher Conclave.

#### Money Recommendation

\$60,000 CTE Promotional money will be going to Cal Poly

#### Augmentations to current contracts

1. Supplement the curriculum to address curriculum issues that are not included in the curriculum
    - Agriculture Safety
    - Agriculture irrigation
    - Exciting animation and graphics
    - Ready to use off the shelves materials
  2. Pre-service / In-service
  3. Current publication of agriculture mechanics projects
  4. Specifically Ag Mech in-service, for first time agriculture teachers
  5. Pre-Service monies-augment programs
  6. Ag teacher as consultants
  7. Targeted Professional development skills~ individually
    - a. Dale Carnegie-speaking, Covey~ time management, Relationship Building
  8. Teacher Recruitment – developing a series of lessons/promotional presentations for different venues focused on recruiting high school students, community college students, university students, and adults to careers in teaching agriculture
  9. Teacher recruitment using existing teachers
  10. Retaining teachers
    - a. Bi-Annual New Professional~ October/June -just before State Convention
    - b. Individual 1<sup>st</sup> year teacher visitation program
    - c. On site visitations to high schools during New Professional Institute for 3-5 year teachers
  11. ETC.
- \$100,000 CTE~ Identifying opportunities and barriers
1. One person to focus on recruit statewide
  2. Players are Fresno, Cal Poly-SLO, Chico (in no order), state supervisor to select the school
  3. DO NOT GO RFP
  4. Everyone excited about the issue

Adjourned 4:50

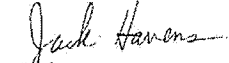
Recovered 9:00

Scored Perkins Application

Developed Master Calendar

Adjourned 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jack Havens