

California Ag Education Meeting
FFA Center Conference Room
Galt, CA
Jan. 8-10, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. In attendance was: Greg Beard, Jack Havens, Charles Parker, Bob Heuvel, Jeanette Lowe, Jean Landeen, Josiah Mayfield, and Hugh Mooney.

Review of agenda

I. State FFA Convention

- Conference Registration is now open, along with hotel registration.
- Paperwork due date is extended one week.
- Parli Pro is now in Salons (Novice) and Valdez Hall (vs. Expo Hall). Finals on Saturday will be at the Salons. Results announced at Field Day.

MSP to eliminate the Saturday Night Region meeting.

II. Potential Award Nominees

- Reviewed and added to the State Award Honors list.

III. CALPADS and ACN Course Titles and Coding - Heuvel

- Reviewed Bob's proposed list and suggested changes.

Lunch

IV. Ag Directory - Landeen

- Make changes as they occur.

V. R2 and Membership Rosters - Mayfield

- Appears membership will be over 73,000

VI. International Ag Expo - Mayfield

- Need chapters to sell tickets at the Expo.

VII. Toyota Truck Drawing - Mayfield, Otto

- Tickets are not selling any better than last year

VIII. State FFA Budgets - Otto

- Reviewed state budget

IX. MFE/ALA Registration - Mayfield

- Almost all are full

X. Membership Services - Jennifer Stockton

- Reviewed Affiliation recap

XI. Nutrients for Life - Landeen

- Jean gave an update, encourage more apps.

XI. Selection of 2013 Stars - Mayfield

- Still need an Agribusiness and Agriscience finalists

XII. Proficiency Judging - Havens

- Reviewed state proficiency process handout.

XII. Proficiency Record Book Scorers – Havens

- Added names to the suggested list
- Letter of invitation will go out next week.

XIII. Record Book Online In-service - Heuvel

- Various results reported, 50 – 90% completion rate in Regions
- Will hold the line on not accepting state degree applications from those programs that all teachers did not complete the online record book in-service.

XIV. Revised Record Book Score sheets – Mooney, Heuvel

- After long discussion, next step to create a score sheet that works with all forms of the record book, eliminate some of the areas scores, and develop a rubric.

Adjourned for day

Joined by Bill Kellogg, Kim Miller, Jin Aschwanden, Bob Cummings, Clay Worley (National FFA) Mike Spiess, Lynn Martindale, Roscoe Vaughn, Brad Dodson, Ernie Gill, and Matt Patton.

Minutes of September 2012 State Staff meeting were approved.

XV. CDE Update - Heuvel

- Pat Ainsworth - Division Director retired, 2 Interim Directors have been appointed.
- Contracts - issues with getting contracts approved. Contracts meant to hire expertise that we do not have in CDE. But they were rejected because contractors were to hire other presenters.

XVI. CATA Executive Director Report - Aschwanden

- SB 1070 signed - partnership academy funding, includes some CTSO
- SB 1458 signed - API rank - no more than 60% should test scores. 40% must be other measurements, but issues deciding what should be included.
- Weighted Student Formula (WSF) - Governor's proposal to do away with all categoricals and use that funding to districts if they have 50% or more "Free/Reduced Lunch" and English Learners (EL). 7 seven year phase out, first year will be 5%, the 10%, then 15% increments.
- Obama proposing \$1 billion for partnership academies. California share would be \$130 million. Agriculture would be a good fit.
- Diesel engine survey. Region supervisors need to follow up. Portable diesel. 25 hp or more. (not Ag truck, stationary engines) Need by Jan. 20.

- Jan. 17-18 Governing Board meeting

XVII. 2030 Project - Matt Patton

- a. Group of 40 teachers met in mid-December, four themes resulted
 - i. Curriculum - 3 circles need to remain in the classroom
 - ii. Funding - Improve communications of other funding sources besides AIG.
 - iii. Mentorship/Leadership - in five years leadership will change, training for CATA members beyond New Professionals
 - iv. SAE - Extremely important, but will look different, - need to be proactive
- b. Action Plan is being development - timeline with assignments - not ready for release

XVIII. Summer CATA Conference - Aschwanden

- Distributed tentative Conference agenda
- Need suggestions for Wednesday in-service
- PGE is coming on board as an FFA sponsor. \$100,000 if students do energy survey.

XIV. Cal Ag Plate - Aschwanden

- March is what we are being told the plates will be available

XV. Ag Career Network - Mayfield

- Developed a basic handout for teachers to "invite" their students to set up an account. Needed to apply for scholarships.

XVI. Teacher Placement and UC/CSU Report - McCabe

- Distributed reports and had brief comments

XVII. calaged R2 "Data" System - Spiess

- Handout on uses of calaged data
- Now available - Retention (Persistence) Report

XVI. University Reports

- Fresno - having enrollments issues with "service area".
- UC Davis - Dean retiring, 4-7 student teachers next year.
- Chico - Morale is good
- Cal Poly - Larry Rathbun passed away. Mike and Wendy Hall retired. CATA Summer Conference registration now available. 48,000 applied university wide, 8000 slots. New Farm Market being developed. New wine and viticulture major and department. 3 week session - begin week before conference, then not meet during conference. Then the following week. They will be three hour long class. Classes will be Floral Design, Adv. Welding teaching methods, FFA/SAE class, and Earth Science class.
- Pomona - 98 students in Ag Ed plus Masters students, 4 student teachers next year, issues with Tier I and Tier II service areas.

XVII. Teacher Educator Report

- See minutes following the state staff meeting minutes.

Break for lunch

XVII. Leadership Contests at State FFA Leadership – Heuvel

- Remember to change your seedings/rotations
- Teachers need to check Code for any changes

XVIII. State Finals Judging and Tabs at SLO - Beard

- Issues with contest advisors, especially with retirements coming soon.

XIX. Ag Sales and Marketing Plan Contest Location/Support – Heuvel

- Ag Sales State Finals will be held at Cosumnes River College
- Ag Sales item to sell will be boots
- Marketing Plan - Alyssa Schager of Orland to help with Marketing Plan

XX. Roadshow Reports

- Each supervisor reported on their roadshow

XXI. State FFA Conference – Mayfield

- Revised agenda distributed
- Discussion of state officers speeches that are inappropriate

XXII - Projected FFA Membership - Mayfield

- 73191 is current submissions - should end up slightly higher than that

XXIII. Measuring Program Retention Mooney

MSP to adopt the basic Criteria 12 proposal - work on its wording, eliminate State Degree funding from the basic AIG grant, change 4 years to 3 years as a program.

- Later decided Criteria 12 the amount of money will be the same regardless of program size.

Adjourned for evening

XXIV. Ag Career Network (ACN) Training - Clay Worley

- Two hour review of the service, very informative

XXV. Specialized Grants – Mooney

- Approximately 15 apps - \$70,000 available

XXVI. FFA Constitution Proposals – Mayfield

- #1 - Region Representative or Region President serving as Region Representative on Executive Committee.
MSP to recommend a Do Pass
- #2 Black Nylon as part of California Official Dress
MSP to recommend a neutral position
- #3 - Fiscal Governance
MSP - to recommend at Do Pass

XXVII. iBook - Parker, Spiess

- Handout
- Task force met, they are testing the book
- Next phase - broader testing of iBook
- Need to develop Record Book manual for the iBook
- Discussed the concern that some teachers have about "Big Brother" or "State Staff" looking over their shoulder. Such as the iBook that would allow us to view student record books on demand.
- The group that is reviewing the iBook will need a new batch of teachers to participate. The expectation will be that teachers will create iBook for at least two students with at least two years of records and one must include inventory.
- Region Supervisors need to provide five names for second phase of iBook testing.
- May have a workshop or skills session at CATA conference related to the iBook and AgCN.

Teacher Education State Staff Meeting
January 9, 2012
State FFA Center, Galt, California

Members Present: Bill Kellogg-Chairman, Brad Dodson-Chico State, Lynn Martindale-Secretary-UC Davis, Bob Cummings-Cal Poly, SLO, Kim Miller-Cal Poly- Pomona, and Rosco Vaughn-Fresno State, Clay Worley, and Ernie Gill.

Lunch was provided. Meeting called to order at 12:30.

Minutes were approved unanimously.

Agenda was approved unanimously.

Agenda Items

Old Business

Continuing Units from Fresno Pacific University – Bill Kellogg

- Cooperating Teachers is open to all teachers of all *subject matter*
- \$70 / Semester unit

Field Supervision Report – Bill Kellogg

- Please submit the “end of the quarter” report to Bob Heuvel and Bill Kellogg

Contract Expenses – Bill Kellogg

- The reimbursement rate for the Department of Education are different then the Cal Poly so we need to be consistence and use the Department of Education rates
 - Breakfast-6.00
 - Lunch-10.00
 - Dinner-18.00
 - Incidentals-6.00
- What about gas mileage? (0.555 / mile)
- Check with Donnetta

Recruitment Efforts

- Cal Poly-Visited the introduction classes, College of Ag. Showcase,
- Chico-Team building at COLC, Orientation class 180, summer orientation,
- Fresno-Working with MJC, campus tours, visits to community colleges,
- Pomona-Attend all Southern FFA events, Conduct tours at university, conduct workshop at Greenhand Conference, Facebook, twitter account
- Davis-visiting community colleges, talking to Aggie Ambassadors, AED 100 course

New Professional Institute

- Overall very successful
- Would like to have teachers attend 3 times

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- NEXT Year: Piccadilly Inn, Fresno. November 21 & 22, 2013 (Thursday & Friday)

Student Teacher Conclave January 17-18, 2013 in Modesto at MJC

- Went over the agenda for conclave
- Next Year: January 16 & 17 OR 23 & 24 (preferred date), 2014 Modesto JC

New Business

Teach Ag Website – Kim Miller

- Need to pay for the “Teach Ag Website”
- Didn’t understand why it needs to be paid for?
- Would prefer not to work with the same company because of their “rude service”

Cooperating Teacher Seminar – Lynn Martindale

- Is there one necessary?
- Cal Poly – Host their own workshop
- Fresno – Hosts during their specific discipline topics
- Pomona – Host a luncheon for the Cooperating Teacher
- Davis – works with individual Cooperating Teachers
- Chico – works with individual Cooperating Teachers
- Suggests that the Cooperating Teaching Conference be held at CATA conference on “Requirements for Becoming a Master Teacher, Mentoring the Next Generation”.

National Council on Recruitment and Retention (Ernie Gill) 1/30 & 31, 2013

Ag Career Network – Clay Worley

- FFA.org
- Sign in page (will be changing)
- Showed the site
- Utilize this as a spring board to the careers

Meeting adjourned at 2:45.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Martindale