

California Ag Education Meeting
FFA Center Conference Room
Galt, CA
Sept. 2-3, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. In attendance: Greg Beard, Jack Havens, Charles Parker, Lloyd McCabe, Jeanette Lowe, Jean Landeen, Josiah Mayfield, Jim Aschwanden and Hugh Mooney.

Thank You to Hugh for filling in as Program Manager.

Review of agenda

- I. Past, Present, Future - McCabe
- II. Management Style and Idiosyncrasies – McCabe
 - Communications – once a week calls to each of us, conference calls a possibility
 - Decision Making Process – delegates decisions
 - Neatness – reflects on unit.
 - Organizational Habits – decision will be given ASAP
 - Text is main communication
 - 15 second rule with emails
 - cc emails – one example of each type and all unique emails/letters
 - Office hours – 9:30 am except lambing season
 - Adhering to protocol
 - Expectations to by Administrator (handout)
 - Expectations by Staff (handout)
 - Tentative Work Assignments (handout)
 - Individual Goals 2014-15 – 3-5 measurable goals– by Sept. 15 (handout)
 - The 10 Commandants in Dealing with School Personnel (handout)
- III. Unit Operational Housekeeping
 - Update on OT, SSA, and Consultant Positions
 - a. Looking to hire
 - b. Marquia is SSA – will continue to do the same jobs
 - c. Jean’s position should be posted in 2 weeks (came out Wednesday), posted for 4 weeks
 - Continue to turn in Leave Requests on the form
 - CDE Discrimination & Harassment Policy – Asked to sign and return
 - Writing Responses to the Field (Handout)
 - Professional Dress - (handout)
- III. Division & CDE News
 - Hiring Freeze in July and August 2014 – now freeze lifted
 - CCPT – funding list was provided
 - CCPT – second round of funding, Ag needs to apply
 - Researching Linked Learning effectiveness
 - CCPT Travel – will be asked to help with reviews, can say no

- Perkins Role – Travel - will be asked to help with reviews, can say no

Break for lunch

IV. Unit Budget & Travel Budget for 2014-15

- Unit Budget (Handout)
- Travel & Activities (Handout) – to be negotiated
- Travel Reimbursement – continue to use same process
- Defensive Driver Training – will let us know if we are not up to date.
- Renewal of Vehicle Form - will let us know if we are not up to date.
- Emergency Form - will let us know if we are not up to date.

V. Contract & Grants:

- Cal Poly \$170,000
- CSU-Fresno \$25,000
- Delta Conference \$90,000
- FFA \$242,000
- Outstation Offices \$56,000

VI. Big and Small Issues

- Central Supervisor Replacement and Coverage Assignments
- List of Potential Candidates (handout) – reviewed names, added to list, discussed developing our potential staff members
- 2030 Liaison & Issues
 - a. Each of us assigned as a consultant to a group
- Student Certification – Productivity – meaningful, industry involved. Robin Grundmeyer is taking a lead. CDEs, Proficiency as part of it.
- Ag Ed Phone Directory – Data Mgt Lead – Hugh Mooney
- Roadshows – Survey – sample in binder
- Tracking Section, Region, State Awards & CDE - sample in binder
- State Ag Ed Literacy – Jeanette will take over on a temporary assignment.
- AIG Reviews – will re-instate to some degree

VII. Other Issues

- FFA Center – alarm issue – who will be the contact
- E. Coli – Fairs & Shows – Summer Conference
- Input Requested – Career Readiness White Paper –
- Community Support in the era of LCFF (McCabe topic at Region meeting)
- Revised Designated Subjects CTE Credential Regulations
- Community College Representative @ State Staff meetings

MSP to have Community College representative “Administrator for Community College” attend State Staff meeting when college representatives attend.

- Letters of Insurance – Submit a list of activities that need letter of insurance.

Adjourned for the day

Reconvene Wednesday Sept. 3, 9:03am – joined by Kim Miller, Bill Kellogg, Ann DeLay, Ben Swan, Brad Dodson, Lynn Martindale, Zane Sheehan, Roscoe Vaughn,

Recognized Dr. Lynn Martindale for garnering her Doctorate

MSP to approve minutes June 2014 Staff Meeting as emailed.

VIII. CATA Executive Director Report

- AIG for 2015-16 is again in jeopardy, Governor still wants ALL categorical gone. If it goes, schools will still receive some funding of AIG as it is phased out – but it will be flexed.
- Looking for alternative means of funding outside of education
- CCPT grants are a possibility
- Student certification (accountability). We are behind in developing a certification.
- 2030 Report – looking to communicate and
- Community Colleges – looking to award Bachelor’s Degree – BS in Ag. Mechanics most often mentioned.
- PGE – if we get 1500 Ag. Energy audits by Dec. 31 and state FFA gets \$75,000 and will be split with regions/chapters. Teaching lesson on CATA website under Resources.

IX. CDE Ag Ed/Home Econ Program Manager Report

- Perkins funding miscalculated by \$600,000
- SB 1070 Funds will be used
- Hiring freeze for two months, \$1.2 million misappropriated by another division
- Jean’s position will be flown in about 2 weeks. Interviews in November.
- Big issues: 4yr degree, certification, will CTE survive in era of LCFF, CTE enrollments is dropping quickly, AIG, major changes of Ag Ed leadership in the next five years, need to part of accountability system of districts
- This is last year of SB 1070. Need to get it reauthorized
- CCPT – 39 grants – Ag got about \$19 million.

X. LPS Update – Ben Meyer

- Shop FFA and Ag CN login is the same.
- Answered questions

Break to Breakouts

XI. FFA Budget and Policy Review – Katie Otto

- Reviewed 13-14 and 14-15 State FFA Budgets

XII. Update on Roster Submission Process – Stockton

- Process to remain the same

XIII. AIG Updates – Mooney

- Expects it to be pretty much the same as last year.
- AIG Specialized Grants – due by Nov. 15.

- Variances are only granted for one year. i.e. class size can only be waived one year.

MSP to waive the three years restriction for Specialized Grants

MSP that starting in 2015-16 AIG Finding Year that to qualify for Criteria 12 the District must match the AIG 100 percent.

XIV. Proficiency Award Scorecard

MSP to adopt the recommended score sheet and rubrics as presented

Consensus to change the Income Summary page on all record books to reflect the “Transfer to Non-Current Inventory”

XV. Leadership Development Coordinator Report – Sheehan

- Handouts
- Greenhand Conference – 25 conferences
- MFE/ALA – added one conference in Monterey
- National Trip – plan reviewed, participation slightly higher (297 vs 294), DC Trip is also has higher participation.

XVI. Assistant State FFA Advisor Report – Mayfield

- Master Calendar
- COLC information sent to Region Supervisors
- State FFA Advisory – minutes distributed, may have a new choir director
- Reviewed State FFA Conference
- State Officer Visits
- New and Closing Programs reviewed

XVII. Teacher Educator Report

- Minutes are at the end of these State Staff minutes.

Break for Team Ag Ed photo

XVIII. Roadshow Update

- Roadshow \$600 for honorarium (\$200 max) \$150 for supplies

XIX. FFA Foundation – Aschwanden, Madison

- Board is looking to give itself more responsibilities in fund raising, being more productive
- Amy updated us on what she has been doing and plans for future events.

XX. iRecordbook Update – Parker

- Met with teachers at Summer Conference for feedback
- Working with Mike Spiess to implement

XXI. FFA Insert – Beard

- New issue will be posted soon.

XXII. Ag Ed Teacher Placement Report

- Reviewed teacher placement
- Updated Student Teacher placement sites

XXIII. Dissertation Findings - Martindale

- Reported that most were recruited to be an Ag Teacher
- What kept them in Ag Teaching – built the relationship within school and especially community, and building capacity with their students
- Passion for Agriculture and students
- Setting priorities early in their career, set family priorities

XXIV. UC Report

- 1300 courses approved in Ag.
- Distributed handout

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Havens

State Staff Teacher Educator Break Out Session September 3, 2014

The meeting was called to order by chair Bill Kellogg at 11:06 am. Members present were Kim Miller, Ann DeLay, Don Borges, Brad Dodson, Rosco Vaughn, Ben Swan and Lynn Martindale.

Bill Kellogg volunteered as chair for another year. Lynn Martindale volunteered as secretary. Unanimously approved by the members for chair and secretary.

Contacts - Bill Kellogg

- Cal Poly will begin to charge 46% indirect
- Mentoring Conference will be contracted by Lynn Martindale

Student teacher numbers-Bill Kellogg

- 59 student teachers
 - Cal Poly, Pomona-3
 - Cal Poly, SLO-22
 - Chico State-16
 - Fresno State-14
 - UCD-4

Teach Ag Star Mtg-Ellen Thompson

- September 5

EdTPA

- Cal Poly, SLO will be doing EdTPA beginning in the spring

- CP School of Education is paying the \$300/students from School of Education (if a students fails, they must pay it again themselves)

New Professional Institute- Ann Delay

November 19-20, 2014 - Piccadilly Inn Airport, Fresno

- Keynote Speaker not scheduled yet (\$1000)
- Teacher honorarium (\$200/day x 15)
- 3rd year tours will be back
- Sarah Herdell - Cooperative SAE / Floriculture
- Greg Beard - Organizations
- Erin Thompson – iRecord Book
- Natalie Borba – Common Core
- Dan Lansanki- Professional Etiquette
- Great Ideas back
- Brian Tassie – SAE
- Roy Beck – Innovative SAE

Mentoring Workshop-Lynn Martindale

February 2-3, 2014 Piccadilly Inn Airport, Fresno

- Keynote - \$1000
- Honorarium \$200/day
- Meeting will be on Friday
- Will send out agenda on Monday to everyone

Student Conclave-Ben Swan

January 8-9, 2015, Holiday Inn Express, Modesto

Modesto JC (moved earlier)

- Thursday
 - UC Davis – Christie Bennett-1st, Amanda Larson 2nd
 - Chico – Missy Rouble-2nd
 - Invite Ag Ed club from MJC
- Friday – Rotation of 3
 - Lunch provided
- Let Don Borges know if you need AV needs

Mentoring Conference-Lynn Martindale

February 2-3, 2014 Piccadilly Inn Airport, Fresno

- Follow the decision
- Use the input from the 20/30 committee
- Talking the opportunities for the Mentor Conference
- Charge \$150 (own room additional \$50)
- Professional development units

Budget for 2014-15 Professional Development Contract-Bill Kellogg

State Rates-Bill Kellogg

- BLD-41 (B-\$7 / L-\$11 / D-\$23)

- Lodging \$90
- Summer Conference \$250 / lodging \$110

Concerns for Credentialing Shop Teachers-Brad Dodson

- Can we think out of the box to train teachers for the shop
- Could we give DS program in Ag Mechanics

Grant to increase CTE teachers throughout the state-Bill Kellogg

- Put on hold due to indirect costs

University Reports

- Cal Poly, Pomona – Kim Miller
 - New dean hired – Mary Holtz-Claus
 - Converting to semester system
- UC Davis – Lynn Martindale
 - Things going well
- Chico State – Brad Dodson
 - Interviewing for a new dean
 - Increasing numbers, not the smallest college
 - Hired Alyssa Schager
 - Lecturer for Ag. Ed. – Intro to Ag Ed, Early Field Experience this fall
 - Hired Kaytie Ettlin
 - Outreach coordinator
 - Audrey Denney
 - Left AgriCorp
- Cal Poly, SLO
 - Two teachers in residents
 - Erin Gorter, Templeton
 - Clemente Ayone, Santa Maria
 - Teacher prep side
- Fresno State
 - Things are changing –
 - Deans have change
 - Ag dean may change
 - Hired new teachers in College of Agriculture
 - 8-9 new teachers
 - Randy Perry, Chair of Animal Science (Art stepped down)
 - Would like to increase major to include leadership

The meeting was adjourn 1:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Martindale