

ND FFA Association Board of Directors Minutes
August 3rd, 2025 – 2:00 pm CST
Location: 15th Floor Conference Room – State Capitol

Members/Directors Present:

Nikki Fideldy–Doll, State Advisor	Callahan Lemar, Dist. 4	Kristyn Bauer, FFA Secretary
Darin Spelhaug, State Exec. Secretary	Jeff Bjugstad, Dist. 5	Makayla Kraft, FFA Vice President
Laiken DeMorrett, FFA Foundation	Missy Hansen, Dist. 6	Rose Schiele, FFA Treasurer
Jeremy Carkuff, Dist. 1	Bill Zingg, Dist. 7	Evelyn Seil, FFA Reporter
Amanda Huettl, Dist. 2	Colbey Steeke, Dist. 8	Tate Norby, FFA Sentinel
JoDee Free, Dist. 3	Cole Anderson, FFA President	Ryan Schumacher, FFA Parliamentarian

- a. Nikki Fideldy–Doll Called the Meeting to Order at 2:00 PM CST
- b. Roll Call
- c. Secretary’s Minutes 6.6.2025
 - a. Jeremy moved, Bill 2nds, passes
- d. Treasurer’s Report: Fideldy–Doll
 - a. Moved by Colbey, 2nd by Amanda, passes
- e. Foundation Report
 - a. Sponsored just over \$60,000 for State Convention, State Fair, and Land Judging. Students will complete a form using a QR code for high individual prize money. Switched to Bloomerang as a donor platform.
- f. State Officer Report
 - a. Cole gave report on officer activities including training with CTSOs and National FFA. He, Kristyn, and Nikki attended Summit in Washington D.C. Other officers helped with the state fair. Cole, Makayla, and Evelyn helped with Land Judging. All officers spent the current weekend planning leadership conference. He introduced the state officer initiative, “Corduroy Connections.”
- g. Committee Reports
 - a. Written Applications & SAE
 - i. Did not meet, need to finish State Degree Handbook.
 - b. CDE
 - i. Meats point values for quality/yield carcasses
 - 1. Recommends following nationals points breakdown

- ii. Dairy Cattle Handler
 - 1. Safety of the participants is the highest priority.
- iii. Small Animal Care update
 - 1. Reduce time for written test to 30 minutes. Combine anatomy and math as a rotation
- iv. Milk Quality and Products
 - 1. Remove Romano
- v. Ag Comm
 - 1. Consider lowering time allotment to 2 hours.
- c. Events/Activities
 - i. Leadership Conference
 - 1. Recommend adding junior high level program. Potentially bring in National FFA program.
- d. Finance
 - i. Rescheduled due to Edward Jones schedule change.
- e. Policy
 - i. ND CTE is updating search policy. Discussed Chapters in Good Standing deadlines. Need to decide on firmness of rules.
 - ii. Move to accept all committee reports. Colbey moved, Laiken 2nds, passes.
- h. Old Business
 - a. Demonstration, Employment Skills
 - i. "I move that we exempt demonstration and employment skills from the two room policy for LDE Day" Moved by JoDee, 2nd by Jeremy, passes
- i. New Business
 - a. Standing Committee Action Items
 - i. Written Applications & SAE
 - ii. CDE
 - 1. Remove Romano cheese from Milk Quality list. Moved by Missy, 2nd by Bill, passes
 - 2. Small Animal Care Revisions

a. Moved to November meeting

3. For next committee meeting

a. Tractor operator age ranges

b. Land judging (consider Nebraska or National),
would need to change handbook

c. Review participant eligibility if they have won the
baby bison and participated on national teams.

d. Consider 1 minute warning for food science team
event.

e. Find options for Dairy Handlers

f. Consider "Agricultural Innovations CDE"

4. "I move that we align quality and yield grade points with
Nationals" Colbey moved, Missy 2nds, 11 yes, 3 no, motion
passes

iii. Finance

1. A conversation about affiliation sprung up. Need input on
chapters views. Districts will be polled by their board
representatives.

iv. Events/Activities

v. Policy

1. I move to accept the 2025-26 Chapters in Good Standing
Deadline document, JoDee moved, Amanda 2nds, passes

2. I move to accept the Mayport-CG FFA and New Town FFA
letters of intent and continue their membership. JoDee
moves, Missy 2nd, passes

3. We reach out to Watford City Middle to provide support
and guidance to reach deadlines, moved by Laiken, 2nd
Colbey, passes

b. FFA Board Officer Elections & Committee Assignments: Fideldy-Doll

i. Vice President: Jeff Bjugstad

ii. Treasurer: JoDee Free

iii. Committees will be appointed

c. NDSF Review: Spelhaug

i. Exhibit totals were presented, points discussed, discussed
additional awards.

- d. Land Judging Review: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - i. Things went well. 34 participants, 6 chapters preregistered.
- e. Range Judging: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - i. September 18th, Glen Ullin
- f. Leadership Conference: Fideldy-Doll
 - i. Additional workshop rotations, adding tree rooms to use. Care kit service project.
- g. CTE Professional Development Conference: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - i. Schedule update
- h. Program of Activities Handbook Changes
 - i. Modify the POA handbook to reflect the POA being submitted through the AET. Moved by Missy, Colbey 2nds, passes
- j. Next Meeting
 - a. November 5th, 10 AM
- k. Announcements
- l. Adjourn
 - a. Motion to adjourn by Colbey, Bill 2nds, passes. Meeting adjourned at 4:42 PM.