

ND FFA Association Board of Directors

Minutes

January 13, 2020 at 3:30 pm CST: Microsoft Teams

Members/Directors:

Aaron Anderson, State Advisor	Molly Zahradka, Dist. 4	Caleb Hauck, FFA Secretary
Craig Kleven, State Exec. Sec.	Breana Bregel, Dist. 5	Hannah Remington, FFA Vice President
Beth Allen, FFA Foundation	Missy Hansen, Dist. 6	Christina Greuel, FFA Treasurer
Ben Curdy, Dist. 1	Mike Kamrath, Dist. 7	Calli Hauck, FFA Reporter
Lance Van Berkom, Dist. 2	David Leier, Dist. 8	Jayden MacDonald, FFA Sentinel
Kasey Okke, Dist. 3	Breanna Hosman, FFA President	Miranda Clarys, FFA Parliamentarian

Officers:

President	Aaron Anderson
Vice President	David Leier
Secretary	Craig Kleven
Treasurer	Mike Kamrath

Standing Committees:

Written Applications & SAE	Missy Hansen, Kasey Okke, Craig Kleven, Caleb Hauck, Calli Hauck
CDEs	David Leier, Lance Van Berkom, Breana Bregel, Craig Kleven, Breanna Hosman, Jayden McDonald
Finance	Aaron Anderson, Mike Kamrath, Beth Allen, Christina Greuel
Events/Activities	Aaron Anderson, Molly Zahradka, Ben Curdy, Hannah Remington, Miranda Clarys
Policy	Aaron Anderson, Craig Kleven, Breanna Hosman, David Leier, Mike Kamrath

Absent: Hauck joined at 4:06 pm. Leier left at 4:58 pm for graduate class.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 3:36 pm. Roll call was called by Anderson.

Secretary's Report:

The secretary's minutes were reviewed. Kamrath moved; Leier seconded to approve the minutes from 11/20/20 meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: No Report

State Officer Report – Hosman: Report submitted by email and not read out loud to utilize limited time.

The State Officer Team took the opportunities in December and January to train in order to facilitate the first ever virtual winter leadership conference. The conference was extremely successful, with over three hundred FFA members signed up to attend. Members were taught by the state officers as well as a few other outside facilitators from the state of Oklahoma. Rhett Laubach and Kelly Barnes trained the team before the conference and also helped facilitate. The conference itself went smoothly and students were given the opportunity at the end of the conference to write about their favorite part, and there was an overwhelmingly positive response from the students.

The team also met recently on January 4th through the 5th to discuss a new project: NDFFAServes. Chapters will be sent a tube including a poster, letter, and other tools further assisting them in the project. The team's goal was to bring chapters together through service to their communities: something that can be built specifically to the chapter and to their own individual COVID restrictions.

The team plans to meet this weekend for checkpoint two training with Ethan Dado and look forward to future opportunities.

Standing Committee Reports: CDE committee will receive individual CDE proposed changes (which includes input from CDE superintendents and advisors) over the course of the next two weeks. No other reports

Old Business:

a. Virtual and/or in person CDE/LDE competitive state events: Judging Card is no longer offering the QBank System for Virtual CDEs, just the digitally fillable cards.

b. State Winter CDEs Options: Unanimous reports by all districts that the winter CDEs occur in person. District's want in person and maybe have a qualifier at the district or regional level. Set up the qualifier events but determine sooner than later for planning. Qualifier event for this year only and not for future years. State event be planned as a rotational timed event. Possibly conduct each CDE on separate days. Limit numbers to three or four members per team in each event. Can we change procedures closer to the event if the COVID level lessens or increases? Have each district select 20 members to represent the district. State office wants to host an in-person event.

- i. Option 1: Qualifier based on data from previous events.
- ii. Option 2: Entire virtual event
- iii. Option 3: Virtual Pre-qualifier
- iv. Option 4: District or Regional Qualifying Events
- v. Option 5: Hold events on different days
- vi. Option 6: Move Winter CDE's to State Convention

Hansen moved to allow four members/chapter/event to participate at the 2021 state Winter CDEs. Van Berkom second the motion. Discussion occurred for and against. Vote taken. Motion passed.

Anderson shared the link to the 2021 ND FFA State Winter CDEs Plan with suggested operating details for each CDE. Each event will be isolated to specific rooms within the North Dakota State Fair center in Minot and participants and advisors will not be allowed to move from room to room.

Agricultural Sales: Kamrath moved that all 2021 agricultural sales state CDE participants complete the individual sales call and objective test portion. The top eight teams based on the combined scores advance to the finals round, which is the team sales situation activity and qualify as the gold teams. Bregel second the motion. Motion passed. The change will decrease the need for rooms and judges to help lessen the amount of people in attendance.

Livestock Evaluation: Hansen moved that the 2021 Livestock Evaluation state CDE contain six placing classes and three sets of reasons. If 15 officials are not available because of COVID, reduce to two sets of reasons and a questions class to keep the point value the same. Leier second the motion. Motion passed.

Agronomy: Kamrath moved to adopt the 2021 Agronomy state CDE plan as presented with the event modifications. Curdy second the motion. Motion passed.

c. State Parliamentary Procedure Update: Microsoft Teams meeting is scheduled on 1/14/21 with the state qualifying team's advisor to determine date and location.

d. State Convention: NDSU has been contacted regarding campus policies and NDSU anticipates a full regular summer schedule. Discuss with your districts about extended days for convention to accommodate all events; delegate only convention and CDE's/LDE's are held outside of convention and throughout the spring and summer. Possible district qualifying events for each CDE. Possible one east and one west qualify event.

e. ND Review Eligibility Requirements for National CDEs & LDEs: Unfinished business from June 2020. Review the National FFA [FAQ – Changes to CDEs LDEs 006.pdf](#) document.

Van Berkomp moved that the current 2021 state first place CDE/LDE teams and LDE first place individuals represent North Dakota at the 2021 national events. Clarys second the motion.

Bregel amended the main motion by adding the words “both the Land and Range Judging 2019 and 2020 state winning teams can participate at the 2021 national event”. Clarys second the amendment. Amendment passed.

Discussion was called on the main motion as amended. “The current 2021 state first place CDE/LDE teams and LDE first place individuals represent North Dakota at the 2021 national events and both the Land and Range Judging 2019 and 2020 state winning teams can participate at the 2021 national event”. Main motion passed as amended.

f. Other: None

New Business:

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- a. Winter Leadership Review: Online until 4:00 pm did get a little long but appreciated the opportunity.
- b. Denny's Storage Unit Cancelled: Moved the storage to the new ND FFA Foundation Office. All is in heated storage. The Association will pay a monthly storage fee to the Foundation.
- c. Other: None

FFA Foundation Report – Allen:

Allen shared Kayla Hart was hired as the Kayla Hart, Administrative Assistant/Program Coordinator. Moved into a new office space in early January. The office space has received new paint and will contain a small conference meeting room for Foundation and Association use. The new office space is in the same building as before, just down the hall.

Next Meeting Date & Location:

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 3:30 pm. via Microsoft Teams

Announcements:

Anderson thanked everyone for making motions, discussing and coming prepared with their district reports to complete the hard work. Be sure to keep the discussion open with your district regarding spring events and state convention.

Adjourn:

Due to no further business, meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm.