**ND FFA Association Board of Directors Minutes**

November 28, 2018 Meeting 4:15 PM Special Web Based Meeting via Zoom Meeting

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**Standing Committees:**

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| Written Applications | Brian Schneider, Dan Spellerberg, Lane Moellenkamp, Brianna Maddock, Lucas Rath, Cassidy Walth |
| CDEs | David Leier, Mike Kamrath, Lance VanBerkom, Brent Arndt, Caleb Boehm, Jacy Hauge, Morgan Krizan, Craig Kleven  |
| Finance & Events/Activities  | Julie Woodbury, Tam Maddock, Billie Lentz, Aaron Anderson |

The special meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 4:24 pm.

Brent Arndt was absent. One guest was present, Jacob Dailey, student teacher at Napoleon.

**Secretaries Report:**

None

**Treasurer’s Report:**

None

**Standing Committee Reports:**

Anderson recognized that the CDE committee has spent some time working on the winter CDEs. The committee has proposed changes to the Agronomy and Livestock Winter CDEs. Major changes occur every three years according to the policy guide and need to be implemented by December 1, 2018, hence the reason for the special meeting. The committee provided a report and motion by email a week prior to the meeting on November 21, 2018.

David Leier moved to accept the Winter CDE proposed changes. Brendt Arndt, second the motion.

CDE Committee

Winter CDE Proposed Changes for Agronomy and Livestock

**Proposed Agronomy CDE Changes: Effective for the 2020 State Agronomy CDE**

1. **Weed List Changes:**
2. Remove the following from the current ND weed list. (6 total)
3. Erect Knotweed
4. Gumweed
5. Pennsylvania Smartweed (is smartweed on the national CDE list)
6. Prostrate Knotweed (is on the national CDE list)
7. Prostate Pigweed
8. Wild Rose
9. Add the following weeds for plant and seed identification. *May need to adjust for 2020 whether the weed is plant id only, seed id only, or both. This would be after a year of gathering resources and decided by December 1, 2019 (7 total)*
10. Downy Brome (national CDE list)
11. Japanese Brome
12. Horseweed (Marestail) (NDSU Weed of the Year 2017) (national CDE list)
13. Waterhemp (NDSU Weed of the Year 2012)
14. Palmer Amaranth (NDSU Weed of the Year 2014 & 2015)
15. Biennial Wormwood
16. Dandelion (NDSU Weed of the Year 2009) (national CDE list)
17. Weed plant identification can be with pictures or mounts.
18. **Insect List Changes:**
19. Adopt the National CDE Insect list and keep Wheat Stem Sawfly on the list.

The ND list contains 31 insects. Nationals 39. 30 of ND’s are on the national list. Wheat Stem Sawfly is ND specific. The ND list does not separate Blister Beetle into Larvae and Adult, but nationals does.

National list differs with the additional insects:

1. Assassin bug

2. Blister Beetle (larvae)

3. Blister Beetle (adult)

4. Boll Weevil

5. Chinch bug

6. Leaf skeletonzier

7. Mexican bean beetle

8. Pink bollworm larvae

9. Spittlebug

10. Spotted cucumber/Southern corn rootworm beetle

**Proposed Livestock CDE Changes: Effective for the 2019 Livestock CDE:**

1. **Decrease the non-reason judging time from 12 minutes to 7.5 minutes.**
	1. Decrease 4.5 minutes per class for a total of 13.5 minutes (three classes).
2. **Add a meat goat non-reasons class. Class could be breeding or market, subject to availability of stock.**
	1. This is part of the national CDE and goats are now more common in ND.

Woodbury moved for division of the question into agronomy and livestock CDE proposed changes. Agronomy to be discussed first and livestock second. Schneider second the motion, motion passed.

There was lots of discussion prior to the meeting by email regarding the proposed changes. There was also lots of discussion provided during the zoom meeting pertaining to weeds and insects that should or should not be on the list. Bruce Bachmeier was shared the proposed changes and provided feedback, plus he had suggestions to the team event. The board worked on the weed list one weed at a time.

Woodbury moved to amend the main motion pertaining to the agronomy section with the following amended changes for the agronomy CDE. Spellerberg second the amendment. Amendment passed.

**Agronomy CDE Changes: Effective for the 2020 State Agronomy CDE**

1. **Weed List Changes:**
2. Remove the following from the current ND weed list.
3. Gumweed
4. Pennsylvania from Smartweed (Smartweed is on the national CDE list)
5. Wild Rose
6. Add the following weeds for plant and seed identification.  *May need to adjust for 2020 whether the weed is plant id only, seed id only, or both.  This would be after a year of gathering resources and decided by December 1, 2019.*
7. Downy Brome (national CDE list)
8. Marestail (NDSU Weed of the Year 2017) (national CDE list)
9. Waterhemp (NDSU Weed of the Year 2012)
10. Biennial Wormwood
11. Dandelion (NDSU Weed of the Year 2009) (national CDE list)
12. Weed plant identification can be with pictures or mounts.

With the switch to pictures or mounts, all weed plants on the official list will be used for plant identification.

A vote was taken on the main agronomy motion as amended. Motion passed as amended.

Discussion on the main motion pertaining to the proposed livestock agronomy CDE was held. There was lots of discussion regarding the pros and cons of reducing the time for nonreason judging classes and adding goats.

Moellenkamp moved to amend the main livestock CDE motion by striking out the proposed time change and keep the proposed language to add a meat goat non-reasons class that could be a breeding or market class, subject to the availability of stock. Woodbury second the amendment. Amendment passed.

A vote was taken on the main livestock motion as amended. Motion passed as amended.

More discussion was held on the Written Test verses a Team Event for the agronomy CDE. The board felt it was best to work on this item over the next three years and minimize the amount of changes for now. Additionally, there is not enough time to evaluate and implement a change of that size now. Members will consult with Bruce Bachmeier and others to review this for future years.

Anderson and Kleven thanked everyone for their hard work and time commitment while working on the winter CDE changes.

Due to no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:47 pm.