

ND FFA Association Board of Directors Agenda

August 4th, 2024 2:00 pm CST

Location: 15th Floor Conference Room – State Capitol & Microsoft Teams

Members/Directors:

Nikki Fideldy-Doll, State Advisor	Callahan Lemar, Dist. 4	Mariah Lovro, FFA President
Darin Spelhaug, State Exec. Secretary	Jeff Bjugstad, Dist. 5	Teagan Erbele, FFA Secretary
Laiken DeMorrett, FFA Foundation	Missy Hansen, Dist. 6	Bailey Urlacher, FFA Vice President
Jeremy Carkuff, Dist. 1	Bill Zingg, Dist. 7	Anna Palmer, FFA Treasurer
Amanda Huettl, Dist. 2	Colbey Steeke, Dist. 8	Joe Lindberg, FFA Reporter
JoDee Free, Dist. 3		Dawsyn Malkowski, FFA Sentinel
		Grant Anderson, FFA Parliamentarian

Officers:

President	Nikki Fideldy-Doll
Vice President	David Leier
Secretary	Darin Spelhaug
Treasurer	JoDee Free

Standing Committees:

Written Applications & SAE	Darin Spelhaug Bill Zingg, Missy Hansen & Joe Lindberg
CDE	Darin Spelhaug, Jeremy Carkuff, Callahan Lemar, Teagan Erbele & Grant Anderson
Finance	Nikki Fideldy-Doll, Laiken DeMorrett, JoDee Free
Events/Activities	Nikki Fideldy-Doll, Jeff Bjugstad, Amanda Huettl, Bailey Urlacher & Dawsyn Malkowski
Policy	Nikki Fideldy-Doll, Darin Spelhaug, Colbey Steeke, & Mariah Lovro

- a. Call Meeting to Order at 2:00 PM CST
- b. Roll Call
- c. Secretary's Minutes 6.7.2024
- d. Treasurer's Report: Fideldy-Doll
 - a. Net worth 2023-2024
 - b. Category Report: 23-24 and 24- to date

- c. Aged Debtor Report
- d. 2024 State Convention Report
- e. 2024 NDSF Report
- e. State Officer Report: Mariah Lovro
 - a. Summit Review: Lovro/ Fldeldy-Doll
- f. FFA Foundation Report: DeMorrett
- g. Standing Committee Reports
 - a. **Written Applications & SAE:** State Degree Handbook, State Star Application, Proficiency Awards
 - b. **CDE:** Food Science, Land Judging Card, Tractor Driving
 - c. **Finance:** ND FFA Membership Dues Proposal
 - d. **Events/Activities:** District Leadership
 - e. **Policy:** Board of Directors Policy Manual, General Rules & CDE/LDE Rules, Constitution and Bylaws, Deadline change for LDE changes
 - f. **2024 ND FFA State Convention Delegate Committee Reports:**
 - i. The Auditing Committee recommend that state dues remain at \$6 for 2024-2025 year. We also recommend that chapters continue to look into affiliation models and how we can achieve it by the year 2027 goal.
 - ii. The FFA Week Interactions Committee recommends that the association makes it easier to request State Officers and increases the advertising they do about State Officer Visits. The committee would like to see the FFA Week Implementation Guide sent to the chapter officers instead of just to advisors. Overall, finding ways to make sharing chapter FFA Week activities easier and more visible to others as well.
 - iii. The Non-Competitive Events Committee suggests the following actions: That marketing is increased for FFA camp, there are regional buses to help students get to camp, and to add CDE and speaker workshops to the schedule. For the Fall Leadership Conference, we would recommend diversifying speakers, and adjust the time held to allow younger members to have time to sign up. Lastly, additionally Non-Competitive Events for members to try contests informally with activities and other noncompetitive events.

- iv. The action recommended by the SAE Recognition & Promotion committee is as follows: Have the state association request two members from different chapters nominate a member to spotlight Supervised Agricultural Experiences on social media each week. Create testimonial videos or slides from previous grant recipients to display at events such as Fall Leadership. Add a beginner and advanced division to Supervised Agricultural Experiences, so that participants can be recognized or awarded for their hard work, and not be overshadowed by older and more developed SAE's.
- v. The State Officer Interactions committee came to the conclusion that they would like to recommend the following actions: Create a drop-down or suggestion box on the state officer request form where advisors can choose a workshop or activity that state officers can do at a chapter visit, or create a state officer request form for members of the public and post the link to the state officer request form on social media to better inform the members on what is available. Post information on topics that state officers have developed workshops for, and when advisors want a certain workshop to be given, they have the option to request the officer that facilitates that workshop. Add a virtual option for state officer visits or have state officers reach out to chapters that have not been visited. Give more information to advisors on how to request a state officer and what state officers might do at a chapter visit.
- vi. The State Program of Activities Committee recommends that examples/templates for chapter Program of Activities to be created, tutorials on how to fill out the POA on AET, reports on the success or failure of State POA activities be provided to the State Program of Activities Committee in the future, and star chapter awards to recognize good POA's in the state.
- vii. The Transparent Communication Committee recommends first that an effort be made to make the ND FFA Website easier to navigate for students, with a worksheet made available to teach younger members where information can be located within the webpage. A second recommendation was made, suggesting that the FFA Association utilize the Remind app, to connect with chapter presidents rather than having all information passed through advisors.

h. Old Business

- a. Other
- i. New Business
 - a. Standing Committee Action Items
 - i. Written Applications & SAE
 - ii. CDE
 - iii. Finance
 - iv. Events/Activities
 - v. Policy
 - 1. The Policy Committee would like to recommend that there is a change in the Board of Directors policy manual to include that the third state staff position would serve as a non-voting member of the board. They would take minutes and organize committee work.
 - 2. The Policy Committee would like to recommend that any additional Agricultural Education staff will also serve as non-voting members.
 - b. FFA Board Officer Elections & Committee Assignments: Fideldy-Doll
 - c. NDSF Review: Spelhaug
 - d. Land Judging Review: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - e. Range Judging: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - f. Leadership Conference: Fideldy-Doll
 - g. CTE Professional Development Conference: Fideldy-Doll/Spelhaug
 - h. Special Committee for Screening Committee
 - i. Other
- j. Next Meeting
 - a. November – Time and date TBD
 - b. State Capitol—15th Floor Conference Room
 - c. Committee work will need to occur prior to meeting.
- k. Announcements
- l. Adjourn