# Pennsylvania FFA Board of Directors Approved Minutes - February 28, 2014 PSU – Ferguson Building

- President Toevs called the meeting to order at 6:40pm. In attendance were: Chris Toevs, Stephen Winklosky, Deidra Bollinger, Lena Bioni, Kayla Wallace, Austin Shay, Gretchen Dingman, Ellen Aurand, Mike Clark, David Steinfelt, Sherisa Nailor (Alumni), Daniel Foster (PSU), Cliff Wallace (PAAE), Mark Lowery (Foundation), Annette Gray, Kelly Bier, Joe Goodge, Cliff Day and Mike Brammer. Opening ceremonies were performed by the state officers.
- **Minutes presented by Mike Brammer.** Bioni/Bollinger moved to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed. Aurand/Clark moved to concur. Motion passed.
- **Financial reports and affiliation update was presented by Mike Brammer.** All reports will be filed for audit.
- **Deidra Bollinger presented the State Officers** activity report since the last Board meeting.
- **FFA Foundation report** was presented by Mark Lowery. Selection of new Executive Director is coming soon. Farm Show report presented. July 24<sup>th</sup> Golf outing. Several board openings.
- **FFA Alumni report was** provided by Sherisa Nailor. Jackets presented at Mid-Winter, WLC scholarships Gold Toe SOCS were items updated. Next meeting will be at SLLC.
- **PDA report** Mike Brammer updated the Board on the new Director, Mike Waugh and the dates for 2015, January 10-17.
- **PSU report was provided** by Daniel Foster. Subjects covered; Korea trip, Teach Ag Essay, 17 students teachers out now, next year could be 22. New program Teach Ag Side Kicks.
- Cliff Day presented the PDE report. Farn Show update AG Science fair update (Would like to invite the state winners to set up at Activities Week No objections noted) Openings on the FFA Board will be advertised (North and East)
- **PAAE report was provided by** Cliff Wallace. July 7-10 summer conference at Derry. Housing will be \$118. Registration will be \$300 Need VP for the East and South Central.

#### REGIONAL COORDINATORS

Ron Frederick provided a written report presented by Gretchen Dingman. Question asked if a refund was in order to those chapters who did not make it to ACES because of weather? Nailor/Steinfelt moved to allow the Executive Manager and Adult Treasurer determine if a refund can be made depending on hotel credit for those who could not attend due to weather. Motion passed. Winklosky/Bollinger moved to concur. Motion passed.

East CDE's – April 8 – Speaking and spring CDE day, May 1

**Gray** – Northern Region – CDE day April 24. Helped at record book contest and at Mid-Winter

**Bier** – March 28 – Opening Ceremony contest for the area. April 29 – Regional CDE's **Goodge** – April 23 – Regional CDE's – WPLC July 17-18

- Activities Week Mr. Day reported CDE chairs are needed in Floriculture and Marketing Plan. Jonathan Seaman and Kristin Smeltzer will be PSU contacts this year for Activities Week. Brammer asked about offering a t-shirt to sell with registration. No objections noted. Bier will check on flood lighting at Ag Arena. Working with PSU to secure dates for 2015.
- Dress Code policy for 2014 CDE's at Activities Week Sherisa Nailor Toevs/Aurand moved to accept the new dress code policy for Activities Week as presented with Nailor having the last couple of CDE's filled in. Motion passed. Bollinger/Shay moved to concur. Motion passed.
- **Record Book Contest Update** Written report from Mr. Frederick presented by Gretchen Dingman.
- ACES review was provided by Deidra Bollinger.
- **SLLC update was** provided by Austin Shay. 463 registered. Sponsors are: Columbia Gas, AG Choice Farm Credit, PA Farm Bureau

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **Affiliation incentives Ellen Aurand** Discussion on AET, Jackets and 10% discounts. Lowery/Aurand moved to have the affiliation committee meet to define the 2014-15 benefits. Motion passed. Shay/Bollinger moved to concur. Motion passed.
- National Delegates Expecting to have additional National Delegates, Kayla Wallace/Winklosky moved to have as a temporary procedure in selecting additional National Delegates ALL Past State Officers who are eligible and available apply to the Executive Manager who will choose however many we need from a random drawing. Motion Passed. Nailor/Clark moved to concur. Motion passed.

#### Delegate Issue from 2013

- Create a regional/State SAE/Record Book tutoring session *On behalf of the team, Bollinger recommended no action to be taken at this time on this matter.*
- Bring in outside people to chair CDE's On behalf of the team, Bioni recommended allowing outside people to serve on CDE committees. The board should explore options with where/how these individuals are found and selected. Clark/Nailor moved to amend by striking out the words "outside people" and inserting Industry Representatives & University Personnel. Motion Passed. Wallace/Steinfelt moved to concur. Motion passed.
- Allow 10<sup>th</sup> Grade students to participate in the Creed CDE On behalf of the team, Shay recommends no action to be taken on this issue.
- Create a Novice Parli-Pro Event On behalf of the team, Toevs recommends the FFA Board create a novice Parli-Pro CDE that coincides with the rules of the SAEP National Competition held at the National FFA Convention. We suggest a committee be formed to work out the details of this CDE. Motion passed. Steinfelt/Wallace moved to concur. Motion Passed. Committee members are: Foster, Clark, Toevs Report back by the August 2014 meeting.

Create a showing and fitting livestock conference – On behalf of the team,
Winklosky recommended a committee be formed to explore this recommendation
and report back on the feasibility of such a conference. Motion Passed.
Nailor/Steinfelt moved to concur. Motion passed. Committee members are:
Bollinger, Chair, Winklosky, Bollinger, Steinfelt, and Lowery. Report due by
the May 2014 meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Winklosky/Shay moved to allow CDE teams to be made up of multiple chapter members. Motion Passed. NO CONCURING ACTION – Motion is dead.

**Photo Release forms** was discussed. Suggested we add wordage to the Authorization Form. No other action at this time.

**2015 ACES and SLLC dates announced** – Feb 14-15, 21-22 and 28-March 1 – SLLC March 15-17

## **Announcements:**

• Next Board meeting will be May 9, 2014 at PDA in Harrisburg – 6:30pm

Closing ceremonies were performed and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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