

ND FFA Association Board of Directors Minutes

August 4, 2019: CDE Committee: Meeting at 2:00 pm – Board Meeting at 3:00 pm
Picasso Room at the Radisson Inn, Bismarck

Members/Directors:

Aaron Anderson, State Advisor	Brent Arndt, Dist. 4	Christina Bingham, FFA Secretary
Craig Kleven, State Exec. Sec.	Breana Bregel, Dist. 5	Anna Stopplesworth, FFA Vice President
Thomas Winders, FFA Foundation	Brian Schneider, Dist. 6	Mikayla Wolfe, FFA Treasurer
Ben Curdy, Dist. 1	Mike Kamrath, Dist. 7	Cole Turchin, FFA Reporter
Lance Van Berkom, Dist. 2	David Leier, Dist. 8	Madeliene Nichols, FFA Sentinel
Kasey Okke, Dist. 3	Benjamin Van Berkom, FFA President	Hannah Remington, FFA Parliamentarian

Officers:

President	Aaron Anderson
Vice President	Brian Schneider
Secretary	Craig Kleven
Treasurer	Open

Standing Committees:

Written Applications	Brian Schneider, Five Open Spots
CDEs	David Leier, Mike Kamrath, Lance VanBerkom, Brent Arndt, Craig Kleven, Three Open Spots
Finance & Events/Activities	Aaron Anderson, Three Open Spots

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 3:00 pm.

Introductions of board members.

Kleven asked for agenda additions. Added to new business was Land Judging & Maddock Officer Retreat.

Secretary's Report:

The secretary's minutes were reviewed. Kamrath moved, B. Van Berkom seconded to approve the minutes from 6.07.19 meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: As of 7/30/2019

Checking: \$239,831.76 Savings: \$ 52,431.64 Investment: \$161,090.65 Accounts Receivable: \$71,525.30
The large checking account balance is from state convention registrations from chapters. The NDSU bill from state convention was just received and has not been paid.

Aged Debtor's List: All of the accounts receivable is less than 45 days.

Leier moved, Turchin seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

State Officer Report:

President B. Van Berkom reported on the team activities since taking office. Arrived in Bismarck the week after state convention for CTSO and Basecamp Training. Checkpoint One occurred the last week of June in Bismarck and focused on workshop development and facilitation. Arrived on Wednesday before the NDSF to help with project setup, participated in the NDSF parade, interactive display, and livestock shows. B. Van Berkom and Bingham traveled to Washington DC and participated in the State Officer Summit. Learned

about advocacy, met congressional delegation, and participated in FFA committee delegate work for National FFA Convention. Land Judging in Harvey and the next day went to Maddock officer retreat.

Standing Committee Reports:

CDE Committee: Kleven provided the report from the 2:00 pm meeting. (The committee minutes begin on page four of this document). Arndt moved to accept the CDE committee report. B. VanBerkom seconded the motion. Motion passed. Report approved and adopted.

Finance & Events Activities: Committee was not established to meet. No report. The annual audit will occur during the fall meeting.

Old Business:

a. Edward Jones Investment Accounts:

Anderson shared and reviewed a financial document provided by Edward Jones Financial Advisor, Dylan B. Zubke. Proposals at 60/40 or 70/30 in Total Fixed Income v. Total Equity. Consider investing an additional 53,000 from savings. B. Van Berkom Moved to invest \$53,000 from savings into the current investment at a 70/30 split according the Zubke's proposal. Schneider second the motion. Motion passed. Schneider asked what is the long-term vision of the investment accounts? Board will visit with their districts about ideas and visions.

b. FFA Camp:

Anderson and Kleven explored facilities, options and costs over the past winter. Over the last three months there has not been the man power to coordinate the curriculum and facilitation of an FFA camp by Anderson and Kleven. In order to host an FFA camp, ND FFA would need to find someone to a coordinate the curriculum and facilitate/manage the camp.

L. Van Berkom moved to form a camp committee of five people. B. Van Berkom second. Discussion was that some teachers maybe interested in helping and are not part of the board. Open it up to the rest of the teachers. Form a committee and ask for people to join the committee during the week of PDC. Discuss and present the committee work at the next board meeting. Motion passed. L. Van Berkom, Curdy, B. Van Berkom volunteered. L. Van Berkom provided a list of members during Thursday of PDC: Ben Curdy, Jason Mongeon, Leah Kessler, Casey Muscha, Ashley Bachmeier, Colby Hennessy, Joel Brandvold, Gary Wald, Lance Van Berkom, Ben Van Berkom

New Business:

a. NDSF Review

Reports from superintendents after judging and the Round Robin went well and had meaningful discussions to for show adjustments and improvements. Judging on Thursday went well. Kleven will explore a computer entry program for all exhibits and printing of exhibit tags. Need to evaluate points system and tractor driving as part of the CDE committee review. Interactive Programming: Very positive interaction and promotion of CTE, Agricultural Education and FFA. Only two chapters participated this year. Anderson, Kleven, and state officers showcased the high technology consortium equipment each day from 12:00-5:00pm.

b. Winter Leadership Conference:

360° curriculum will be different, and a new name is needed. One large room for the conference with two experienced facilitators from "Your Next Speaker". The new conference will focus on students who are considering running for state office.

Bingham moved to change the name of 360° to "Blue Conference" and the new conference for those interested in becoming a state officer be named "Gold Conference". Turchin second the motion. Motion passed.

c. Board Officer Elections/Committees:

Anderson handed out the ND FFA Association Board of Directors Policy Manual and reviewed it with the board.

Vice President: Leier nominated Schneider. L. Van Berkom moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Kamrath seconded the motion. Motion passed

Treasurer: Kamrath was nominated. Leier moved to cease nomination and cast a unanimous ballot. Schneider second the motion. Motion passed.

Policy Committee: Appointed by the By-Laws: Anderson, Kleven, B. Van Berkom, Schneider, Kamrath

Finance Committee: Appointed by the By-Laws: Anderson, Wolfe, Winders, Kamrath

Events/Activities Committee: Stoppeworth, Remington, B. Van Berkom, Arndt, Anderson

CDE Committee: Leier, L. Van Berkom, Bregel, Bingham, Nichols, Kleven

Written Applications & SAE Committee: Okke, Schneider, Turchin, B. Van Berkom

d. Student Accommodations:

Woodbury, before ending her term on the board, asked what the policy is for student accommodations in CDE/LDE events. At the June state FFA convention, a student participated with an IEP that included needing tests read to them. The concern is that the teacher read the test to their own student and the CDE superintendent did not know this was going to occur. Is the ND FFA Association required to follow IEP's? Parent's need to provide approval to release a student's IEP information. Anderson provided information gathered from Georgia, Texas, Minnesota (draft stages), Iowa, Florida, National FFA. ND FFA must be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Do we adopt National FFA's policy? Idaho requires a special application to fill out for requesting special accommodations. Leier moved to refer the topic to the policy committee to research and report at the next meeting. Stoppeworth second the motion. Motion passed.

e. Board Report to agricultural education teachers on Thursday of PDC: Schneider

f. Land Judging:

People liked Harvey as a somewhat central location in the state. Numbers are small but meets the continuation of events. 39 FFA and 26 4-H members. Do we place on the same day as Range Judging? One in the Morning and the other in the afternoon? Land Judging: Harder to get kids to a summer event. Board members will have conversations with their districts as ways to increase land and range judging participation.

g. Maddock Officer Retreat: Numbers are really small. Do we limit the state officers attending? Is it a good investment from the perspective of financial resources and time? Maddock is laid back like a camp and is a great way for state officers to network and plan their first event on a small scale. FFA members are busier than ever and it makes it hard to get an entire officer team together, especially that weekend.

Range Judging Card: Anderson reported Judging Card is no longer going to provide range cards at the current cost. It will be a \$1,000.00 investment into Range judging. 90 kids participate annual. No action taken.

FFA Foundation Report:

Winders started on August 1. Bachelor's at SDSU and master's at University of Lincoln, Nebraska. Winders noted that Andrew Young wants to see more individual member accomplishments shared with the ND FFA Foundation so that he can share through social media.

Next Meeting Date & Location:

Tentatively, November 22, 2019. 2:00 pm start in Bismarck.

Leier moved to adjourn, Bingham seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:44 pm.

CDE Committee Meeting Minutes: Members met from 2:02-2:50 pm.

Refer back to the June 7, 2019 CDE meeting minutes. These items were reviewed, and additional items added below.

Milk Quality & Products:

Real concern about bringing back Real and Artificial Products; Dairy VS Non-Dairy (this was suggested to align with Nationals). Really hard to tell the difference and no way to tell the difference. Nationals added it in 2017. 2021 is the revaluation for nationals. Visit with the superintendents about time and logistics for this. Any time we can make an event look like nationals, it is better for the students.

Meats Evaluation & Technology:

Retail Cut ID 30 to 40. Room and Space is the issue, not enough room for more than 30. Maybe need to have short workshop with teachers on how to fill out a meat judging card.

Small Animal Care:

Keep small animal and add veterinary science?

Keep small animal because it is the largest event.

Should not restrict it to a specific age group.

Add veterinary science: Need a superintendent and committee to develop the event for ND. Visit with NDSU faculty.

Dairy Cattle & Dairy Handlers:

Does the NDSF have a qualifying event for dairy handlers? Does Monday include a qualifying event for Tuesday during the cattle judging?

Register with two divisions. Beginners and Advanced? Then conduct separate events on Tuesday for dairy handlers?

Food Science & Technology:

Seems to be fine.

Horse Evaluation & Selection:

No team test and implement an ID practicum to mirror nationals. Hold the event around April 7.

NDSF:

Research about ShoWorks and Fairy Entry for the entry of all exhibits. Superintendent meetings went well along with judging of statics on Thursday. Need to review the points system and tractor driving.