

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION

Kansas City, Missouri
October 14, 1968

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A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Future Farmers of America Foundation was held in Room M-4 of the Hotel President, in Kansas City, Missouri, October 14, 1968. The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, President of the Board. Those present, in addition to Mr. Hunsicker, included:

H. W. Gadda, Teacher Trainer, Agricultural Education, South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota;
G. W. Lange, State Director of Agricultural Education, Trenton, New Jersey;
C. H. Moore, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, Phoenix, Arizona;
O. L. Snowden, Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Education, Mississippi State University, State College, Mississippi;
J. M. Campbell, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education - and Treasurer of the FFA Foundation, Richmond, Virginia;
G. R. Cochran, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, St. Paul, Minnesota;
J. C. Fink, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania;
V. B. Hairr, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Raleigh, North Carolina;
D. E. Wilson, Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Education, Sacramento, California;
* H. E. Edwards, Program Officer, Office of Education, Chicago, Illinois;
J. W. Lacey, Program Officer, Office of Education, Denver, Colorado;
B. F. Rawls, Program Officer, Office of Education, Kansas City, Missouri;
J. W. Warren, Program Officer, Office of Education, Charlottesville, Virginia;
W. P. Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary, Office of Education, Washington, D.C.

The President stated that this meeting had been called chiefly to discuss important matters which will affect the Foundation, as well as the FFA.

REVIEW OF FFA FOUNDATION AWARDS PROGRAM -- A brief discussion was held on the Awards Program of the FFA Foundation, and the President referred to action taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting in July, 1968, namely, that the President of the Board be authorized to appoint a committee of not less than three, nor more than five, persons to serve as a Task Force to study the matter of providing incentives to further stimulate participation in the National Foundation Awards Program, and be prepared to report at the next Board meeting. In line with this action, the President appointed, as members of this Committee, Messrs. Foltz (Chairman), Campbell, Hairr, Warren, and Wilson. It was agreed that they would meet in Washington, D.C. on January 19, 1969.

* Served as alternate for Mr. Taft

SELECTION OF NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS -- The President led a discussion on the advisability of selecting all National winners of Foundation awards in Kansas City, at the time of the National FFA Convention, rather than in Washington, D.C. This suggestion was made during the recent judging of awards in Washington, D.C. It would enable the judges to attend the convention and observe the awards ceremonies.

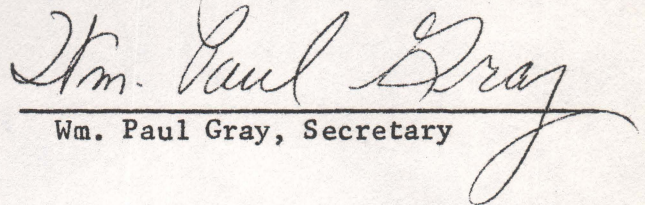
Certain opposition to this plan was expressed. One of the chief objections was that it would be impossible to prepare advance press releases in sufficient time to be effective.

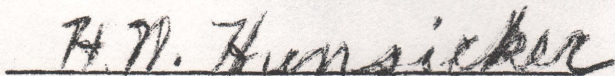
MOTION -- It was moved by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried, that the present method of selecting National award winners, in Washington, D.C., be continued.

CONSIDERATION OF MAJOR CHANGES IN OPERATION OF THE SPONSORING COMMITTEE AND THE FFA FOUNDATION -- AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO THE FFA ORGANIZATION -- A discussion was held on possible changes in the operation of the FFA Foundation. This includes possible pending action by the Executive Council of the Sponsoring Committee, to incorporate, in order that they may employ an Executive Secretary to supplement the work of the Chairman, but not to replace him. No Board action was considered necessary at this time.

STATUS OF FOUNDATION APPLICATION FORMS -- Mr. Foltz and Mr. Gray gave brief reports on revisions being made in Foundation application forms. Major changes are being made in the two Agricultural Proficiency Award application forms. Minor changes have been made in the Chapter and Safety Award forms. The American Farmer Degree Application has been modified. There are no changes in the rules and regulations for Public Speaking. The forms are being printed in quantities to meet the demand for one year, only, to make sure no further changes are required -- then, they will be prepared for three-year periods.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.


Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary


H. N. Hunsicker, President