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National Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors
Washington, D.C.
January 28 - 29, 1960

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MINUTES
JOINT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BOARDS OF STUDENT OFFICERS
AND DIRECTORS OF THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Washington, D.C.
Jan. 28-29, 1960

January 28, 1960

The meeting of the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors of the Future Farmers of America was called to order at 9:15 a.m., in the offices of the Agricultural Education Branch, U. S. Office of Education, by Dr. W. T. Spanton, Chairman. Board members present, in addition to Dr. Spanton, included:

Board of Directors

Mr. George F. Sullards, State Director of Vocational Agriculture, State Department of Education, Little Rock, Arkansas;
Mr. Byron J. McMahon, Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Education, Sacramento, California;
Mr. Walter Jacoby, Consultant, Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Hartford, Connecticut;
Mr. Harold B. Taylor, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, State Department of Public Instruction, Indianapolis, Indiana;
Mr. E. J. Johnson; Mr. R. E. Naugher, and Mr. Harold F. Duis, all of the Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

Mr. H. N. Hunsicker, Office of Education, Washington, D. C., was ill and unable to be present.

Board of Student Officers

Jim Thomas, National FFA President, Patterson, Georgia;
Kenney Earl Gray, National FFA Student Secretary, Dorsey, Mississippi;
Joe H. Hughes, Jr., National FFA Vice President, Duncan, South Carolina;
Richard Poor, National FFA Vice President, Neosho, Missouri;
Dean Hoffer, National FFA Vice President, Manheim, Pennsylvania;

Jack Crews, National FFA Vice President, Cheyenne, Wyoming, was ill and unable to be present.

Mr. Wm. Paul Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary, and Mr. R. E. Bass, National FFA Treasurer, were also present.

Correction -
October Board
Minutes

The first item of business concerned an error in the Minutes of the October, 1959, meeting of the Boards. Page 8, paragraph 4, under review of award forms which reads as follows:

"Mr. Gray reported that 1,000 copies of a new form covering the program of the National Chapter Award have been sent to the States, to conduct a trial run. If this form proves satisfactory, it will be used next year."

This should be changed to read as follows:

"Mr. Gray reported that 1,000 copies of a new form covering the program of the National Chapter Award will be sent to the States, to conduct a trial run. If this form proves satisfactory, it will be used next year."

Approval of
Previous Minutes
As Corrected

It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and that the minutes, as corrected, be accepted. It was moved by Mr. Sullards, seconded by Mr. McMahon and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Report of
National
Treasurer

Copies of the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures of the Future Farmers of America for the six-month period from July 1, 1959 through December 31, 1959 were distributed by Mrs. Pauline D. Coiner, Secretary to the National FFA Treasurer. This statement was reviewed in detail.

Treasurer's
Report
Accepted

It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Richard Poor and carried that the report of the National Treasurer be accepted. It was moved by Mr. Sullards, seconded by Mr. McMahon and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Reports of
Regional
Representatives

Dr. Spanton called for reports from the four regional representatives on the Board concerning any matters they wished to present from their respective regions.

Mr. Sullards reported that Georgia suggested the following changes be made on the present score card of the National Public Speaking Contest form:

1. That if the majority of judges select a boy as first-place winner then their selection should take precedence over the present low-point system.
2. That one judge from each region be selected.
3. That the National Organization determine the equipment to be used at the regional and tri-regional public speaking contests.

Rules in the
Public Speaking
Contest Remain
the Same

It was pointed out that these Public Speaking forms have already been printed for a three-year period, which will run through 1962. However, a lengthy discussion took place regarding these proposed revisions, and it was moved by Richard Poor, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that no major change in the rules of the National Public Speaking Contest be made on the present form.

It was moved by Mr. Jacoby, seconded by Mr. McMahon and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

After further discussion, it was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that if the majority of judges select a contestant as first-place winner, then their choice should take precedence over the low-point system.

It was moved by Mr. Sullards, seconded by Mr. Naugher to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers, but the motion did not carry.

X | It was the general feeling of both the Boards that all four regional representatives on the Board of Directors should be present when the final score for each contestant is computed.

Mr. Taylor reported that North Dakota urged that the National FFA Chorus be continued, and thought that it would be a serious mistake to discontinue the Chorus.

Mr. Taylor also reported that Kansas suggested that we invite representatives of Secondary School Associations to attend the convention, so that they might take back a favorable report, which might offset the criticism we are now getting for holding the convention during the school year.

Report on
Official FFA
Calendar

Mr. Howard Carter, who heads the magazine's calendar department, gave a favorable report on the official FFA calendar, and stated that sales are steadily increasing. He presented some pencilled sketches of suggested calendar covers for the 1962 FFA calendar, and asked for suggestions from the Boards. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that a "bank scene" be used as the 1962 calendar cover. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Mr. McMahon suggested that sometime in the future consideration be given to a calendar cover carrying the picture of an FFA member shaking hands with the President of the United States.

Authorization
Given to
Renegotiate
Contract for
Printing of FFA
Calendars

Mr. Carter requested permission to send out bids for a new printing contract on the FFA Calendar. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that authorization be given Mr. Carter to renegotiate a contract for the printing of the FFA Calendars. It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. McMahon and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

New Desk
Calendar
Approved

Mr. Carter presented an attractive desk calendar to the Boards for their approval. He felt that the desk calendar should be tried on a limited basis at first--to State Associations--and that if enough interest was shown on the State level then add it to the calendar line for purchase by local chapters. It was moved by Dean Hoffer, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that the Board of Student Officers accept the recommendation of Mr. Carter to add the desk calendar, on a limited basis, to the present line of calendars. It was moved by Mr. Jacoby, seconded by Mr. Naugher and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

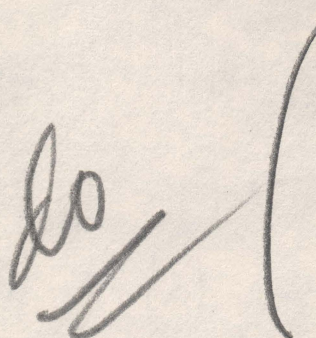
Mr. Jacoby stated that the Vermont Association requested that the cost on these new desk calendars be kept as low as possible.

Official
Fund
Raising
Calendar
Contract

Reference was made to the Minutes of the January, 1957, meeting of the Boards, page 4, in regards to the "Official Fund Raising Calendar" which reads as follows:

"After considerable discussion, it was moved by James Quincey, seconded by Jerry Ringo and carried that the Custom Cal Company contract be renewed for a period of three years beginning January 1, 1958. It was then moved by Jerry Ringo, seconded by Victor Cappucci and carried that this motion be amended to read that there be a minimum of 15 per cent royalty to the State Associations and five per cent to the national organization. It was moved by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Howard and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers."

It was pointed out that the Custom Cal Company has not sent the national organization any royalties for these calendars for some time. It was moved by Joe Hughes, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that a letter be written to the Custom Cal Company in regard to this matter stating that if they are not planning to live up to this contract, that the contract will be cancelled. It was moved by Mr. Naugher, seconded by Mr. Jacoby and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.



American
Red Cross
Exhibit
Refused

A request was received from the American Red Cross to have an exhibit in the Municipal Auditorium during the National FFA Convention. Dr. Spanton pointed out that if one group were permitted to promote their particular interest, then we would be under obligation to open our door to all organizations to do likewise. On the suggestion of Dr. Spanton, it was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that regardless of its merit, we must refuse the request received from the American Red Cross. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Naugher and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Since a new director for the National FFA Chorus must be secured, the following questions were discussed. Should we have a National Chorus this year? Should we have a National Chorus at all? How large should the Chorus be?

National FFA
Chorus to be
Continued

After considerable discussion, it was moved by Richard Poor, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that we continue to have a National Chorus, but that membership not exceed more than 75 members, and that within these 75 members there be one boy from each State Association represented. The director of the Chorus will have the right to pick the rest of the members as he sees fit. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers. (Because of certain administrative problems caused by a change in Chorus Director, there will be no Chorus this year. W.T.S.)

Report on
National
Magazine

Mr. Wilson Carnes, Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, made a mid-year report on the magazine. Copies of the Balance Sheet, Statement of Income and Expense, and the Budget Analysis for a six-month period from July 1, 1959 through December 31, 1959 were distributed and reviewed.

Mr. Carnes reported that the February-March issue broke several records in the history of the magazine of which follow:

Largest circulation,
Largest number of pages of advertising,
Largest single advertisement,
Largest number of two-color advertisements and
Largest number of pages.

Mr. Carnes stated that indications show that advertising will be up this year.

Mr. Carnes requested approval from the Boards to have the Magazine copyrighted, which would cost \$24 a year. He added that it would give the magazine security, and a sense of permanency.

Copyright of
FFA Magazine
Authorized

It was moved by Joe Hughes, seconded by Richard Poor and carried that the report of Mr. Carnes be accepted and that he be authorized to have the magazine copyrighted. It was moved by Mr. Sullards, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Dr. Schuck
and Former
President Hoover
To Be Invited
To Speak at
Convention

Speakers to be invited to the National Convention this October were discussed and it was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, and former President Herbert Hoover be invited to speak at the convention. If one, or both, have already obligated themselves in some other way, permission was given to go ahead and obtain other speakers as it was deemed necessary. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

It was suggested that consideration be given in the July meeting of awarding the Honorary American Farmer Degree to Dr. Schuck.

Approval of
Pageant for
1960 Convention

Mr. Gray asked the Boards whether or not they favored having a pageant at the National Convention this year. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Dean Hoffer, seconded by Richard Poor and carried that permission be given Mr. Gray to proceed with plans for a pageant for presentation at this year's national convention. It was moved by Mr. Duis, seconded by Mr. Naugher and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

January 29, 1960

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 9:15 a.m., all members of the Boards being present.

Salary
Increases

Dr. Spanton recommended to the Boards that the annual salary of Dorothy Phillips, secretary to Mr. Gray, be increased from \$4,040 to the first step of a Grade 6 - \$4,490 retroactive to January 1, 1960. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Richard Poor and carried that the salary of Dorothy Phillips be increased to the first step of a Grade 6 - \$4,490. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Jacoby and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Dr. Spanton also recommended to the Boards that the annual salary of Veronica Horan, secretary to Mr. Farrar, be increased from \$4,640, the fifth step of a Grade 5, to the third step of a Grade 6 - \$4,790, retroactive to January 1, 1960. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that the salary of Veronica Horan be increased to \$4,790. It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Official
Appraisal of
FFA Property

Dr. Spanton gave a report on the official appraisal of real estate holdings of the FFA. The total value of the property is \$637,372.00. In connection with any legal proceedings pertaining to the sale or transfer of any part of this property, Dr. Spanton requested that the Board of Directors give him authority to sign such legal papers, as contracts of sale, deeds, etc., for the FFA. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Jacoby and carried that Dr. Spanton be given authority to sign such legal papers.

Purchase of
Pierce Chapter
FFA Emblem

Mr. Gray requested approval for the purchase of the Pierce, Nebraska, Chapter FFA Emblem. It was recommended that this request be taken up at the time of the July Board meeting.

Limiting
Number in
Attendance at
Convention

Results of a survey showed that a large majority of the States were interested in setting up limitations on numbers in attendance at the annual National FFA Convention. Following a discussion, it was moved by Richard Poor, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that attendance at the national convention be limited to five carefully selected FFA members and one advisor from each chapter in a State, with no limitation placed on the number of parents attending. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. McMahon and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

It was generally understood that this restriction would not apply to any individual local chapter member who may happen to be one of the two official State delegates to the National Convention; nor to a State officer; an American Farmer candidate; a member of an official FFA State Judging team; a member of the National FFA Band or National FFA Chorus; a contestant in the National FFA Public Speaking Contest, or a winner of a National award offered by the National FFA Foundation, nor to parents of any of these individuals.

New Award
Plaques to be
Placed in FFSS
Catalog

Mr. Hawkins showed samples of the new plaques for Honorary State Farmer and Honorary Chapter Farmer degrees, and requested that he be given authority to place these items in the Future Farmers Supply Service catalog. These plaques would be substituted for the burwood plaques now being used.

It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Richard Poor and carried that the Future Farmers Supply Service manager be given authority to place these items in the Future Farmers Supply Service catalog.

Mr. Hawkins also presented a sample of the new "State Appreciation" plaque and asked to have this item included in the Future Farmers Supply Service catalog. Purchase of same to be limited to State Associations. It was moved by Joe Hughes, seconded by Kenney Gray and carried that permission be given to place this item in the catalog and limit the purchase of same to State Associations. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried to sustain the actions of the Board of Student Officers.

Use of FFA
Emblem on
Tractor
Umbrella

Mr. Gray presented a letter received from the Troy Sunshade Company in Troy, Ohio, requesting permission to use the FFA emblem on tractor umbrellas which they would offer for sale. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that the use of the FFA emblem on tractor umbrellas be withheld. It was moved by Mr. Naugher, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Change in
Lettering on
FFA Jacket

Mr. Eli Wiggins' request to have the State name placed on the front of all FFA jackets was discussed by Mr. Hawkins. He pointed out that this additional lettering would cost the Supply Service about \$15,000 per year, and the extra charge involved would have to be passed on to the boys. It was moved by Joe Hughes, seconded by Kenney Gray and carried that the State name not be placed on the front of all FFA jackets. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Blue and Gold
Ribbon to be
Added to Honorary
American Farmer
Key when
Presented.

Mr. Hawkins advised that in response to requests that a blue and gold ribbon be added to the Honorary American Farmer key upon presentation, it could be done at a very nominal cost of about 10 to 15 cents per ribbon. It was moved by Kenney Gray, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that a blue and gold ribbon be attached to the Honorary American Farmer key. It was moved by Mr. Naugher, seconded by Mr. Jacoby and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Balfour
Contract

Mr. Hawkins advised that the jewelry contract with L. G. Balfour Company expires on September 1, 1960. This present contract has been in effect for five years.

Balfour
Contract
Continued

Mr. Hawkins recommended that we extend this contract for another five years and explained that there would be no increase in our costs. Following a discussion by the Board members, it was felt that other bids should be secured. It was moved by Jack Crews, seconded by Dean Hoffer and carried that other bids on this contract be secured to cover the entire jewelry requirements. It was moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Possible Change
in Selection of
Members of the
Nominating
Committee

Mr. Naugher pointed out that at present, a boy who serves on the nominating committee has an inside track to becoming a national officer later on. He suggested that we consider getting our nominating committee members from a selected group of American Farmer candidates whose eligibility for national office has expired, and that they be selected from a State that does not have a candidate for national office. It was recommended that action be taken on this at the July Board Meeting.

Report of the 1959
Annual Meeting of
the Special Study
Committee for
National FFA
Judging Contests

Mr. Johnson explained that the present Bulletin No. 4, "Future Farmers of America National Contests 1958, '59, '60", will be in effect until the end of the convention this fall. The new bulletin for '61, '62, and '63 should be in the hands of the printer by the first of August and available for distribution about the middle of October. He presented for review the items contained in the Report of the Special Study Committee for National FFA Judging Contests. All of the items in this report were considered, a few adopted, and others will be submitted to the States for further consideration.

National
Leadership
Training
Conference

Recommendations were made by the Student Officers that consideration be given to holding the National Leadership Training Conference this year. It was moved by Richard Poor, seconded by Joe Hughes and carried that the Board of Student Officers go on record as recommending that a National Leadership Training Conference be held this year. No action was taken by the Board of Directors.

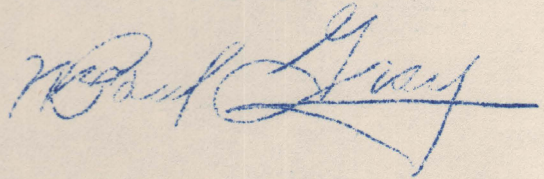
Policies Relative
to National Officer
Duties, Assignments,
Expenses and Travel

Mr. Gray reviewed a mimeographed list of policies relative to National Officer duties, assignments, expenses and travel and asked for suggestions and corrections before having these policies put in brochure form.

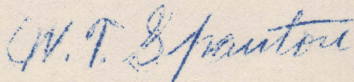
National Officer
Assignment

Dean Hoffer, National FFA Vice President, was assigned to attend the National Safety Congress in Chicago this fall.

There being no further business to come before the Boards, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.



Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary



W. T. Spanton, Chairman