

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President Hotel - Kansas City, Missouri
October 3 - 8, 1944

1. Practice opening and closing ceremony.
2. General announcements and instructions.
3. Check on hotel accommodations, railroad tickets, travel expense.
4. Miscellaneous duties and responsibilities, night work and registration.
5. Minutes of last meeting.
6. Review convention program.
7. Practice American Farmer ceremony.
8. Make plans for Officer-Delegate dinner.
 - a. Tickets, seating, guests, program, picture, delegate instructions.
9. Plan committee appointments.
10. Plan public speaking contest program.
11. Plan schedule of alternations for vice presidents.
12. Make plans for officer try outs with nominating committee.
13. Discuss pictures to be made.
14. Plan radio appearances.
15. Plan service club appearances.
16. Plans for Annual Banquet.
 - a. Seating guests.
 - b. Program.
17. Business to be presented to board;
 - a. Review recommended amendments to the constitution -
 1. 12 to 36 months.
 2. Time required for degree advancement.
 - b. Gold emblem chapters not repeat the following year.
 - c. The National F.F.A. Camp
 - d. Contracts for merchandise.
 - e. Prepare a budget for next year.
 - f. Policy on sending flowers.
 - g. Emblem and printing on scrapbook pages (Seamans, Texas)
 - h. Decal transfers
 - i. Binder for chapter records - Utah
 - j. Review National Program of Work.
 - k. Review items of business to come before the convention.
 - l. Advisability of continuing commercial dinners.
 - m. Request from Ayres of Minnesota
 - n. T shirts sold by Chapter Supply Co.

P R O G R A M

Officer-Delegate Dinner

Sunday, October 8, 6:30 p.m.

Toastmaster - President Robert Bowman

Invocation

Greetings and welcome - President Bowman

Introduction of Guests

Special numbers

1 - Reading

2 - Special music

Slides and Motion Pictures - Ralph Salzman

Announcements

Adjournment

CONVENTION BUSINESS

1. Constitutional revision.
2. Change in Chapter Contest to keep gold emblem chapters from repeating each year.
3. F.F.A. merchandise -
 - a. Reports of representatives.
 - b. F.F.A. sportshirt.
 - c. Small scrapbook - Utah
4. Revision of Scrapbook.
 - a. Additional lettering.
5. Decal transfers of F.F.A. emblems.
6. Future Farmers of America Foundation, Incorporated.
7. Employment of public relations man.
8. Advisability of the F.F.A. supporting the Foundation.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

1. Minutes of previous meeting.
2. Discuss convention plans and programs.
3. Review action taken by Board of Trustees.
4. Conference with Mr. Beatty.
5. Interpretations of the Constitution concerning American Farmer Degree.
6. National F.F.A. Camp.
7. Advisability of continuing commercial dinners.

MEETING OF STATE ADVISERS

1. Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.
2. The revised national F.F.A. Program of Work.
3. F.F.A. contests -- emphasis on judging.
4. General discussion period.

Program

Monday, October 9, 1944

9:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony
Invocation - Student Officer
Music -
Presentation of Gavel by Georgia Delegate
Report of Delegate Credentials - Byron Freeman
Roll Call of States and seating of delegates - Byron Freeman
Address of Welcome - Mayor of Kansas City, Hon. John B. Gage
Officer Reports -

President	Robert Bowman
First Vice-President	O. Beverly Roller
Second Vice-President	Ralph H. Salzman
Third Vice-President	Arthur E. Clifford
Fourth Vice-President	Robert Barthelness
Student Secretary	Byron Freeman
Treasurer	Dowell J. Howard
Executive Secretary	A. W. Tenney
Adviser	W. T. Spanton

Introduction of guests - W. T. Spanton
Read communications
Nominations for American Farmer Degree - W. T. Spanton
Appoint Constitutional Committees
1. Auditing
2. Program of Work
c. Nominating Committee
Meeting Adjournment

1:30 p.m. Call to order (omit opening ceremony)
Music
Address - Mr. Albert Goss, Master, National Grange
Special reports
1. National Camp - A. W. Tenney
Greetings from guests
Unfinished business
1. Constitutional amendments
a. 12 to 36 months
b. Time required for degree advancement
2. Decal of F.F.A. emblem
New Business
Raising members to American Farmer Degree (4:00 p.m.)
1. Present keys
Closing ceremony

Monday, October 9, 1944, Continued

8:00 p.m. - Award Night

Presiding Officer - Opening ceremony and introductory remarks
American Farmer Awards (Checks) - Charles O. Gipeon, Mid States
Steel and Wire Company
Star Farmer Awards (Checks) - W. A. Cochel, Editor, Kansas City Star
(Medal) - Star Farmer
Conferring of Honorary American Farmer Degrees by the President
Farm Mechanics Award - H. M. Bailstack
Chapter Contest Awards - D. J. Howard
J. A. Linke - W. T. Spanton
Entertainment
Closing ceremony

Tuesday, October 10, 1944

9:00 a.m.

Opening ceremony
Music or entertainment
Announcements
Reports (continued)
Unfinished business (continued)
New Business

1. 1944-45 American Farmer Application
 2. 1944-45 Star Farmer Awards
 3. 1944-45 Chapter contest rules
 4. 1944-45 Public Speaking Contest rules
 5. Official Manual
 6. Farm mechanics award
 7. 1944 Proceedings
 8. National radio programs
 9. Resolutions
 10. Official merchandise
- Special Music

Unveiling of service flag

1. Talk on service (5 minutes) Robert Bowman
2. Processional
 - a. Four service men
 - b. Play march
3. Have audience stand when service men reach flag
4. Unveil flag
5. Star Spangled Banner
6. Silent tribute to those who payed the supreme sacrifice

Music

Conferring of Honorary American Farmer Degree
Address - Hon. Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture
International Harvester - Luncheon

12:15

Tuesday, October 10, 1944 (Continued)

1:30 p.m. Appointment of committees (referred)

1. Use delegate list

Recess for committee work

Plan to be followed:

All committees to meet in the Convention Hall

No delegate is to leave the hall until after the closing ceremony

Committees to meet at a designated place in room

Committee chairmen to call for their folders at Secretary's station

Committee chairmen to have all members of committee sign the report and then turn it in at the Secretary's station.

As soon as all committees have completed their work, the Convention will go back in regular session.

National Adviser, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, and student officers to serve as members at large on all committees.

New business continued (if time permits)

Closing ceremony

5:15 p.m. Swift Banquet

8:30 p.m. Public Speaking Contest

Presiding officer

Drawing for speaking order calling up each contestant

No applause until all four have finished

Questions by the judges

What to do while judges are out

Making the awards -- checks and medals

Dismissing the audience

Wednesday, October 11, 1944

7:15 a.m. Santa Fe Breakfast - Huchlbach Hotel

9:00

Opening ceremony
Music or entertainment
Introduction of guests
Address - Ray L. Caff, Livestock Commissioner, Kansas City
Livestock Exchange

Special committee reports:

American Farmer Application 1944-45
Star Farmer Award 1944-45
Chapter Contest Rules 1944-45
Public Speaking Rules 1944-45
Official Manual
Proceedings for 1944
National radio program 1944-45
Auditing
Program of work

New business - continued

1. Greetings to Hawaii & Puerto Rico

1:30 p.m. Call to Order

Music Foundation
New Business

Presentation of Proposed Budget for 1944-45 - A. W. Tenney
Annual dues for 1944-45

Authority of Board of Trustees to edit all committee reports
Authority of Board of Trustees to take action on any unfinished
business, to have full power to act in interim between conventions.

Report of Resolutions Committee

State reports (If time permits)

Address by retiring president

Report of Nominating Committee

Election of officers

Greetings from incoming officers

Signing of scroll by new officers

Installation of new officers

Presentation of past officer pins and certificates by
incoming president

Closing ceremony by incoming officers

Joint Board of Trustees meeting (To be arranged)

6:30

Banquet given by Kansas City, Missouri, Chamber of Commerce

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL F.F.A. ADVISORY COUNCIL
AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kansas City, Missouri

October 6, 1944

The meeting was called to order by Dr. W. T. Spanton. Those present included: President Robert Bowman, 1st Vice President O. Beverley Roller, 2nd Vice President Ralph H. Sallzman, 3rd Vice President Arthur E. Clifford, 4th Vice President Robert Barthelmess, Student Secretary Byron Freeman, Treasurer Dowell J. Howard, Messrs. Clements, Pearson, Johnson, and Swanson, Regional Advisers, Messrs. Johnson, Sasman, Lowe, and Cammack, and Mr. Willard W. Beatty, Director of Education Division, Office of Indian Affairs.

The detailed program for the convention was presented and discussed.

Dr. Spanton presented information concerning the organization of the Future Farmers of America for Mr. Beatty's information.

Mr. Beatty presented briefly facts about the Indian school program. He then requested that boys in Indian schools be permitted to organize chapters and affiliate with the Future Farmers of America. He suggested that the F.F.A. constitution be changed to enable boys enrolled in schools supported by Federal funds to become members instead of limiting F.F.A. membership to schools supported by Smith-Hughes and George Deen Funds.

Mr. A. W. Johnson presented difficulties encountered in administering the program in Indian schools in Montana.

Mr. Sasman of Wisconsin explained that there had been no discrimination against Indian boys in his State. He said most of them did not come up to the standards of white boys.

It was agreed by Mr. Beatty that a memo of understanding might be prepared between State Boards of Education and the Indian Service, and they would agree to meet standards for local chapters - or not object if chapters were discontinued if standards were not met. Mr. Beatty agreed to prepare a statement clarifying this problem.

It was the sense of the group that the proper procedure would be for a State association interested in the problem to submit a proposed amendment to the national constitution.

Mr. Beatty presented the problem of Japanese Relocation Centers concerning the request for F.F.A. chapters in these centers.

It was moved by Mr. A. W. Tenney to refer the problem of Indian Schools and F.F.A. to a committee of three and that the committee prepare a resolution and submit it at the meeting the next morning, and that not more than thirty minutes be used for discussion, and that the

group give the committee a recommendation to guide it in its work; motion seconded and carried.

The following committee was appointed: A. W. Johnson, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Montana; Marvin Jagels, Past National F.F.A. President; and, H. B. Swanson, Acting Federal Agent in the Agricultural Education Service of the U. S. Office of Education.

The following committee report was presented by Mr. Swanson:

"In light of the discussion held with Mr. W. W. Beatty, Director of Education, Office of Indian Affairs, relating to the establishment of F.F.A. chapters in Indian Schools, it is suggested by the Advisory Council and the Board of Trustees of the F.F.A. that the following procedure be followed:

- "1. That Mr. Beatty or his representative contact one or more Indian Schools desiring to establish chapters of F.F.A.
- "2. That representatives of such school or schools make their desire known to the State Adviser and the executive committee of that State association.
- "3. That the State association in its discretion submit a proposed amendment in the manner prescribed by the national constitution of the F.F.A. in order that the national delegate body may have this matter brought before it for action."

It was moved by Mr. Swanson that the report be adopted as read; motion seconded and carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Tenney

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Acting National Executive Secretary

MINUTES OF THE NATIONAL F.F.A. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Kansas City, Missouri

October 6, 1944

The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Dr. W. T. Spanton. Those present included: Messrs. A. W. Johnson, J. M. Lowe, R. E. Cammack, L. M. Sasman, D. M. Clements, E. J. Johnson, J. H. Pearson, H. B. Swanson, and A. W. Tenney.

It was moved by Mr. A. W. Johnson, seconded and carried, that the plan outlined in the ritual for conferring the American Farmer Degree and presenting the Keys be followed at the convention.

It was moved by Mr. Lowe, seconded and carried, to sustain the action of the Board of Trustees concerning employment of a Public Relations man.

It was moved by Mr. Sasman, seconded and carried, to sustain the action of the Board of Trustees concerning the Delaware American Farmer application.

It was moved by Mr. Sasman, seconded and carried, to sustain the action of the Board of Trustees concerning the use of Foundation funds for the National Public Speaking Contest awards.

It was moved by Mr. A. W. Johnson, seconded and carried, that a committee of three be appointed to prepare policies concerning the conferring of the Honorary American Farmer Degree. The following committee was appointed:

A. W. Johnson, Montana State Adviser
R. E. Cammack, Alabama State Adviser
A. W. Tenney, Acting National Executive Secretary

A brief summary of the business transacted by the Board of Trustees was presented, and, although no vote was taken, it was the sense of the group that the decisions of the Board met with the approval of the Advisory Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Tenney
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Secretary