

CARNES

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

Alexandria, Virginia  
July 27-31, 1970

Monday Morning - July 27, 1970

The meeting of the Board of Directors and National Officers of the Future Farmers of America was called to order at 8:40 a.m. at the Olde Colony Motor Lodge Conference Center, Alexandria, Virginia, by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Several minutes of silent meditation were observed. Those present in addition to the Chairman included:

Board of Directors

J. E. Dougan, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Columbus, Ohio;  
H. E. Edwards, Program Officer, Office of Education, Chicago, Illinois;  
M. C. Gaar, (Beginning July 29) Program Officer, Office of Education, Atlanta, Ga.;  
C. H. Moore, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Phoenix, Arizona;  
Harold L. Noakes, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Albany, New York;  
B. F. Rawls, Program Officer, Office of Education, Kansas City, Missouri;  
F. R. Stover, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Columbia, South Carolina;  
J. W. Warren, Program Officer, Office of Education, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Officers

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary, Board of Directors, U.S. Office of Education, Wash., D.C.;  
J. M. Campbell, Treasurer, State Department of Education, Richmond Virginia.

Alternate

J. W. Lacey, (July 27th only) Program Officer, Office of Education, Denver, Colo.

Board of National Officers

Harry Birdwell, National FFA President, Fletcher, Oklahoma;  
Dennis Pharris, National FFA Secretary, Hillsboro, Texas;  
Steve Zumbach, National FFA Vice President, Manchester, Iowa;  
Charles Postles, Jr., National FFA Vice President, Milford, Delaware;  
David Dietz, National FFA Vice President, Canby, Oregon;  
C. W. St. John, National FFA Vice President, Redfield, Arkansas.

Consultants

Glen D. McDowell, Vice President, NVATA, Pikeville, Kentucky;  
Jeff Hanlon, Past National FFA President, Cornelius, Oregon.

Others

James P. Clouse, Member of Temporary FFA Alumni Council, Lafayette, Indiana;  
L. W. Davis, Consultant, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wis.;  
Donald N. McDowell, Executive Director, National FFA Foundation Sponsoring  
Committee, Madison, Wisconsin.

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(2) Finance Committee - Page 6 (4) Life Insurance - Page 11*



INTRODUCTION AND SEATING OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS -- The Chairman introduced the following new members of the Board of Directors and stated that they had been elected to their respective positions in conformance with the National FFA Consitution:

J. E. Dougan, Ohio	(2-year term)
H. L. Noakes, New York	(2-year term)
F. R. Stover, South Carolina	(1-year term, replacing P. G. Chastain)

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS -- Brief remarks were made by National FFA President Harry Birdwell and National NVATA Vice President Glen D. McDowell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS -- The Chairman announced that E. J. Hawkins has been assigned as Acting Business Manager for the National FFA Organization and that Mrs. Zelma McShane has been employed as Administrative Aide and Secretary to the National Advisor.

SLIDE PRESENTATION -- The Chairman gave a visual presentation entitled "FFA - Mission, Methods and Means." Mr. L. W. Davis suggested that, if there were no objections, the Minutes of the Meeting show that "This is the finest and most forward looking presentation on this subject we have ever heard."

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS -- Committee work was discussed and assignments made. The meeting was recessed at 10:00 a.m. for committee work.

Tuesday Morning - July 28, 1970

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by the Chairman, with all members of the Boards present except Dr. M.C. Gaar.

COMMITTEE WORK -- Committee work was discussed briefly and it was agreed that the meeting should be recessed until 10:00 a.m. for further work on amendments to the constitution. The meeting was reconvened at 10:00 a.m. by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES -- The Chairman called for approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting. C. W. St. John requested that the motion pertaining to the FFA Week Theme be corrected to "Involved in America's Future" (Page 14). There being no other suggestions, the Minutes were approved by acclamation.

GOVERNING COMMITTEE MINUTES -- The Chairman called upon the Secretary to read the minutes of the meetings of the FFA Governing Committee, which were held on April 3, April 14, April 19, June 5 and June 12. (See Appendixes A through F). Considerable discussion followed. Mr. H. E. Edwards stated that there were no minutes of the Governing Committee showing that the poll of Board members favored the increase in salary for FFA employees. The Chairman asked the Secretary to read a memorandum sent to Mrs. Coiner and members of the Boards authorizing the increase.

MOTION -- After further discussion of the Governing Committee Minutes, it was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Warren)\*, seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Stover),

\*For the purpose of brevity, the names of the Board of Directors' members moving to sustain the action of the National Officers are included in parentheses following the name of the respective National Officer who made and seconded motion.



and carried that the Minutes of the FFA Governing Committee meetings be approved.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Warren), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover), and carried that these Minutes of the Boards show that the members of the Board of Directors voted to grant a 6% increase in salary for FFA employees retroactive to December 28, 1969.

REPORT ON FFA ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES -- Mr. H. E. Edwards lead a discussion, pointing out major provisions of a proposed set of FFA administrative policies, which had been developed within the past year and reviewed in length yesterday by a committee of the Board of Directors and National Officers. He especially called attention to the following points:

1. That these policies, if adopted, could be amended at future Board meetings.
2. That the basis for accrual of annual and sick leave for FFA employees would remain as it has been in the past until further study.
3. That, since agreement had not been reached on the administrative chart, it would not be considered as a part of these policies at this time.

MOTION -- After further discussion, it was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Dougan), seconded by C. W. St. John (Dr. Noakes), and carried that the suggested administrative policy statements, as revised, be adopted as of this date as the official administrative policies of the National FFA Organization and that all previous administrative policy statements on the respective items be rescinded.

Mr. H. E. Edwards then presented three items on which he suggested appropriate action be taken. These items would authorize the Supply Service to handle supplies for FFA-related groups, establish employment dates for retirement benefits and provide clarification of annual and sick leave.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Warren), and carried that the FFA Supply Service be authorized to purchase and resell official supplies for such FFA-related organizations as the National Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, the National Association of Supervisors of Agriculture Education, the American Association of Teacher Educators in Agriculture and the State Young Farmer Organizations as are designated by their respective organizations.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover) and carried that only National FFA Organization employment dates be used in calculating tenure for FFA paid benefits such as annual leave, sick leave and retirement benefits.

MOTION -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Moore), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Rawls), and carried that persons employed by the FFA prior to July 1, 1952 may carry over a maximum of 90 days of annual leave if accrued prior to that time. When such annual leave is used, it may not be re-accrued beyond the 30-day maximum accumulation. Present employees shall have a deadline date of September 30, 1971 to use all such accrued leave above the 30 day limit.

INTRODUCTION -- Mr. Thomas J. Bendiburg, Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Panama, was introduced and made brief remarks.

The meeting was recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon by the Chairman.



Tuesday Afternoon - July 28, 1970

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman.

LARRY CRAIG INTRODUCED TO GROUP -- Larry Craig, former National FFA Officer from Idaho, and a member of the temporary FFA Alumni Council, was introduced and gave brief greetings.

QUALIFICATIONS OF GIRL MEMBERS FOR FFA DEGREES -- Mr. Dougan gave a report of the committee which had been requested to review the action taken by the Boards in March regarding eligibility of girls for degree advancement in FFA, especially for the American Farmer Degree. He stated the committee unanimously agreed that the action taken in March was valid and in keeping with the National FFA Constitution, namely that girl membership eligibility be counted beginning October 15, 1969, the date on which girls were granted membership in the National Organization.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Dougan), and carried unanimously that the Board of National Officers and Board of Directors continue to support the action taken on March 5, 1970 regarding the length of (girl) membership in the National Organization required to qualify for the American Farmer Degree.

UPDATING THE REGIONAL STAR FARMER AND STAR AGRIBUSINESSMAN APPLICATIONS -- Attention was called to the numerous suggestions received that the four Regional FFA Star Farmers and the four Regional FFA Star Agribusinessmen be allowed to update their applications as of September 1st of each year before their credentials are submitted to the judges who select the respective National award winners during the National FFA Convention. It was pointed out that currently the records reflect the Candidates' Status as of the preceding December 30th and that most candidates have made considerable growth in their business operations, investments, leadership status and other developments which should be made available to the judges and to the press.

MOTION -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Noakes), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Dougan), and carried that the four selected Regional Star Farmers and Regional Star Agribusinessmen be given the privilege of updating their applications as of September 1st by providing appropriate information which will reflect their current status accurately.

NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION -- Dr. James P. Clouse, representing the temporary council of the National FFA Alumni Association, presented a report of a tentative Constitution and Bylaws. (See Appendix G). There was considerable discussion of the various recommendations resulting in the appointment of a committee composed of Dr. Clouse, Steve Zumbach, Glen McDowell, Dr. Noakes and Lennie Gamage to give further thought to the proposals.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Rawls), and carried to accept the report given by Dr. Clouse as revised.

CONTESTS AND AWARDS -- Bob Seefeldt reported on recent developments in the Agricultural Proficiency Award Program. He stated that handbooks and application forms are presently being mailed to the State Advisors for distribution to teachers. Each Board Member was given a copy of the handbook for his information. He called attention to the content of the handbook and urged that Board members assist in promoting its use effectively.



The Congratulatory Booklet and Sponsor Booklets were discussed. Many suggestions were given on whether or not the printing of these booklets should be continued due to the high cost of printing. Jeff Hanlon suggested that a small card be printed giving appropriate information and instructions and including a slot for the medal. By unanimous consent Mr. Seefeldt and Mr. Don McDowell were assigned to work out a plan for the preparation and distribution of booklets.

It was agreed that the Annual Report of Expenditures for Foundation activities should be sent to the States once a year even though it is in mimeographed form.

MOTION -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Stover), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards), and carried that the Board accept Mr. Seefeldt's report on Contests and Awards as submitted and commend him for his work.

NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS TOUR -- Mr. Dougan gave a report of the committee on the National FFA Officers Tour. He called attention to the fact that the proposed official name of the tour is being changed from "Good Will Tour" to "National FFA Officers Tour". He also stated that a staff member should accompany the officers on the tour at all times. (See Appendix H.)

MOTION -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Dougan) seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Stover), and carried that the report on the National FFA Officers Tour be accepted as submitted to the Board.

FUTURE FARMERS SUPPLY SERVICE -- Mr. E. J. Hawkins, Manager, Future Farmers Supply Service gave a report of FFSS operations during the year 1969-70 and projections for the future. Mr. Hawkins also mentioned that the authorized improvements in the heating and air-conditioning systems at the National FFA Center are nearing completion.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Warren), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Edwards), and carried that Mr. Hawkin's report be accepted as submitted.

COMMITTEE ON STUDY OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PURPOSES -- The committee that had been appointed by the Board earlier in the day to study the purposes of the Alumni Association made a report on their findings as follows:

"Resolved that the Board of Directors and Board of National Officers of the FFA encourage the formation of a separately incorporated FFA Alumni Association and that the temporary Alumni Council be authorized to proceed with the organization of the association and be ready to report at the October Board meeting. The National Organization will underwrite the costs to carry out the above action."

MOTION -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach, seconded by David Dietz and carried that this resolution be adopted.

After much discussion the Board of Directors agreed not to confirm this motion at this time, but that another meeting of the Alumni Council should be held to bring out specific purposes, procedures and plans of the Alumni Association and reported at the October meeting.

MOTION -- It was moved by Mr. Rawls and seconded by Mr. Warren and carried that the temporary Alumni Council be requested to meet again at FFA expense prior to the October meeting of the Board of Directors to clarify its proposals.

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



Wednesday Morning - July 29, 1970

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 a.m. with all members of the Boards present.

DR. MINEAR INTRODUCED -- Dr. Leon P. Minear, Director, Division of Vocational and Technical Education, U.S. Office of Education, was introduced and discussed the proposed U.S. Office of Education's decentralization plan, and the extension of multi-occupations training to small rural schools and their implications for FFA.

FINANCE COMMITTEE -- A finance committee was authorized and appointed. It is composed of Mr. Dougan, Chairman, Mr. Warren, and Dr. Noakes, with Mr. Moore as alternate. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Hunsicker are to serve as consultants, ex-officio members on this committee. A meeting of this committee was authorized by the Boards with expenses paid by the FFA. This committee is to involve whatever resource personnel is necessary in making a complete study of the financial structure of the organization; and present a progress report at the October meeting of the Boards. A more detailed report, including recommendations, will be presented in 1971.

CONVENTION PROGRAM -- It was moved by David Dietz (Dr. Gaar) seconded by Charles Postles (Dr. Noakes) and carried that a committee composed of Mr. Gray, Mr. Rawls, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Dougan, Mr. Moore and Mr. Hanlon meet that evening and discuss plans for the 1970 National Convention program.

FOUNDATION PROGRESS REPORT -- Donald N. McDowell, Executive Director of the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee, gave a progress report on the Foundation. He indicated several new regional chairmen to the Sponsoring Committee had been appointed and that Mr. Fred Stines has agreed to be its 1971 Chairman, subject to his election by the Sponsors in October. He also stated that the Sponsors' dinner this year will be a "Dutch Treat" buffet (\$6.00) at 6:00 p.m. immediately following the FFA reception. All Sponsors will purchase their own tickets and be permitted to host at least one FFA delegate, national award winners or other FFA members. State staff members and guests may also attend, but must purchase or reserve tickets by Wednesday afternoon.

FFA JACKET -- E. J. Hawkins, Manager of the Future Farmers Supply Service, reported that the Holt Company in Waco, Texas, was attempting to obtain permission from States to solicit and sell the FFA jacket to local members without authorization of the Board of Directors or payment of royalties. He stated that an analysis of the two jackets had been made by a reputable testing firm in New York. This test showed that both jackets were well made; however, the jacket now sold by the Supply Service was superior to the other jacket in fabric weight, abrasion resistance, dye penetration, workmanship and quality of embroidery.

MOTION -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), and carried that the National Advisor be instructed to send a letter to State FFA Advisors, calling attention to the wording of PL 740 regarding the use of the FFA Emblem and specifically to the Policy Statement on the approved use of the Emblem as listed on page 110 in the 1970 Official FFA Manual. Furthermore, that funds be budgeted to obtain legal counsel regarding the Board of Directors' authority to determine the use of the FFA Emblem and (receive) recommendations for needed action to combat unauthorized use of the copyrighted emblem of the FFA.



MEMBERSHIP FOR ARMED SERVICE PARTICIPATION -- A discussion was held relative to an interpretation of Article IV, Section B of the National FFA Constitution, on FFA membership for those participating in a six-month armed service program. It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Gaar) and carried that those individuals who have participated in a six-month armed service program be given one year extended membership for the American Farmer Degree regardless of the amount of time spent on active duty.

AMERICAN FARMER APPLICATIONS - PACIFIC REGION -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Warren), and carried that 56 applicants from the Pacific Region be recommended to receive the American Farmer Degree.

AMERICAN FARMER APPLICATIONS - CENTRAL REGION -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Moore), seconded by David Dietz (Mr. Edwards), and carried that 145 applicants from the Central Region be recommended to receive the American Farmer Degree.

AMERICAN FARMER APPLICATIONS - NORTH ATLANTIC REGION -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Dr. Noakes), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Warren), and carried that 35 applicants from the North Atlantic Region be recommended to receive the American Farmer Degree.

AMERICAN FARMER APPLICATIONS - SOUTHERN REGION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Warren), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), and carried that 235 applicants from the Southern Region be recommended to receive the American Farmer Degree.

The meeting was recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon.

Wednesday Afternoon - July 29, 1970

The meeting was reconvened at 1:15 p.m. by the Chairman with all members of the Boards present.

AWARD RECIPIENTS -- Dennis Pharris stated that the committee appointed to review and recommend recipients for the Honorary American Farmer Degree and other awards had met. He gave a report of these recommendations and the name of each person or organization to be nominated.

HONORARY AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Moore), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Stover), and carried that 78\* individuals be recommended to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. (See Appendix I.)

HONORARY AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE - VO-AG TEACHERS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Stover) seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Edwards) and carried that 26 teachers of vocational agriculture who were selected on the basis of their high achievement scores be recommended to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. (Twenty-six teachers rather than the usual 25 will receive the Degree this year since two teachers tied for low score). (See Appendix I).

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Noakes), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Gaar), and carried that 21 individuals be recommended to receive the Distinguished Service Award. (See Appendix J.)

\*Includes individuals listed on Page 8.



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATIONS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards), seconded by David Dietz (Mr. Warren), and carried that the following receive Distinguished Service Citations:

American Royal Livestock and Horse Show  
National Association of Farm Broadcasters

SPECIAL CITATIONS -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover), and carried that the following individuals receive a Special Citation:

Roderick Turnbull, Agricultural Editor, Kansas City Star, Kansas City, Missouri 64108  
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Venard, Venard Film Distribution Service, 113 North Madison Street, Peoria, Illinois 61602  
L. W. Davis, 8128 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 52213

SPECIAL LEADERSHIP PLAQUE -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar) and carried that Congressman Ed Jones, of Tennessee, receive the Special Leadership Plaque.

OTHER AMERICAN HONORARY FARMERS -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), and carried that the following receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree:

Dr. R. C. Butler, Professor and Chairman, Department of Agricultural Education West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia 26506.  
Paul Chastain, State Supervisor, Project Processing and Review, State Department of Education, 906 Rutledge Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29201  
Millard Gundlach, Vocational Agriculture Instructor, Montfort, Wisconsin 53569 (President NVATA)  
Charles W. Reed, FFA Executive Secretary, State Department of Education, Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
Samuel W. White, Jr., Group Vice President - Farm, White Motor Corporation, 100 Erieview Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44114  
5 Fathers of National Officers (Charles Postles' father received this award in 1969)  
3 Fathers of Star American Farmers  
4 Fathers of Star Agribusinessmen

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM -- David Dietz reported on his recent trip to Vietnam, after which he gave the Report of the International Education Programs Study Committee. (See Appendix K.) It was the feeling of the committee that the National FFA Organization should not be placed in a financial burden to send FFA members overseas, but it should act as a clearinghouse to coordinate international activities.

MOTION -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Warren) and carried that David's report on Vietnam and the Report of the International Education Programs Study Committee be accepted.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Rawls) seconded by David Dietz (Mr. Warren) and carried that Numbers 1, 2 and 5, on Page 2 of the Report of the International Education Programs Study Committee, (See Appendix K.) be



implemented and that a sentence be added stating that Mr. Gamage develop a long-range plan of FFA international education activities and investigate means of furthering this program and report to a future meeting of the Board.

MOTION -- It was moved by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried that the FFA remove itself from the tourist aspect of the international program. The National FFA Officers abstained.

LISTING - NATIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Warren), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Stover), and carried that the National FFA Office prepare by November 1, 1970 a complete listing of all Honorary Degree and Distinguished Service recipients, and also a complete listing of other award recipients by category.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards), seconded by David Dietz (Dr. Gaar) and carried that as a part of the administrative policies that the National Advisor present at the October Board meeting a complete listing of all Grade 7 and above FFA employees with a job description for each.

OPERATING POLICIES -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Moore), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Stover) and carried that a committee be appointed to bring up-to-date in one document all FFA Board approved operating policies. Mr. Edwards was named chairman of this committee and will have the privilege of drawing on any staff member to complete this project. The remainder of the committee to be appointed later.

FFA CENTER -- Mr. Gamage reviewed briefly a history of the National FFA Center. He stated that a committee appointed to make recommendations for Center development reviewed Dr. Krebs' report of the Center Development Committee made at the March, 1970, meeting. Unfortunately, answers to a number of items identified by Dr. Krebs' committee had not been received from the attorneys and others who are at work gathering the information in order to enable the Board to make a decision.

He stated that the State Legislature had passed a bill permitting property tax exemption for FFA but Fairfax County had not acted upon the permissive legislation. An application has also been filed by FFA attorneys with the Internal Revenue Service requesting a tax exemption status on the Center's operation. A ruling on this, however, will take from 60 to 90 days.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Dr. Noakes), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), and carried that Mr. Gamage's report on the Center be accepted.

DISCONTINUE CENTER STUDY -- It was moved by David Dietz (Mr. Edwards), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Rawls), and carried to discontinue study of the FFA Center until a need is established or funds are made available.

The Board was reminded that the delegates at the 1969 National FFA Convention went on record that the committee on the proposed National FFA Leadership Center continue its examination of the proposed Center and report its findings to the Board of Directors. Dr. Krebs has been scheduled to make a report at the 1970 Convention and at that time the Board's recommendations are to be presented to the delegate body.



MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Warren), seconded by David Dietz (Mr. Edwards) and carried that Mr. Moore represent the Board when this action is discussed at the forthcoming National Convention.

AMERICAN ROYAL INVOLVEMENT -- At the June meeting of the Kansas City Advisory Council, American Royal officials indicated they would like to have the FFA assume a greater role in Royal activities by becoming involved in selecting candidates for the Queen of the American Royal. Steve Zumbach presented a report of the committee which reviewed this activity. After some discussion, it was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Rawls) and carried to accept the report of the committee on FFA involvement in American Royal Queen Contest. (See Appendix L.)

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

Thursday Morning -- July 30, 1970

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 a.m., with all members of the Boards present.

INTRODUCTIONS -- The 1970 Summer FFA Leadership Conference Counselors were introduced to the group. They were: George Fox of Michigantown, Indiana, Conference Director; Robert Broeckelman, Oakley, Kansas; and Bill Cranford of Perrin, Texas.

REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN CONCERNING ACTION TAKEN THE PREVIOUS DAY REGARDING THE NATIONAL FFA CENTER -- The Chairman made a statement regarding the previous day's official action on the National FFA Center. The following is a condensed summary of his remarks:

Near the end of our business session yesterday, following the acceptance of the progress report on Center Development, a motion was passed "to discontinue the study of the FFA Center until a need is established or funds are made available." This motion, as you know, came virtually "on the spur of the moment" and was passed before most of us had an opportunity to reflect upon its implications and to bring into focus the actions regarding the Center which has been taken at prior Board meetings and by delegates at the National FFA Convention. We now find ourselves with two motions which seem to be in conflict. In March a motion was passed authorizing the collection of data and answers to several specific questions as a prerequisite in making a decision. Yesterday we were informed that answers to all of these questions have not been received from Legal Counsel, International Revenue Service, and others but that we may expect them in the near future. I, therefore, encourage you to continue the policy authorized in March and thus avoid nullifying the constructive and progressive work by National Officers, Board of Directors and the Center Development Committee in the past four years.

TAX EXEMPT STATUS FOR FFA PROPERTY -- Mr. Harry J. Andrews, Assistant Manager of the Future Farmers Supply Service, appeared before the group and reported on the Bill that had been passed by the Virginia General Assembly granting the FFA a tax exempt status on property owned in Fairfax County, Virginia. This Bill had been sponsored by the Fairfax County Delegates and several former FFA members in the Virginia Legislature. However, he stated that the tax



authorities in Fairfax County will need to act upon the bill since the legislation was permissive and not binding upon the County. A reply from Fairfax County should be available by the October meeting.

✓ LIFE INSURANCE AFTER RETIREMENT -- A new plan regarding life insurance for employees of the Future Farmers of America after their retirement was presented in detail to the Boards by Mr. Andrews. However, after discussing this new proposal it was felt that the matter should be referred to a committee and that the committee, after studying this new plan, present a recommendation to the Boards regarding the direction to be taken on this matter. Therefore, it was moved by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Gaar), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), and carried that the life insurance after retirement proposal be referred to a committee. (The proposal was referred to the newly appointed Finance Committee of which Mr. Dougan is Chairman.)

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL FFA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES -- Coleman Harris made a report on the 1970 Sub-Regional State FFA Officer Leadership Conferences and presented a list showing the number of officers that participated in each conference. It was the feeling of the Boards that these regional conferences were very effective and expressed the hope that more could be held.

Mr. Harris reported next on the chapter conferences held in Washington, D.C., this summer and presented a chart showing state participation in these programs. He also discussed in detail the National Leadership and Citizenship Conference for State Presidents held July 19 to July 24 and reported on the Congressional Breakfast which was held on July 23.

"BUILDING OUR AMERICAN COMMUNITIES"(BOAC) REPORT -- Mr. Harris next reported on the "Building Our American Communities"(BOAC) Program. The program was announced at the Capitol Hill Congressional Breakfast for State FFA Presidents. The program is a joint effort of the FFA, the U.S. Office of Education, and the Farmers Home Administration (FHA). He presented all members of the Board a copy of the booklet entitled "Guide to Understanding and Developing Communities." This guide, prepared by FHA, is for use by instructors in the high school vocational agriculture classes. The guide outlines ways and means of identifying the needs of a local community, analyzing the resources available and how to carry out constructive projects for improving it.

Mr. Harris stated that a second phase of the program will involve FFA members in constructive community action projects that will improve their communities. These include surveys of community land, water, manpower and transportation resources, job surveys to locate training stations and employment opportunities for students, environmental cleanup and control, and community health and safety projects.

In addition to support from the Farmers Home Administration, several top government officials, including President Nixon, have given their support to the FFA Community Action Program. It was emphasized that Lilly Endowment, Inc., of Indianapolis, Indiana, is sponsoring awards for the "Building Our American Communities" Program through the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Over 5,000 awards will be available to FFA chapters that take an active role in improving their communities.



LEADERSHIP AND BOAC REPORTS ACCEPTED -- It was then moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Dougan), and carried that the reports presented by Mr. Harris on the "Leadership Conferences" and the "Building Our American Communities" Program be accepted.

Mr. Glen McDowell complimented all who were involved in the "Building Our American Communities" Program and stated that the NVATA will lend its full support to its implementation.

AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATE FROM TEXAS APPROVED -- The Executive Secretary reported to the Boards that word had been received from the Texas State Advisor that American Farmer Degree candidate Dale Taylor of Blum, Texas had evidence that he had paid his FFA dues on the local level. Therefore, it was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Dougan), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Gaar) and carried that if the reported canceled check is provided to the National FFA Office by Dale Taylor, through the State Office in Texas before the October Board meetings or other evidence proving that he has properly paid his FFA dues during the 1969-70 school year, that he be granted the American Farmer Degree.

REPORT ON FFA ARCHIVES -- Mr. E. J. Johnson, Director, FFA Archives, presented a detailed report to the Boards on his activities regarding the FFA Archives, Library, and Museum. Mr. Johnson stated that he was planning to go into full retirement. If the organization wishes to continue work on the Archives a younger worker must be assigned to follow his efforts on at least a two-day a week basis. He stated that he would be glad to assist this person in every way.

It was suggested that perhaps the person who was spending time on the Center Development could now spend this time on archives work.

MOTION -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Moore), and carried that Mr. Johnson's report be accepted. Mr. Johnson was applauded by the Boards for the impressive job that he has done the past four years, and they expressed to him their gratitude and appreciation for the time he has devoted to the FFA. (A copy of Mr. Johnson's report is available upon request.)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL TREASURER -- A copy of the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures of the Future Farmers of America for the year July 1, 1969 through June 30, 1970 was distributed by Mr. Campbell, National FFA Treasurer. This statement was explained in detail. He stated, however, that he thought last year's budget was a realistic one.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Mr. Warren), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Dougan) and carried that the Report of the National Treasurer be approved.

NON-BUDGETED EXPENDITURES DISCUSSED -- Mr. Edwards stated that he thought that the Board members should be given an accounting of the use of non-budgeted expenditures, i.e., in the leadership and international programs sponsored by the FFA organization even though these are paid for by the participants in the programs.



INVESTMENT OF FFA FUNDS DISCUSSED -- Mr. Campbell stated that at the time of the merger of the NFA into the FFA that the former National FFA Treasurer, W. T. Johnson, made the following request:

"...he hoped that the National Organization would continue to keep these transferred funds (NFA monies) in the same institutions and make further use of these banks in appreciation of their many years of service to the NFA."

Mr. Campbell stated that the National Organization has done this to the present time, but that now he recommended a change in this policy since additional interest could be earned elsewhere.

MOTION ON INVESTMENT OF FFA FUNDS -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Moore), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Noakes), and carried that the National Organization investigate and where possible invest FFA funds where they can receive the best return on their investments. Mr. Campbell was requested by the Chairman to pursue this policy.

The meeting was recessed for lunch at 11:50 a.m.

Thursday Afternoon - July 30, 1970

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

DR. RUMPF INTRODUCED TO THE GROUP -- Dr. Edwin L. Rumpf, Chief, Development Branch, Office of Education, was introduced to the group and discussed many of the current events happening in the U.S. Office of Education, Division of Vocational and Technical Education. He discussed future needs for the vocational education program and told how vocational agriculture can make a tremendous contribution and play a key role in the total vocational education program.

DEPRECIATION RESERVE FUND -- Mr. Campbell recommended that the surplus money from the 1969-70 FFA budget be transferred to the Depreciation Reserve Fund. After a short discussion, it was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover), and carried that the unexpended balance from the 1970 budget be placed in the Depreciation Reserve Fund.

1970-71 FFA BUDGET DISCUSSED -- Considerable discussion took place regarding the FFA budget that was accepted at the March 1970 Board meeting. A number of agreed upon revisions were made in it.

REVISED SUPPLY SERVICE BUDGET ACCEPTED -- Mr. Hawkins appeared before the group and stated that the Supply Service could increase the royalties to the National Organization from 5% to 7%, which would increase the National Organization's anticipated receipts for the coming fiscal year. He also stated that the Supply Service would not increase the price of the official FFA jacket which had been approved by the Boards in their March meetings.

Dennis Pharris, National FFA Secretary, assumed the chair at the request of the President. It was then moved by Harry Birdwell (Mr. Warren), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Dougan), and carried that the Supply Service's proposal be accepted and included as revenue in the 1970-71 budget.



President Birdwell then resumed the Chair.

APPROVAL OF FFA BUDGET AS REVISED -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Warren), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Rawls), and carried that the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1970 and ending June 30, 1971 be accepted as amended. (See Appendix M.)

REGIONAL STAR AMERICAN FARMERS AND REGIONAL STAR AGRIBUSINESSMEN NAMED -- After careful review of the candidates recommended for the Regional Star American Farmer and Regional Star Agribusinessman awards, the following candidates were selected to receive the 1970 awards:

CENTRAL REGION -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Charles Postles (Dr. Noakes), and carried that Merrill Kelsay of Whiteland, Indiana, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star American Farmer Award from the Central Region, and that Merle Eugene Klotz of Bowling Green, Ohio, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star Agribusinessman award from the Central Region.

NORTH ATLANTIC REGION -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Mr. Edwards), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Stover), and carried that Robert Lee Weaver of Strasburg, Pennsylvania, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star American Farmer award from the North Atlantic Region, and that Earl M. Weaver of Middletown, Pennsylvania, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star Agribusinessman award from the North Atlantic Region.

PACIFIC REGION -- It was moved by David Deitz (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Noakes), and carried that Jay Brian Scharf of Amity, Oregon, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star American Farmer award from the Pacific Region, and that Lynn Allan Scott of Gaston, Oregon, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star Agribusinessman award from the Pacific Region.

SOUTHERN REGION -- Action was deferred until Friday at the request of C. W. St. John and Dr. Gaar.

REPORT ON THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER MAGAZINE -- Wilson Carnes, Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, reported on the status of the Magazine. Copies of the Auditor's Report for the year ended June 30, 1971 were distributed and reviewed by Mr. Carnes.

He stated that the picture regarding advertising in the Magazine has changed very little since he reported the situation to the Boards in March. He expressed real concern whether the picture will improve in the near future. He stated that the Magazine had taken economy measures to hold down costs. (It was stated that the decline in advertising is not a unique one and that many farm magazines across the country were suffering from the same problem.)

Mr. Rawls stated that The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine was a great public relations tool and in itself is rendering a great service to members of the FFA.

Many questions were posed to Mr. Carnes regarding advertising, distribution of the magazine, editorial content, etc., however, no action was taken on any of these matters.

MAGAZINE REPORT ACCEPTED -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Dr. Noakes), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Gaar), and carried to accept Mr. Carnes' report.



REPORT ON THE OFFICIAL FFA CALENDAR -- Mr. Jack Pitzer, Associate Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, gave a report on the calendar program. He stated that the 1971 sales are looking good at the present time; the 1972 calendar painting had been approved and that the painting depicts a "Field Trip to a Turf Farm."

The National Officers were urged to help promote the official calendar in their visits to the states, for like the magazine, the official calendar is also an important public relations medium.

FFA WEEK REPORT -- Plans for FFA Week in 1971 were discussed. The theme will be: "Involved in America's Future," and the "How To Use It" and "Idea Packet" developed for FFA chapters to assist them in promoting FFA Week, will be improved.

ACCEPTANCE OF CALENDAR AND FFA WEEK REPORTS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Stover), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Moore), and carried that Mr. Pitzer's reports on the Official Calendar and FFA Week be accepted.

REPORT ON EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR -- Mr. Carnes reported on his recent European Agricultural Tour in which he accompanied the FFA members. He stated that prior to accompanying this group he had been somewhat "lukewarm" in regard to the FFA Organization's participation in international programs. However, as a result of his recent experiences, he stated that he feels these trips are valuable to members, in that their experiences abroad will help make them better citizens of this country and the world. He also stated that he hopes the National Organization will continue to offer this type of activity to its members because it helps develop a better understanding of agriculture and, most importantly, the participants learn to appreciate the good things and opportunities America provides.

Prior to the Board meeting, members of the FFA Board of Directors and National Officers were appointed to serve on committees to suggest needed changes in the National FFA Constitution.

MOTION -- The reports from these committees were presented and discussed. It was moved by Charles Postles (Dr. Noakes), seconded by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Stover), and carried that the reports as revised be accepted. The proposed amendments were mimeographed and mailed to State Advisors, Executive Secretaries and Head Teacher Educators under date of August 24, 1970.

Friday Morning - July 31, 1970

The meeting was reconvened by the Chairman at 8:30 a.m. One member of the Board, J. W. Warren, was absent.

REMARKS - A. W. TENNEY -- Dr. A. W. Tenney, Chief, Service Branch, Division of Vocational and Technical Education, U.S. Office of Education, was introduced and made brief remarks. He commended the National FFA Organization on its leadership and stated that, although he has been called upon to assume broader roles in Vocational Education, he has never lost his enthusiasm for Agricultural Education and the FFA. Dr. Tenney referred to the recent report made by the Rural Task Force on Vocational and Technical Education, which he chaired.



MOTION -- SELECTION OF SOUTHERN REGION STAR ARMERICAN FARMER AND STAR AGRI-BUSINESSMAN -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover), and carried that Albert C. Wildes, of Route 3, Hazlehurst, Georgia be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star American Farmer award from the Southern Region; and that Jerry L. Williamson, of Jacksonville, Florida, be selected to receive the 1970 Regional Star Agribusinessman award from the Southern Region.

POLICY ON COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS -- The Chairman called upon Mr. Rawls who presented a request from a commercial company for permission to sponsor an exhibit during the National FFA Convention on materials being prepared by his company which will be made available to vocational agriculture teachers. It was pointed out that this would be contrary to policies followed in the past, namely, that no commercial exhibits be permitted in the Auditorium during FFA Convention week. Mr. Rawls stated that he had contacted the Management of the Municipal Auditorium about this. They advised that we are the lessee under a present contract, calling for \$1.00 per year. They advised that if the FFA Organization permits commercial exhibits in the Auditorium, then they would be compelled to re-negotiate our contract with them. Mr. Rawls recommended that these Boards adopt a policy that no commercial exhibits be permitted in the Auditorium during convention week. Farm and agriculture trade associations, however, will be permitted to have Career Exhibits.

MOTION -- NO COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS AT CONVENTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Rawls), seconded by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar), and carried that commercial exhibits not be permitted in the Municipal Auditorium during the National FFA Convention.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS - NO ACTION TAKEN -- The Chairman distributed copies of Job Descriptions which have been developed for the positions of FFA Program Specialist, and Secretary-Administrative Aide. He asked that members of the Board review these materials and take action at a later date. Mr. Edwards suggested that these job descriptions be considered as a part of the over-all Administrative Policies, which are to be considered at the October meeting of the Boards.

STATUS OF LAWSUIT - REID VS FFA -- The Chairman gave a brief progress report on the status of the lawsuit filed against the FFA and DHEW by Mrs. Frances Reid, a former FFA employee. The FFA attorneys have reported that the judge has ruled out the National FFA Advisor in this lawsuit. The suit was filed personally against Mr. Robert H. Finch, Secretary of DHEW. Now that Mr. Finch no longer is the Secretary, the exact status of the case is not quite clear.

FFA'S AUDIT REPORTS TO CONGRESS -- The Chairman reported that the House Judiciary Committee recently has requested that the annual audit report of the FFA Foundation be submitted to Congress, along with reports already being submitted, namely: Audits for the Future Farmers of America, the FFA Supply Service, The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, and a combined report of the above three. Some members of the Board felt this request was unwarranted since the FFA Foundation is a separate private corporation.

VARIATIONS IN NATIONAL FFA CONSTITUTION AND NEW YORK STATE CONSTITUTION -- Discussion was held regarding the fact that several provisions in the present New York State FFA Association Constitution and By-laws seem to be in conflict with the National FFA Constitution. It was reported that members of the Committee,



appointed to study this matter, have met with the Advisor of the New York Association and have compared the provisions of the New York Association's Constitution with those of the National. The following areas appear to be in conflict: (1) No reference to Vocational Education Acts; (2) Active membership - 3 years; (3) One year instruction for Chapter Degree; (4) Two years instruction for State Degree; and (5) Two percent limitation on State Degree.

MOTION -- NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), and carried that the National FFA Advisor, on behalf of the National FFA Board of Directors and National Officers, write to the State Advisor of the New York Association of FFA, listing the five areas of apparent conflict (shown above) between the National and New York Constitution and By-laws; that the New York State Association be requested to submit to the National Office by September 15 a written rationale for these apparent conflicts; and that copies of both letters be sent to all National Officers and members of the National FFA Board of Directors, so that action may be taken at the October Board meeting.

MOTION -- STATES TO SUBMIT LATEST CONSTITUTIONS AND BY-LAWS TO NATIONAL FFA OFFICE -- After some discussion, it was moved by Charles Postles (Mr. Dougan), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Rawls) and carried, that all States submit to the National FFA Office, by September 1, copies of their latest Constitution and By-laws, listing all revisions, in compliance with Article VIII, Section A-2, of the By-laws of the National FFA Constitution, and that these be reviewed and a report be made to the Board in October.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTING VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TEACHERS FOR HONORARY AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE -- Dennis Pharris presented the report of the committee which was appointed to consider the revision of criteria for selecting vocational agriculture teachers to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. It was recommended by the committee that guidelines be developed by the NVATA, and that the number of candidates approved be set at 50, with no more than 75 per year, and that each candidate be recommended by his respective State Advisor. Considerable discussion took place on this matter.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Noakes), seconded by C. W. St. John (Mr. Dougan) and carried, that the Report of the Committee on Revising Criteria for Selecting Vocational Agriculture Teachers to Receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree be accepted. (See Appendix N.) Mr. Glen McDowell was appointed to relay the request for assistance to NVATA officials.

✓ MOTION -- REGISTRATION FEE RECOMMENDED FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION, IN 1971 -- It was moved by Steve Zumbach (Mr. Stover), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Moore), and carried that the Boards of National Officers and Directors recommend to the delegate body for its consideration a registration fee of \$3.00 per person for individuals attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, in 1971. *Shunts?*

REVIEW OF PLANS FOR NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION -- The Chairman called upon Mr. Rawls who gave a progress report on preparations for the convention being conducted by the Kansas City Advisory Council. A brief report on program plans for the convention was presented. Possible speakers include President Nixon; one of the astronauts; Reverend Billy Graham; and the Honorable Elliot L. Richardson, DHEW Secretary. Fess Parker, who will be featured at the American Royal this year, will make a brief appearance at the convention.



There will not be a session on Tuesday evening following the Vespers. Special plans are being made for Thursday evening when the Sponsors to the FFA Foundation will be honored. The National President plans to issue a "challenge" to the delegates, at the beginning of the convention in the form of a "State of the Organization Message." Copies of a breakdown of Convention Responsibilities by individuals was distributed by Mr. Gray. Members were asked to carefully review the assignments and that suggestions be sent to the Executive Secretary as soon as possible. Mr. Glen McDowell stated that the NVATA sends two Regional Officers to the FFA Convention and he was certain they would be willing to help with the work.

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL FFA CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS -- Dennis Pharris presented the report of one of the Work Groups assigned to study suggested amendments to the National FFA Constitution and By-Laws. The various proposed changes were discussed at some length. (See Appendix O.)

MOTION -- It was moved by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Noakes), and carried that the Boards accept the committee report and recommend it to the delegate body as proposed amendments to the National FFA Constitution.

ELIGIBILITY OF NATIONAL OFFICERS -- Mr. Gray presented for the Boards consideration the application of Steve Venturacci, of Nevada, a candidate for National Office, whom he believed to be ineligible, both from the standpoint of age and graduation from high school. The candidate's birthday was October 7, 1949, and he graduated from high school in June, 1967; thus, according to Article IV, Section B, of the National FFA Constitution, his eligibility for a National Office would cease on the last day of the Convention in 1970.

MOTION -- CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL OFFICE, INELIGIBLE -- It was moved by C. W. St. John (Mr. Edwards) seconded by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Dougan), and carried that the candidate for National Office, Steve Venturacci, of Nevada, regretfully, be declared ineligible.

PROVISION FOR A NATIONAL CHAPLAIN - TO BE REFERRED TO DELEGATES -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Moore), seconded by Charles Postles (Dr. Gaar), and carried that the Boards of National Officers and National FFA Directors refer to the delegate body, as a possible Constitutional amendment, the matter of providing for a National Chaplain -- without a specific recommendation by the Boards.

REPORT ON VISITS TO STATES BY NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS -- Dennis Pharris gave an interesting report, on behalf of all the National Officers, on their many activities and visits to the States during the past year. This included appearances before many State FFA Conventions, civic groups, National and International affairs.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Dr. Gaar), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Stover), and carried that the report on Officer Travel and Activities be accepted. Members of the Board of Directors complimented the Officers on their excellent performance throughout the year.

PLASTIC SIGNS -- Mr. Dougan stated that he had been asked to present, for the Boards consideration, the matter of plastic signs which are being manufactured



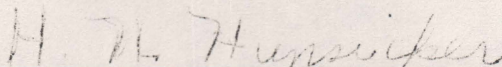
by an Ohio firm. It was agreed that this matter should be referred to Mr. Hawkins for his further study and recommendations as to whether the FFA Supply Service should handle this item.

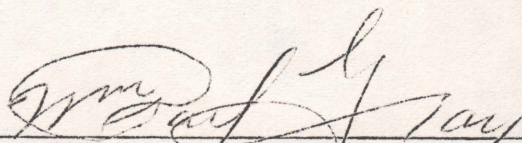
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR RESEARCH PROPOSAL -- Mr. Dougan presented for the Boards consideration a Research Proposal, prepared and submitted by Richard F. Welton, Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Education, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio - bearing the title "Relationship of Student Characteristics and Program Policies to Participation in FFA." Mr. Welton's proposal is quite comprehensive and sets forth plans for conducting a nationwide study to explore the relationship of FFA chapter programs and the characteristics of vocational agriculture students to the degree of students' participation in FFA activities. The estimated total cost of the project is \$930.00, of which Mr. Welton requests \$490.00 from FFA funds. Mr. Dougan recommended that the proposal be funded. Members of the Board considered the proposal at some length.

MOTION -- It was moved by Dennis Pharris (Mr. Edwards), seconded by Charles Postles (Mr. Dougan), and carried, that the sum of \$490.00 be appropriated from FFA funds for the Research Proposal entitled "Relationship of Student Characteristics and Program Policies to Participation in FFA" to be carried out by Mr. Richard Welton, Research Assistant at The Ohio State University, and that the work be done in cooperation with the National FFA staff.

BOARD MEETINGS IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI -- It was announced by the Chairman that the National FFA Board of Directors and Board of National Officers will meet, in Kansas City, Missouri, beginning at 8:30 a.m., on Saturday, October 10, 1970, and until noon on Monday, October 12. A meeting of the FFA Foundation Board of Trustees will be held on Monday afternoon, October 12, starting at 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the two Boards, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

  
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H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman

  
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Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary



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MINUTES - FFA GOVERNING COMMITTEE

APPENDIX A

April 3, 1970

A special meeting of the FFA Governing Committee was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Others present included \*M. C. Gaar and Wm. Paul Gray.

It was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Gray and carried that Mrs. Zelma McShane, former secretary to Mr. Carnes, be re-employed by the FFA organization as Secretary and Administrative Aide to the National FFA Advisor, at the same salary schedule as previously held. Mrs. McShane holds a Bachelor Degree in Office and Business Administration.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

APPENDIX B

April 14, 1970

The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Others present included \*M. C. Gaar and Wm. Paul Gray.

It was unanimously agreed that members of the National FFA Board of Directors be polled by the National FFA Advisor with regard to granting a six per cent salary increase to FFA employees, retroactive to December 27, in keeping with the recent, cost of living, increase granted by Congress to Federal workers. The increase for the current fiscal year is to be paid from unexpended funds available under salary, and the increase for 1970-71, be reflected as an anticipated increase of revenue from the FFA Supply Service, and, if needed, an adjustment upward in the anticipated membership from 420,000 to 430,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

\*Dr. Gaar was contacted by telephone



MINUTES - FFA GOVERNING COMMITTEE

APPENDIX C

April 19, 1970

The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Others present included \*M. C. Gaar and Wm. Paul Gray.

Upon the recommendation of Messrs. Carnes and Allen, and after a review of the eight written proposals for printing the National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, it was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Gray and carried to renew the printing contract with Kansas Color Press of Lawrence, Kansas, for another three-year period. Considerations governing this decision were low price, quality, service, and three years of satisfactory performance in printing the magazine by Kansas Color Press.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

APPENDIX D

April 19, 1970

The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Those present included \*M.C. Gaar and Wm. Paul Gray.

It was moved by Mr. Gray, seconded by Dr. Gaar, and carried that Dr. James P. Clouse, Indiana, and Kenneth G. McMillan, Illinois, serve on the Alumni Council, replacing Mr. Doug Hansen and Mr. Keith Weber, who could not participate.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

\*Dr. Gaar was contacted by telephone



MINUTES - FFA GOVERNING COMMITTEE

APPENDIX E

June 5, 1970

The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Others present were \*M. C. Gaar, Wm. Paul Gray (members of the Committee) and E. J. Hawkins.

Heating and Air Conditioning - FFA Building -- The bids for improving the heating and air conditioning for the FFA Headquarters Building were reviewed. Since the C. V. Carlson Company was lowest of the three bidders, it was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Gray and carried that this company be selected as contractor and that Mr. Hawkins be authorized to proceed immediately with this work.

Advisors Teaching Guide on FFA -- Since the FFA Fellowship program, sponsored by Massey-Ferguson was discontinued, and a surplus of \$885.06 in this fund has been turned over to the FFA for printing additional copies of the Advisors Teaching Guide on FFA, it was moved by Mr. Gray, seconded by Dr. Gaar, and carried that the French-Bray Printing Company be awarded the printing job, based upon the lowest of three bids. It was further agreed that this should be made available to Teacher Education Institutions to use in training advisors, and that each graduating senior receive a copy of the Guide.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

APPENDIX F

June 12, 1970

The meeting was called to order by H. N. Hunsicker, Chairman. Others present included \*M. C. Gaar and Wm. Paul Gray.

In reply to a request for FFA endorsement and participation in the "Honor America Day" celebration in Washington, it was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Gray, and carried that a telegram be sent to Mr. J. Willard Marriott at the Honor America Day Headquarters, endorsing the motives of the Bob Hope special at the Washington Monument, designed to recapture a justified faith in the principles of human dignity, mutual respect and individual freedom on which this society was structured.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

\*Dr. Gaar was contacted by telephone



THE NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
PROPOSED  
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. NAMES AND PURPOSES

Section A. The name of this affiliate of Future Farmers of America (FFA) shall be the National FFA Alumni Association.

Section B. The purposes of this affiliate shall be:

1. To support and promote the FFA organization, FFA activities, and vocational agriculture on local, state, and national levels.
2. To provide a tie to the FFA and involve former members in worthy activities.
3. Effect a greater knowledge of the agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.
4. To cooperate with the National FFA Foundation, Board of Trustees and Sponsoring Committee in activities that relate to the FFA and the Foundation.

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION

Section A. The National FFA Alumni Association may consist of chartered state affiliates or local affiliates organized on a school, county, or other area basis. Membership at the national level may also be direct without organized state or local groups.

Section B. State or local affiliates when organized shall adopt constitutions and by-laws in harmony with the national constitution. Local affiliates may affiliate directly with the National FFA Alumni Association when no state affiliate is in existence.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership shall be open to any former active, collegiate or honorary FFA or NFA member. A National FFA Alumni Association member shall have paid annual dues.

ARTICLE IV. EMBLEM

Section A. The gold FFA emblem with the word "Alumni" below it shall serve as the emblem of the National FFA Alumni Association.



ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE BODY

Section A. The Executive Body of the National FFA Alumni Association shall be the National FFA Alumni Council.

Section B. The National FFA Alumni Council shall consist of: Five persons elected by the membership; one State Executive Secretary of the FFA; one State FFA Advisor; one teacher of vocational agriculture; one teacher educator; the current National FFA President and the immediate past National FFA President. The National FFA Advisor or his designee and the Executive Secretary of the National FFA Alumni Association shall serve as ex officio members without vote.

Section C. All voting members of the National FFA Alumni Council with the exception of the current and immediate past National FFA Presidents shall serve three year terms on a staggered basis.

Section D. The National FFA Alumni Council shall elect annually a chairman and a vice-chairman from the Council membership and shall appoint an Executive Secretary.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

Section A. The National FFA Alumni Council shall meet once each year. Additional meetings may be called by the Chairman or by a majority of the Council members upon petition to the Executive Secretary.

Section B. There shall be an annual meeting of the membership of the National FFA Alumni Association.

ARTICLE VII. DUES

Section A. The annual dues of the National FFA Alumni Association shall be fixed by majority vote of members present at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

Section A. Proposed amendments to the Constitution of the National FFA Alumni Association may be submitted by a state or local affiliate or by any active member and must be in writing and received by the Executive Secretary 60 days prior to the opening date of the annual meeting.

Section B. Proposed amendments shall be approved by at least three members of the National FFA Alumni Council before being submitted to the membership for consideration. Voting shall be by mail ballot. Affirmation by 2/3 of those voting shall be necessary to adopt an amendment.



Section C. Amendments to the By-Laws of the National FFA Alumni Association shall be made in the manner prescribed in Article VIII, Sections A and B, with the exception that affirmation shall be by a majority of those voting.

PROPOSED BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

Section A. All provisions of these By-Laws shall be considered a part of the Constitution of the National FFA Alumni Association.

ARTICLE II. LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Section A. The principal office of the National FFA Alumni Association shall be located at the National FFA Center, Alexandria, Virginia 22309.

ARTICLE III. PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI COUNCIL

Section A. The five members of the National FFA Alumni Council that are selected from the membership at large shall be elected by mail ballot. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to vote.

Section B. The State FFA Executive Secretary and the State FFA Advisor shall be designated by the National Association of Supervisors of Agricultural Education. The teacher of vocational agriculture shall be designated by the National Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, and the Teacher Educator by the American Association of Teacher Educators in Agriculture. Each member of the Council must be a member of the National FFA Alumni Association.

Section C. The current National FFA President and the immediate past National FFA President shall serve as members of the Council by virtue of their positions.

Section D. All other voting Council members serve a three-year term not more than three of whom may be seated in any one year. The method of rotation is prescribed as follows: (Attorneys to suggest rotation method.)

Section E. Whenever a vacancy occurs on the National FFA Alumni Council, other than from expiration of their terms of office, the National FFA Alumni Council shall appoint a person to fill the unexpired term of office.

ARTICLE IV. DUTIES OF THE ALUMNI COUNCIL

Section A. It shall be the duty of the Alumni Council to:  
(1) Direct the operation of the association in accordance with its constitutional purposes; (2) Serve as a nominating committee or appoint one as needed.



ARTICLE V. TIME OF MEETINGS

Section A. The annual meeting and other necessary meetings of the Alumni Council shall be held at such place or time as may be prescribed by the National FFA Alumni Council.

ARTICLE VI. FISCAL YEAR

Section A. The fiscal year of the National FFA Alumni Association shall commence on the first day of January in each year and shall end on the 31st day of December.

Section B. Books and records of the National FFA Alumni Association may be inspected by any member or his agent or attorney at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE VII. REPORTS

Section A. An annual National FFA Alumni Association report shall be submitted to the National FFA Board of Directors at its first meeting following the completion of the National FFA Alumni Association fiscal year.

Section B. Chartered state and local affiliates shall submit annual reports to the National FFA Alumni Association headquarters on forms provided at the conclusion of their fiscal year.



THE NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS TOUR

Primary Purpose

The National FFA Officers Tour Program is sponsored by the National FFA Organization under the direction of the National FFA Board of Directors for the primary purpose of informing agriculture, business, industry, government, and the general public of the aims, purposes, and activities of the total program of vocational education in agriculture including the FFA.

The following specific objectives should be accomplished by this program:

1. To meet and express appreciation to sponsors of the National FFA Foundation for their continued cooperation and support.
2. To inform prospective sponsors to the National FFA Foundation of the purposes and objectives of the Agricultural Education and FFA program, and of the need for expanding and extending these programs and activities on a national and international basis.
3. To acquaint the National FFA officers, state and national Agricultural Education leaders and FFA representatives with the importance of agriculture, business, industry, and government.
4. To further develop the leadership and citizenship of National FFA Officers.
5. To display to leaders of our nation the youth that are being developed through the Agricultural Education and FFA program.
6. To provide for an in-put of suggestions for the future development of Agricultural Education and FFA programs from agriculture, business, industry and others.
7. To convey to the American public the importance of Agriculture and to display the contribution that food and fiber production, processing and distribution make in the lives of every individual.
8. To provide the opportunity for the National FFA officers to become knowledgeable of the concerns, opportunities, and trends in American agriculture and business.
9. To meet and exchange views and purposes with leaders of national organizations including youth, agricultural, financial, trade and service organizations.

Method and Procedures for Implementing These Objectives

1. The planning and organization of the National FFA Officers Tour shall be under the direction of the National FFA Board of Directors and shall be coordinated by designated National FFA Staff Members in cooperation with the Executive Director of the National FFA Sponsoring Committee. The National Board of Directors shall provide guidelines for planning and conducting the tour.



2. By September 1, the Executive Director of the Sponsoring Committee shall provide the National FFA Advisor with a list of the visits that have been recommended by the Sponsoring Committee and Regional Chairmen. Included in this information should be the name of the contact person for each visit, the possibility of a meal function, and the list of prospective individuals of firms and organizations that will be represented.
3. At the October National FFA Board of Directors meeting the National FFA Advisor shall submit to the Board of Directors and Sponsoring Committee for approval a tentative itinerary for the Officers Tour.
4. By November 15 plans for the Officers Tour shall be finalized and the National Advisor or a designated member of the National FFA Staff shall have made all contacts by December 15.
5. The National Advisor or his designee shall make all contacts with state staffs to invite their participation on the tour.
6. The Executive Director of the Sponsoring Committee shall submit to the National Advisor by December 15 a list of Sponsoring Committee members to be present at any of the functions of the Leadership Tour.
7. The preparation of the National FFA Officers for the National Officers Tour, their travel, and lodging arrangements shall be determined by the designated National FFA Staff member or members.
8. At least one member of the National FFA Staff shall accompany the National FFA Officers at all times on the National Officers Tour.
9. Consideration should be given to the possibility of dividing the officer team when feasible so that more contacts can be made.
10. There are certain companies that have suggested being visited every two or three years rather than annually. (A survey of the desires of the larger sponsors on this question may be in order.)
11. To plan and conduct the Officers Tour so as to gain maximum benefits with the least possible cost, time and effort.
12. To provide enough flexibility within the National FFA Officers' schedules so that additional short term Officers Tours can be conducted where maximum benefits can be derived.
13. To provide for contact with all news media.



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REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
PROGRAMS STUDY COMMITTEE

APPENDIX K

The committee on international programs met in Alexandria on July 13 - 14. The following persons comprised the committee: E. L. Barger; David Dietz; Ray Erwin; Sotero Lasap, Jr.; Dale Fritz; Fredric Myer; Clifford Nelson; John Flowden; Paul Regan; Harold Shoaf; William Shumate; and, John Wm. Wallace.

Meeting with the committee in ex officio capacity included: H. N. Hunsicker, Wm. Paul Gray, Lennie H. Gamage, and Charles Postles. A special guest was Mr. Thomas Bendiburg, Supervisor of Agricultural Education for the Republic of Panama.

This committee was charged by the National Advisor to study past and current programs in the international area, and to make recommendations for the future. Because of the varied activities initiated as early as 1947, and recognizing the needs and vast opportunities of present times, it was felt that this task could not, and should not, be completed in a two day meeting.

Accordingly, the following general statements, objectives, and recommendations are offered for consideration by the Boards:

In the face of continuing increase in pressure of world population growth on world food supply, and considering the position of world leadership in food production, it is time for the FFA to assume a greater responsibility internationally in helping to meet this challenge.

The FFA's unique characteristics of being the only youth program associated with the only program of organized instruction at less than college level gives a priceless experience basis to demonstrate to other youth organizations how they can organize to help themselves through similar activities.

The committee recognizes that certain activities and programs can best be done by the National Organization, others by State Associations, some by local chapters, and some things can even be done by individual members. Current and future activities developed should be placed in chart form to indicate how they can best be implemented.

Suggested objectives for the international program area include:

1. Share with agricultural youth on a worldwide basis the benefits of FFA on a national, state, local and individual basis.
2. To promote an exchange of ideas in order to develop mutual understanding, development and improvement of rural life and agricultural education.
3. Assist in the development of non-political organizations patterned after FFA in countries that desire, of their own initiative, to receive such guidance.



Current programs nationally coordinated, and discussed by the committee included the WORK EXPERIENCE ABROAD program and the Study Tours. The work experience program, operated with youth organizations primarily in Europe and Oceania, is self-financed with funds being contributed by individuals, chapters, and occasionally state associations. In many cases, high school credit is given for the program. Incoming students from other countries are being supervised by agriculture teachers and are receiving credits in their home country. Careful attention must be given to selection of host farms and placement of students in their occupational interest area.

Study tours of two or three week duration, properly developed to include good agricultural and youth-to-youth contact have a place in the program. Programs of special interest such as horticulture could be developed, and best fit the area of state association activities.

Past experience of FFA representatives overseas has shown the benefits of person-to-person exchange of ideas and information relative to the FFA.

Programs should involve more teachers, and communications within the FFA itself about international activities needs improvement. The committee makes these specific recommendations:

- \*1. First priority should be assigned to the developing countries. It was the feeling of the committee that existing programs in developed countries, being largely self-financed, should be continued without sacrifice.
- \*2. Establish on at least an exploratory basis a loan fund for the purpose of advancing travel expenses to exchangees from developing countries to be repaid by earnings in the work experience program in the U.S. Develop adequate guidelines for use in foreign countries to assure reasonable selection and understanding on the part of the exchangee. Local branches of international banks may also be utilized to guarantee loans.
3. Double present budget for the coming year.
4. The position of Manager of International Programs be made a full-time position as quickly as possible. He should begin to develop a long range plan of activities.
- \*5. Establish a permanent advisory committee on international programs which should include a representative of the Board of Directors, the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee, teacher of agriculture, a State FFA Executive Secretary, a State Supervisor, and a national officer. This committee should meet at least two times each year to study, continually evaluate, and make recommendations for the general improvement of the international programs.

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\*Indicate Board authorization to proceed with its implementation.



6. Create administrative channels for FFA international activities which will allow for the proper channeling of different types of activities to state, local and individual levels. States are encouraged to designate a staff person or teacher to be responsible for coordinating international activities at the state level.

Additional procedures that are recommended by the committee are included in the Appendix of this report. It should be stressed that as the program of international activities is developed, improved and extended into the developing nations, that immediate positive results cannot be expected. Just as progress in agricultural methods often takes generations, progress in establishing sound youth organizations will take time. But those who sincerely believe in the attributes of vocational agriculture education will be quick to realize that it must have top priority if we are to survive the problems of worldwide starvation.

Every effort needs to be made to help close the widening gap between developed and developing nations. Vocational agriculture and FFA should be a part of that effort.



COMPILATION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION -- It is recommended that a catalogue of international agencies and services be developed and made available to FFA chapters. This list would include worldwide organizations that provide services and assistance in developing nations, both public and private, and describe their programs in detail.

Continue to publish and expand the Future Farmer Globe, making it available to youth organizations in other countries, to Embassy personnel, AID and other government and private program personnel. Investigate channels of communication and endeavor to open them to all levels of FFA.

Search for Masters level thesis that have been written on establishing youth organizations patterned after FFA, particularly those applicable to the developing nations. Make this and other research information available on request.

Continue to fulfil requests for information on FFA and agricultural education, channeling requests to approximate persons or levels of the FFA organization.

FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES -- Current programs with youth organizations in developed countries should continue to be self-financed. The recommended loan fund will enable selected exchangeers from the developing countries to pursue a program of work experience education in the United States. FFA members going into the developing countries should have expenses shared by the local, state and national, as well as by the individual.

To this end, it is suggested that various means of funding should be explored including the Department of State; Cultural and Educational Bureaus; Ford, Rockefeller and other private foundations; U. N. Special Fund; Near East Foundation; Asian Fund; Lilly Endowment; Johnson's Wax and other companies operating internationally.

Other programs need to be explored to determine the feasibility of joint projects with other organizations such as FAO, UNESCO, Society for International Development, World Neighbors, Care, Heifer Project, Peace Corps, and existing rural youth organizations in the developed countries.



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FFA'S INVOLVEMENT IN NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR  
QUEEN OF THE AMERICAN ROYAL

The purpose of the committee is to discuss the American Royal's invitation to the FFA for involvement in nominating candidates for the Queen of the American Royal. This invitation comes as a result of the American Royal's desire to select a young lady who will represent and understand the agricultural industry. It must be emphasized that an FFA Queen is not being selected but that the FFA Organization is merely cooperating in securing candidates from the states for this honor. The winner will be crowned at the National FFA Convention.

Value of Participation to FFA

1. FFA's participation in nominating candidates for the American Royal will reaffirm the FFA's willingness to cooperate and work closely with the American Royal Association which has greatly assisted the FFA in many ways since its establishment in 1928.
2. Participation in the American Royal Queen program will open another avenue in bringing favorable attention and publicity to the organization.
3. The selection of the American Royal Queen at the Convention will add a desirable spirit, enthusiasm and excitement to the Convention.
4. The possibility of the American Royal Queen being eventually selected from the ranks of the FFA would exemplify the broadened and expanded program in vocational agriculture and FFA.

Problems to be Encountered by FFA Participation

1. The crowning of the Queen could possibly affect convention priorities in program planning.
2. Convention activities would need to be shifted to allow time in recognizing the young ladies and for crowning the Queen.
3. The Queen nominees would place some financial responsibility on the National and State Associations.
4. Publicity might not be put in proper perspective with other Convention activities.

Responsibilities of States

1. States will select nominee for the American Royal Queen.
  - a. Nominee may be a State Sweetheart or duly selected or appointed representative of the State Association who has an understanding of vocational agriculture and is representative of the agricultural industry;
  - b. Nominee must be at least 16, and preferably 18, years of age and show a high degree of maturity;
  - c. States must submit credentials of nominee to National FFA Office by September 15 together with room reservations request for her party.



- d. Nominee should possess such personal charm, social graces and speaking ability that will enable her to make a favorable impression at the various functions during the American Royal week.
2. Each state will be responsible for transportation to and from the Convention for its candidate and chaperone.
3. Make certain the candidate has proper authorization to remain out of school or college including the week of the American Royal (October 17-24).

#### Responsibilities of National

1. Arrange for chaperoning of Queen contestants while in Kansas City if not provided by the state. Wives of NVATA members would be possible chaperones.
2. Make hotel reservations for Queen candidates and chaperones on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights of the National Convention.
3. Procedures for coronation will be planned and conducted by the National Organization and American Royal officials. Crowning will take place Friday morning after the announcement of the new National Officers. Detailed information will be sent to the candidates relative to room, wardrobe, itinerary and other activities planned by the American Royal.

#### Responsibilities of American Royal Association

1. Responsible for panel of qualified judges to select the Queen and two Princesses.
2. Itinerary of candidates and Queen will be planned by the American Royal.
3. The living expenses of the Queen and her chaperone would be defrayed by the American Royal during her week in Kansas City (not to include travel to and return from Kansas City.)
4. The wardrobe for the Queen will be provided by the American Royal.

#### Responsibilities of Candidates

1. Meals and lodging and miscellaneous expenses of nominees will be the responsibility of the respective candidates.
2. Wardrobe will be the responsibility of candidates.
3. Follow guidelines set up for conduct, dress and performance. (To be supplied later).
4. Become familiar with basic aspects of agriculture and FFA.
5. Obtain proper authorization to remain out of school.
6. Arrive in Kansas City, Wednesday morning, October 14.



BUDGETFUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICAJULY 1, 1970 -- JUNE 30, 1971Estimated Receipts

Dues . . . . .	\$420,000.00	
Subscription Income from Non-Members . . . . .	20,000.00	
Royalties. . . . .	124,250.00	
Rent - Future Farmers Supply Service . . . . .	30,000.00	
Rent - National FFA Magazine . . . . .	10,000.00	
Interest on Savings . . . . .	9,000.00	
Reimbursement for telephone and telegraph - FFSS and Magazine. . . . .	6,600.00	
Reimbursement for Convention Set Up - FFSS and Magazine . . . . .	<u>1,200.00</u>	
 TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED . . . . .		\$621,050.00

Estimated Expenditures

## I. NATIONAL OFFICE EXPENSE

101 Salaries . . . . .	\$126,943.00	
102 Travel . . . . .	15,000.00	
103 Supplies . . . . .	6,100.00	
104 Telephone and Telegraph . . . . .	8,200.00	
105 Postage and Express . . . . .	3,500.00	
106 Repairs & Adjustments, Office Equipment . .	1,000.00	
107 Legal . . . . .	4,000.00	
108 Auditing . . . . .	3,200.00	
109 Subscriptions . . . . .	50.00	
110 Stenographic Expense for National Officers .	500.00	
111 Equipment for National Officers . . . . .	1,200.00	
112 Brochures, Booklets . . . . .	200.00	
113 Insurance . . . . .	4,000.00	
114 Social Security and Retirement . . . . .	11,600.00	
115 Miscellaneous and Petty Cash . . . . .	<u>500.00</u>	\$185,993.00

## II. NATIONAL FFA MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

201 Members . . . . .	\$210,000.00	
202 Non-Members . . . . .	<u>20,000.00</u>	\$230,000.00



III.	PUBLIC RELATIONS		
301	FFA Week Materials. . . . .	\$ 7,000.00	
302	Complimentary Subscriptions to Magazine . . . . .	800.00	
303	FFA Calendars . . . . .	700.00	
304	Photography . . . . .	4,000.00	
305	Publicity and Promotion:		
	a. Special activities . . . . .	1,200.00	
	b. Promotional materials (Print and Electronic) . . . .	3,000.00	
	c. Displays. . . . .	500.00	
	d. Special Promotion (Radio, TV tapes, etc.) . . .	800.00	
306	Free Lance Writers . . . . .	1,000.00	
307	Syndicated Service . . . . .	500.00	
308	Professional Dues . . . . .	175.00	
309	Special Art Work and Signs. . . . .	<u>300.00</u>	\$ 19,975.00
IV.	TRAVEL		
401	National Officers . . . . .	\$ 26,500.00	
402	Board of Directors . . . . .	3,500.00	
403	Board Meeting - Secretarial . . . .	300.00	
404	Ad Hoc Committees . . . . .	4,000.00	
405	Special FFA Promotion . . . . .	1,000.00	
406	Consultant - Past National President	<u>1,000.00</u>	\$ 36,300.00
V.	NATIONAL CONVENTION		
501	Delegate Expense. . . . .	\$ 7,500.00	
502	Pageant - Star Farmer-Ag-Business .	1,000.00	
503	National Band . . . . .	3,000.00	
504	National Chorus . . . . .	3,000.00	
505	Secretarial Travel and Expense. . .	2,000.00	
506	Talent. . . . .	500.00	
507	Career Show . . . . .	1,700.00	
508	FFA Sponsors Reception. . . . .	600.00	
509	Stenotypist . . . . .	800.00	
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511	Communications. . . . .	500.00	
512	Convention Set-up . . . . .	11,000.00	
513	Supplies. . . . .	1,400.00	
514	Express and trucking. . . . .	700.00	
515	Travel Expenses - Parents of Officers	1,500.00	
516	Rental & Insurance - Office Equipment	500.00	
517	Miscellaneous . . . . .	<u>1,260.00</u>	\$ 38,002.00
VI.	NATIONAL FFA CENTER		
601	Building-Maintenance, Fuel, Repair.	\$ 35,000.00	
602	Taxes . . . . .	5,000.00	
603	Center Development. . . . .	1,000.00	
604	Archives. . . . .	1,500.00	
605	Depreciation Reserve Fund . . . . .	32,590.00	
606	Equipment . . . . .	<u>5,900.00</u>	\$ 80,990.00



VII.	PRINTING			
701	Brochures, Handbooks & Publication . .	\$ 4,340.00		
702	FFA Convention Materials & Proceedings	<u>8,200.00</u>	\$	12,540.00
VIII.	INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES			
801	Travel and Subsistence . . . . .	\$ 3,000.00		
802	Publications, Mementos, etc. . . . .	<u>1,500.00</u>	\$	4,500.00
IX.	LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT			
901	National Leadership-Citizenship Conferences. . . . .	\$ 3,000.00		
902	Regional Leadership Conferences . . .	<u>2,500.00</u>	\$	5,500.00
X.	AWARDS . . . . .			7,000.00
XI.	CONTINGENT . . . . .			<u>250.00</u>
	TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES. . . . .			<u>\$621,050.00</u>



Committee ReportRevise Criteria for Selecting Teachers  
to Receive the Honorary American Farmer DegreePurpose of Committee Report

To allow more Vocational Agriculture Instructors to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree and provide a more comprehensive basis for selection.

Purpose of Award

The purpose of the Honorary American Farmer Degree is to recognize and honor outstanding teachers of Vocational Agriculture. They are recognized by their peers for making an outstanding contribution to their profession, youth and adults in the community and to the agricultural industry.

The committee recommended that 50 Agricultural Teachers and not more than 75 be awarded the degree of Honorary American Farmer annually. It is further proposed that the guidelines for selection of the Honorary American Farmer Degree be developed by the NVATA and report be given by their representative at the January 1971 Board Meeting. These guidelines, if approved, would go into effect in 1971.

Each State Association will recommend its quota of candidates on the basis of guidelines set up by the NVATA. A candidate must be a Vocational Agriculture Teacher and eligible for membership in the NVATA.

The committee, having surveyed the number of Vocational Agriculture Instructors within a State and who are eligible members of the NVATA, recommends the following scale in accordance with the number of Vocational Agriculture Teachers in the State.

0-25	Vo-Ag Teachers	- One candidate every 4 years
26-50	" "	- One candidate every 3 years
51-75	" "	- One candidate every 2 years
76-100	" "	- One candidate every year
101-200	" "	- Two candidates every year
201-350	" "	- Three candidates every year
351- & Over	" "	- Four candidates every year

In the event of an unusual situation, it is understood that the Board shall have the prerogative to grant the degree to a worthy recipient recommended by a State FFA Association not eligible in accordance with the above scale. In keeping with the recommendations of this committee of 50 Honorary American Farmers and not more than 75, this scale shows 44 to be the lowest number of recipients and 66 to be the highest number to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. Recommendations by the State Associations shall be submitted to the National Office by the State FFA Advisor no later than June 15.

Respectfully submitted

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John Lacey, Dr. Noakes, Glenn McDowell, W. P. Gray  
Dennis Pharris, Secretary to the Committee



PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL FFA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL FFA BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS  
TO THE DELEGATE BODY, 1970 NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

ARTICLE II - Section A.

Amend, by adding the following sentence at the end of the paragraph:  
"More than one chapter may be chartered in a school when appropriate."

ARTICLE II - Section C.

Amend, by deleting the present Section C and inserting the following new Section C:

(New) Section C. -- Collegiate

"Collegiate chapters may be established in two or four year institutions where agriculture courses are taught. Membership shall be opened to students enrolled in agricultural courses, or who are pursuing career objectives in the industry of agriculture.

"Each collegiate chapter shall be chartered by and maintained under the authority of the respective State Association.

"All activities of the collegiate chapter of FFA shall be in harmony with the purposes, principles and ideals of the FFA organization.

"Activities for FFA collegiate chapter members shall be based upon the needs and interests of its members.

"Collegiate chapter members shall pay State and National FFA dues."

ARTICLE III - Section A - Paragraph 1.

Amend, by striking out June 15 and inserting May 1, and by striking out June 1 and inserting April 15.

ARTICLE IV - Section B - Paragraph 2

Authorize the editing of this paragraph and all paragraphs in the Constitution and Bylaws by deleting the word "his" and rewording to appropriately refer to 'members'. For example: "Members may retain their active membership continuously throughout their entire high school career....."

Section B - Paragraph 3 - Line 27 -- Amend, by striking out 25th and inserting 23rd.



ARTICLE IV - Section D - "Collegiate Membership"

Amend by deleting present Section D and substituting the following:

Section D - "Collegiate membership may include students enrolled in agricultural courses and former active members of chartered local chapters who are enrolled in a two or four year institution having a collegiate chapter."

ARTICLE V - Section A

Amend to delete the word "farmer" and insert "FFA Degree".  
The section to read as follows:

"There shall be four degrees of active membership based upon achievement.

"These are (1) Greenhand; (2) Chapter ~~Farmer~~; <sup>FFA Degree</sup>  
(3) State ~~Farmer~~; <sup>FFA Degree</sup> and (4) American ~~Farmer~~. <sup>FFA Degree</sup>

Section C. - Paragraph 7.

Amend by striking out "\$50.00" and inserting "\$100.00".

Section D - Paragraph 2

Amend by inserting "and" after the word "agriculture" on Line 3 and delete remaining words in this paragraph after the phrase "Occupational Experience Program." This paragraph to read as follows:

"Must have satisfactorily completed at least two years of instruction in vocational agriculture and have in operation an outstanding supervised farming and/or other occupational experience program."

Section D - Paragraph 6

Amend by deleting the figures "\$500.00" and insert the figures "\$1,000.00".

Section D - Paragraph 8

Line 9 - Delete "2%" and insert "3%".

Section E - Paragraph 3

Amend by striking out "\$1,000" and inserting "\$2,500".



ARTICLE VI - Section A

Amend by striking out "June 15" and inserting "May 1" and by striking out "June 1" and inserting "April 15". This paragraph to read:

"...computed on the basis of National dues received in the office of the National FFA Treasurer by midnight of May 1 or shown by postmark or other reliable evidence to have been mailed to the National FFA Treasurer on or before April 15."

ARTICLE VII - Section D

Delete the word "Farmer" and substitute "FFA Degree recipients".

ARTICLE VIII - Section D

Delete the present paragraph and substitute for it the following new paragraph:

"The Nominating Committee shall consist of two qualified National Convention delegates from each region. They shall be selected by the national FFA Vice President and the adult members of the National FFA Board of Directors from the respective regions. The committee chairman will be selected from the official delegates at large. At least one, and preferable two, adults should be selected to serve as consultants to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall be selected immediately prior to the opening session of the National Convention."