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Sent to: Head State Supervisors and Teacher Educators in Agriculture/Agribusiness~Education

Sent by: H. N. Hunsicker, Education Program Specialist
Agriculture/Agribusiness/Natural Resources Occupations--and
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Subject: Transmittal of Minutes, Meeting National FFA Board of Directors and National FFA Officers, January 26-29, 1976, and Important Notices

Enclosed is a copy of the Minutes of the January 26-29, 1976, Meeting of the National FFA Board of Directors and National FFA Officers. The Minutes and the accompanying Appendix include information with which you, your staff, State Officers and others responsible for FFA activities should be well acquainted.

Each State FFA Advisor and/or State Executive Secretary is requested to forward to the National FFA Executive Secretary, no later than June 15, 1976, appropriate amendments to the National FFA Constitution and Bylaws. These amendments should have the official approval of the State FFA Association. Such amendments will be reviewed by the National Officers and Board of Directors in July, and approved amendments forwarded to States prior to the 1976 National FFA Convention.

Important Notices

Change in Telephone Numbers -- The National FFA Advisor and the National FFA Executive Secretary continue to have the same telephone numbers as previously, (202) 245-9824 and (202) 245-9813 respectively. However, the Office of Education has installed a new rotary system. In addition to the above two numbers, henceforth when the above lines are busy, the following telephone numbers may be used: (202) 245-3478/3479 or 3480. The telephone number at the National FFA Center remains the same (703) 360-3600.

National OE Sponsored Seminar -- Persons who are planning to attend the OE Sponsored National Seminar in Agriculture/Agribusiness Education in Kansas City, Missouri, March 22-25, 1976, should make their hotel reservations immediately with Mr. Harold Bosworth, General Manager, Continental Hotel, Baltimore at 11th, Kansas City, Missouri 64105. Reservations, thus far, have been received from 47 States and Puerto Rico.

The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine staff has an opening for an advertising sales person. This person should be well acquainted with Vocational Agriculture, FFA, be interested in sales or have sales experience, and be willing to travel extensively. Interested persons should contact Mr. Wilson W. Carnes, Editor, The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, National FFA Center, P. O. Box 15130, Alexandria, Virginia 22309; telephone number (703) 360-3600.

The Tenth International Course on Vocational Education and Teaching in Agriculture will be held in Switzerland, August 10-27, 1976. The Conference is sponsored by several UN agencies (ILO, UNESCO, FAO) and the Swiss Government. It includes lectures by well known agricultural education specialists, discussions, and excursions to farms, schools and agribusiness. The Course will be offered by the Sam Houston State University for 3 hours of graduate credit in vocational education. Estimated costs including college fee, airfare from New York, the Seminar, and board and room, are \$1,250.00. Details can be obtained from Dr. Ray Agan, Vocational Education Department, College of Applied Arts and Sciences, Sam Houston State University, Box 2094, Huntsville, Texas 77340, or from the National FFA Center.

Enclosed for your information and use is a copy of an advanced news release pertaining to the upcoming USOE Sponsored Seminar on Agriculture/Agribusiness, scheduled for March 22-25, 1976, in Kansas City, Missouri. You are at liberty to duplicate as many copies of this news release as you need for release to newspapers in your State.

Dr. Gladys R. Tinney is the new State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Alasaka.

Cc: State FFA Executive Secretaries

Enclosures