

**National FFA Foundation Board Of Trustees**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 25, 2000**

The official photo was taken of the Board of Trustees. The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. was called to order at 3:40p.m. by Larry D. Case, president, at the Eisenhower Holiday Inn, Alexandria, Virginia. Jana Register was unable to attend this meeting.

*Those members of the Board present were:*

**Larry D. Case**, Chairperson of the Board and Coordinator, Agricultural & Rural Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C.

**James Dawley**, NAAE Senior Vice President, Region II and Instructor – Agricultural Education, Mexia High School, Mexia, TX

**Marion Fletcher**, National FFA Foundation Treasurer; Supervisor for Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Little Rock, AR

**Ernie Gill**, Program Manager, Agricultural Education, Colorado Community College & Occupational Education System, Denver, CO

**Tommy Gladden**, State FFA Advisor, Clemson University, Clemson, SC

**Steve Gratz**, U.S. Department of Education Representative; Supervisor, Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Columbus, OH

**C. Coleman Harris**, Secretary, National FFA Foundation and Education Program Specialist, Agriculture, Division of Vocational-Technical Education, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C.

**David Howell**, AAAE Representative & Professor and Coordinator, Adult and Occupational Education Program, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

**Karen Hutchison**, Education Associate, Agricultural Occupations, State Department of Public Instruction, Dover, DE

**Paul Jaure**, NAAE President Elect and Instructor – Agricultural Education, Beeville High School, Beeville, TX

**Barbara Kirby**, U.S. Department of Education Representative; Assistant Director of Academic Programs, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC

**Vicki Lantz**, U.S. Department of Education Representative; Instructor – Agricultural Education, Big Spring High School, Newville, PA

**Ron Reische**, Principal Consultant, Agricultural Education, Illinois State Board of Education, Springfield, IL

**Ricky Sellers**, Assistant Program Manager, Agricultural Education, Colorado Community College & Occupational Education System, Denver, CO

**Robert Terry**, Associate Professor, Agricultural Education, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK

**Chris Vitelli**, President, National FFA Officer, Plant City, FL

**Others Present:**

**Jim Bishop**, Regional Director, National FFA Foundation, Indianapolis, IN

**David Doerfert**, Student Services Team Leader, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, IN

**Dean Folkers**, Partner Development Team Leader, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, IN

**Tammy Meyer**, Team Leader, National FFA Foundation, Indianapolis, IN

**Bill Stagg**, Team Leader, Communications Resources Team, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, IN

**Bernie Staller**, COO, National FFA Organization & National FFA Foundation, Indianapolis, IN

**Scott Stump**, Communications Resources Team, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, IN

1. **Approval Of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Moved by Robert Terry, seconded by Ernie Gill **and carried** to approve the July 21, 1999 National FFA Foundation Trustees meeting minutes and the October 28, 1999 National FFA Foundation Executive Committee meeting minutes.

2. **Introductions**

The members introduced themselves. Dr. Case welcomed the Board of Trustees. The new members are Chris Vitelli, David Howell, Paul Jaure, James Dawley and Ricky Sellers. Larry Gundrum of Kraft, the National FFA Foundation 2001 Sponsor's Board Chairman, was named recently and will attend the next Trustees Meeting.

3. **Financial And Investment Reports**

Marion Fletcher, National FFA Foundation Treasurer, presented the December 1999 Monthly Investment Summary and the 1999 Financial Information report. The audit will be approved in July. (*Attachment A*)

**MOTION:** Moved by James Dawley, seconded by Paul Jaure **and carried** to accept the report of the National FFA Foundation Treasurer.

4. **Program Development And Direction Committee**

David Doerfert presented the Student Services Team project for funding:

**MOTION:** Moved by Chris Vitelli, seconded by Ron Reische **and carried** to approve New Century Farmers and request special project funding from the National FFA Foundation for the annual operation of this program.

Bernie Staller presented the following for approval:

**MOTION:** Moved by Barbara Kirby, seconded by Nick Siddle **and carried** to accept the attached policy relative to advertising, exhibition and sale of guns, knives and ammunition and that this policy be placed in the policy book in Division II., Section D. General, Item 12 and request that the national advisor send the adopted policy to local and state leaders encouraging them to adopt similar policies. (*Attachment B*)

**MOTION:** Moved by Ricky Sellers, seconded by Coleman Harris **and carried** to accept to add the official dress statement which is presently in the CDE Handbook to the FFA Board Policy Book in Division I., Section F., Career Development Events, Item 11. Participants are expected to observe the National FFA Code of Ethics and the Proper Use of the FFA Jacket during the career development events. (Please see the latest edition of the Official FFA Manual.) Official FFA dress is *highly recommended* for all participants where appropriate and is *required* for the awards presentation and recognition.

Dean Folkers presented the Teacher Services Team project for funding:

**MOTION:** **Moved by** David Howell, seconded by Paul Jaure **and carried** to accept a proposal to Hitachi Foundation to assist in the creation of the agricultural sciences magnet school and FFA Chapter in the greater Minneapolis area as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Bill Stagg presented the Communications Resources Team project for funding:

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Karen Hutchison, seconded by James Dawley **and carried** to approve the Information Systems and Technology Plan (IST) as presented; to appropriate funding as outlined in the attached IST Funding request; to authorize implementation of the IST plan as presented; and to request special project funding as appropriate from the National FFA Foundation Board of Trustees. (*Attachment C*)

**5. National FFA Foundation**

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Marion Fletcher, seconded by Paul Jaure **and carried** to approve capital equipment purchases for the Development and Partnerships Division Director and administrative support including 1. Furniture purchases and moves (2) in the amount of \$2,450 and 2. Computers and phones for new staff (2) in the amount of \$3,500, for a total of \$5,950.

**6. 2000 Chairperson Report Of The FFA Foundation Sponsor's Board**

Tammy Meyer presented words on behalf of Bud Porter, who was unable to attend this meeting due to a recent operation. The chair and the board wish Bud good luck and godspeed for a speedy recovery and expressed thanks for his service for the youth of America.

**7. National Council For Agricultural Education (The Council)**

Rosco Vaughn, Executive Director was unable to attend this meeting. There were no funding requests.

**8. National Association For Agricultural Educators (NAAE)**

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Paul Jaure, seconded by James Dawley **and carried** to request assistance from the National FFA Foundation to secure special project funding for the NAAE Outstanding Postsecondary and/or Adult Agricultural Education Program Award.

**9. Report From The National FFA Alumni Association**

No proposals were submitted.

**10. 2000 Budget Report**

Marion Fletcher gave a report on the 2000 National FFA Foundation budget. (*Attachment D*)

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Robert Terry, seconded by David Howell **and carried** to accept the National FFA Foundation 2000 budget, starting January 1, 2000.

**11. Executive Committee appointments:**

Larry Case, Coleman Harris, Bud Porter and Chris Vitelli are on the 2000 Executive Committee based upon positions held.

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Ricky Sellers, seconded by Karen Hutchison **and carried** to accept the nominations for the executive committee for 2000 as listed - Tommy Gladden as the *state supervisor*, Robert Terry as the *teacher educator*, Ricky Sellers as the *executive secretary* and Nick Siddle as the *teacher*.

**MOTION:** **Moved by** Ron Reische, seconded by Barbara Kirby **and carried** to approve Tommy Gladden as the *vice president* of the 2000 Executive Committee.

**12. Comments from Retiring Board Members**

Barbara Kirby, Ernie Gill and Karen Hutchison provided retiring comments.

**13. Announcements**

The next meeting of the National FFA Foundation Board of Trustees will be held Tuesday at 4:00p.m. on July 18, 2000 in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.

**MOTION:** **Moved by** James Dawley, seconded by Ricky Sellers **and carried** to adjourn the meeting at 4:15p.m.

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C. Coleman Harris, Secretary

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Larry D. Case, President