

MINUTES
GOVERNING COMMITTEE OF THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA
Washington, D.C.

June 8, 1951

The meeting was called to order by Chairman W. T. Spanton. Those in attendance included E. J. Johnson and R. E. Naugher, members of the committee, and A. W. Tenney, secretary.

A discussion was held concerning an advertisement which appeared in the recent issue of the Texas Future Farmer. The advertisement was from the Chapter Supply Company and featured FFA jackets bearing the official FFA emblem.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson that Dr. W. T. Spanton send a letter to the Chapter Supply Company asking them to cease and desist in advertising and selling items bearing the official emblem of the Future Farmers of America, the letters, "FFA," and the words, "Future Farmers of America"; motion seconded by Mr. Naugher and carried.

October 24, 1951

A special meeting was called to order by Dr. W. T. Spanton, Chairman of the Committee, in Room 4282. Those present were: E. J. Johnson, R. E. Naugher, committee members, and A. W. Tenney, who served as secretary.

The meeting was called to consider the advisability of raising the salaries of the Director of Public Relations, his secretary, and the secretary to the Executive Secretary of the Future Farmers of America. The Executive Secretary explained that it has been customary for employees of the FFA, located in the Washington office, to receive the same annual and sick leave, and salaries in line with Government employees. Since the Federal employees received a pay increase, retroactive to July 8, it was considered advisable to make this same increase in the salaries to FFA employees.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Naugher, and passed that the salaries of FFA employees in Washington receive the same percentage increases as those employed by the Federal Government.

It was then moved, and seconded that the meeting should be adjourned at 10:30 a.m., October 24, 1951.

March 24, 1952

A special meeting was called to order by Chairman W. T. Spanton in Room 4282. Those present were: E. J. Johnson, R. E. Naugher, committee members, and A. W. Tenney, secretary.

The major purpose of the meeting was to consider the employment of an editor for the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER magazine. After due consideration of a number of prospects recommended for this position, the following motion was made: it was moved by Mr. Naugher, seconded by Mr. Johnson and passed, that we employ Lano Barron as editor of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, and that we pay him a salary of \$8500.00 per year. His salary shall be increased to \$8600.00 on January 1, 1953. A \$200 increase will be made each eighteen months thereafter, until his salary reaches the top of the equivalent of Grade 13 in Civil Service. He will receive the same vacation, sick leave, and travel allowance as regular Government employees.

April 25, 1952

A meeting of the Governing Committee was held in the office of Dr. W. T. Spanton. Those present included: W. T. Spanton, Chairman; R. E. Naugher, and E. J. Johnson, committee members; and A. W. Tenney, secretary.

A number of problems were discussed in connection with the obtaining of circulation for the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER magazine. It was moved by Mr. Naugher, seconded by Mr. Johnson and passed, that State Associations be given a ten per cent discount on the subscription price of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER for promoting the magazine and collecting and submitting typed lists of subscribers to the national office of the magazine.

It was agreed that the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER should pay \$5.00 for black and white and \$10.00 for colored pictures when published and that an appropriate price should be paid for news articles and stories. The rate of payment for the stories and articles is to be determined after an investigation of rates by the editor.

June 2, 1952

A special meeting was called to order by Chairman W. T. Spanton in Room 4282. Those present were: E. J. Johnson, R. E. Naugher, committee members, and A. W. Tenney, secretary. Also present were: Lano Barron, Editor of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, and John Farrar, Director of Public Relations of the FFA.

A discussion was held concerning the way in which advertising space in the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER should be sold. It was finally decided that a publisher's representative will not be used to sell advertising, except perhaps on the west coast.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Naugher, and passed that Mr. Barron contact Mr. William Prince of Laredo, Texas, concerning the position of advertising manager of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, and that Mr. Barron be authorized to offer

Mr. Prince \$6,000.00 per year starting July 1, 1952, and that travel expenses be paid Mr. Prince on the same basis as expenses paid the government employees and that necessary clerical service be provided. In addition to his basic salary, he will receive a commission bonus on advertising, above the first thirty pages per issue, based on the prevailing black and white body page rate as follows: 2% on the first five pages; 3% on the next ten pages; and 4% on the next ten pages. Beyond this point an arrangement will be worked out when and if it becomes necessary. He will receive the same vacation, sick leave, and travel allowance as regular Government employees.

June 23, 1952

The Governing Committee of the Future Farmers of America was called to order by W. T. Spanton, Chairman, in Room 4282. Those present were: E. J. Johnson, R. E. Naugher, committee members, and A. W. Tenney, secretary. Also present were: Lano Barron, Editor of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, and Bill Prince, Advertising Manager of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER.

Mr. Barron presented a summary of the bids received for printing the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER. After careful consideration, it was moved by Mr. Naugher that, on the basis of the bids submitted, the contract for printing the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER on a quarterly basis for twelve months be awarded to the Kable Printing Company of Chicago and Mt. Morris, Illinois. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried.

Mr. Barron and Mr. Prince raised a question concerning the amount of circulation we would guarantee for the first issue. A review was made of the States that had voted to subscribe 100%, and of the replies received from other States. After careful consideration, it was moved by Mr. Johnson that we guarantee that a minimum of 100,000 copies of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER will be printed and distributed of the first issue, October 1. This motion was seconded by Mr. Naugher and passed.

Mr. Barron inquired about the policy concerning complimentary copies of the magazine. It was agreed that it will be necessary, in the future, to prepare a list of individuals, organizations, and companies that are to receive complimentary copies. It was moved by Mr. Naugher that all professional workers in Agricultural Education not be given complimentary copies of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER; motion seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Tenney
A. W. Tenney, Committee Secretary

W. T. Spanton
W. T. Spanton, Chairman