

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

Washington, D.C.  
Jan. 25-26, 1962

January 25, 1962

The meeting of the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors of the Future Farmers of America was called to order at 9:15 a.m., in the offices of the Agricultural Education Branch, U. S. Office of Education, by Dr. A. W. Tenney, Chairman. Board members present, in addition to Dr. Tenney, included:

Board of Directors

Mr. W. E. Gore, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Columbia, S.C.;  
Mr. H. R. Damisch, Chief, Agricultural Education, Springfield, Ill.;  
Mr. M. G. Linson, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Denver, Colo.;  
Mr. H. E. Edwards, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Charleston,  
W. Va.;  
Mr. E. J. Johnson, Mr. H. N. Hunsicker, Mr. H. F. Duis, and Dr. M. C.  
Gaar, all of the Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

Board of Student Officers

Victor Butler, National FFA President, Havana, Florida;  
Richard C. Black, National FFA Student Secretary, Prairie Grove, Ark.;  
Randall McCutcheon, National FFA Vice President, Reedy, West Virginia;  
James Prewitt, National FFA Vice President, Kirbyville, Texas;  
Darryl Eastvold, National FFA Vice President, Mayville, N. Dak., and  
Keith N. Simmons, National FFA Vice President, Enterprise, Oregon.

Mr. R. E. Naugher, Assistant Director of the Agricultural Education Branch, Washington, D. C.; Mr. Wm. Paul Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary, Washington, D. C.; Mr. John Farrar, Director of Public Relations and Information for the FFA, Washington, D. C.; and Mr. J. M. Campbell, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, and National FFA Treasurer, Richmond, Virginia, also were present.

Approval of  
Previous  
Minutes

It was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Randall McCutcheon and carried that the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with and the Minutes be accepted as previously mimeographed and distributed to the States. It was moved by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Dr. Tenney then made appropriate remarks relative to the responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the Board of Student Officers.

Report of  
National  
Treasurer

Copies of the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures of the Future Farmers of America for the six-month period from July 1, 1961 through December 31, 1961 were distributed and explained by Mr. J. M. Campbell, National FFA Treasurer. This statement was reviewed in detail.

Approval of  
Treasurer's  
Report

It was moved by Keith Simmons, seconded by James Prewitt and carried that the report of the National Treasurer be approved. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Gaar and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Report on  
New Warehouse  
Addition to  
FFA Building

Mr. Harry J. Andrews, Assistant Manager of the Future Farmers Supply Service, gave a report on the new addition to the FFA Building, which will provide additional storage space. He stated that the footings have been poured, the cinder blocks were on the site, and that the building should be completed in the early summer. He stated that present plans call for a one-story building, but the construction was such that an additional floor could be added, if necessary, at some time in the future without changing the outside appearance of the building.

Report on  
NFF  
Magazine

Mr. Wilson Carnes, Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine appeared before the group and distributed copies of a Mid-Year Report covering operations of the magazine for the period ending December 31, 1961. This report was reviewed in detail.

There was considerable discussion of the need for increasing the number of issues, as well as the subscription rate of the FFA Magazine. It was explained by Mr. Carnes that the original subscription price of 25 cents per year provided for only four issues. At a later date, the Board of Directors authorized that the number of issues be increased to six issues per year, but made no recommendation regarding an increase in the subscription price.

Since the magazine was started in 1952, all costs, including salaries, printing, and mailing have increased. Due to these increased costs and the increased number of issues a year, the magazine is having difficulty meeting production costs.

Increased  
Subscription  
Rate for NFF  
Magazine

After further discussion, it was pointed out that if the subscription price could be increased to 50 cents a year, it would be possible to meet production costs, increase the number of pages of editorial material, and also maintain the quality of the magazine. It was then moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by James Prewitt and carried that as of July 1, 1962, the subscription rate to the National FUTURE FARMER Magazine be increased to 50 cents per year. It was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers. The vote was unanimous.

New Rates for  
Pictures and  
Articles Used  
in the Magazine  
and Calendar

Mr. Carnes requested and received approval from the Boards to increase the maximum rate of payment on transparencies used on the cover of the magazine and in the official FFA calendar to \$100.00 each, black and white photographs to \$7.50 each, and 4 cents per word for articles used in the magazine.

Report on  
Official FFA  
Calendar

Mr. Howard Carter, who heads the magazine's calendar department, gave a favorable report on the official FFA calendar, and displayed charts showing that sales are gradually increasing.

Calendar  
Cover  
Paintings

Mr. Carter requested authorization from the Boards to engage a new artist to paint the cover for the 1964 calendar. Mr. Carter stated that at present we are paying \$1,500 for the original painting for the calendar cover, and he felt that a considerable amount of money could be saved by engaging a new artist, with the approval of the Governing Committee. It was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Keith Simmons and carried that Mr. Carter be given authorization to engage a new artist for the 1964 calendar cover painting. It was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Suggested  
Themes for  
1964 Calendar  
Cover

Mr. Carter then asked the Boards for suggestions for a theme to be used on the cover of the 1964 FFA calendar. Several suggestions were made, some of which follow:

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Patriotism                            | American Heritage         |
| Farm Safety                           | Community Service         |
| State Camp                            | Livestock Loss Prevention |
| Scene with Capitol in the background. |                           |

Mr. Carter suggested that sometime in the future consideration be given to a calendar cover carrying a scene from the Star American Farmer ceremony.

It was then moved by Randall McCutcheon, seconded by Darryl Eastvold and carried that the Magazine staff consider the suggestions of the Boards, select an appropriate theme for the 1964 calendar cover, and then present their ideas to the Governing Committee for final approval. It was moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Report on  
Future Farmers  
Supply Service

Mr. Andrews presented and reviewed the Mid-Year Report of the FFA Supply Service for the period ending December 31, 1961.

Show Ribbons  
for State and  
County Fairs  
Approved

Mr. Andrews displayed a variety of show ribbons for use at State and County Fairs, and stated that if the Boards approved the sale of these ribbons, the Supply Service would start out on a small scale to see how the ribbons sell, and that the employees would also do the imprinting on the ribbons. It was moved by James Prewitt, seconded by Richard Black and carried that the Supply Service be authorized to stock and sell show ribbons. It was moved by Mr. Damisch, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Distinguished  
Service  
Plaque  
Approved

Mr. Andrews then presented a sample of a new "Distinguished Service Plaque" and asked to have this item included in the Future Farmers Supply Service catalog, purchase of same to be limited to State Associations and the National Organization. It was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Keith Simmons and carried that permission be given to place this item in the catalog and limit the purchase of same to State Associations and the National Organization. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Gaar and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Star Chapter  
Farmer Plaque  
Approved

Mr. Andrews also showed the group several suggested designs for a plaque to be used on the local chapter level for the winner of the Star Chapter Farmer award. After reviewing the several designs, it was moved by Randall McCutcheon, seconded by James Prewitt and carried that the Supply Service be authorized to stock and sell a new "Star Chapter Farmer" award plaque, using the sketch selected by the group. It was moved by Mr. Linson, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Farm Proficiency  
Award Plaque  
Not Approved

Several requests have been received by the Supply Service to stock a small plaque for Farm Proficiency Award winners on the local chapter level. During the discussion, it was pointed out that the FFA Foundation provides attractive medals for these award winners on the local level. After further discussion, it was moved by Richard Black, seconded by Randall McCutcheon and carried that the Supply Service not be authorized to carry a plaque for local chapter winners of the Farm Proficiency awards. It was moved by Mr. Damisch, seconded by Mr. Linson and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Certificate of  
Appreciation  
Discussed

Several requests have also been received by the Supply Service to have a certificate "of appreciation" for presentation to mothers of FFA members for use on the local chapter level. It was pointed out that a certificate that can be used for this purpose is now listed in the catalog.

Outdoor  
Billboard  
Posters to  
be Handled by  
Supply Service

A question was raised regarding the Future Farmers Supply Service handling sale of outdoor billboard posters for National FFA Week. It was explained that the program was begun by the Texas Association in 1960, with a few nearby States joining to purchase and display the posters. Due to their experience, the Texas Association was requested to continue the Billboard Poster Program in 1961, and to provide information to all the States, with the understanding that the National Organization would handle the distribution in 1962 (for FFA Week in 1963). It was reported that more than 1,400 of the billboard posters were distributed for FFA Week in 1962, and that orders from several States were returned because they arrived after the deadline. In discussion, it was suggested that the posters for FFA Week in 1963 be prepared without dating, so they might appropriately remain in place after FFA Week in cases where billboard advertisers did not have paid advertisements to replace them.

It was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Keith Simmons and carried that the Supply Service be authorized to handle the sale of outdoor billboard posters for National FFA Week. It was moved by Mr. Damisch, seconded by Mr. Linson and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Relationship of  
Vo-ag Students  
in Alaska, V.I.,  
and Guam in Regard  
to Membership in  
National FFA  
Organization

The Boards then discussed the relationship of Vocational Agriculture students in Alaska, the Virgin Islands, and Guam in regard to their membership in the National FFA Organization.

It was pointed out that under the present Constitution, it is not possible, in the absence of a State Association, for these students of Vocational Agriculture to hold active membership in the National Organization. It was moved by Richard Black, seconded by Keith Simmons and carried that Mr. Johnson and Dr. Gaar find out if these territories and Alaska desire to become active members by paying dues to the National FFA Organization. It was moved by Mr. Gore, seconded by Dr. Gaar and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained. It was suggested that the Constitution be changed so that students of Vocational Agriculture in areas that are not large enough to have a State Association may become members of the FFA.

The meeting was recessed at 5:00 p.m.

January 26, 1962

The meeting was reconvened at 9:15 a.m. with all members of both Boards present.

States Requested  
to Set Up Com-  
mittee to Certify  
American Farmer  
Candidates

The first item for consideration was a proposal to have a Committee set up in the States that would review the applications of the American Farmer Degree candidates.

During the discussion, it was pointed out that a State Committee would be in a better position than the National FFA Board of Directors and the Board of Student Officers to determine whether the applicant meets all of the qualifications for the American Farmer Degree. The State Committee will review each applicant's records, discuss his program with the supervisor who visited the applicant's farm, and therefore be better qualified to say whether or not he should receive the degree. It was suggested that a certification form be developed, which would be signed by the members of the committee; one certification form to be used as a cover letter for all the applications submitted by a State.

It was moved by Richard Black, seconded by Keith Simmons and carried that each State Association be requested to set up a committee, including at least two persons who are not working in the field of vocational agriculture, to review the applications of the American Farmer Degree candidates, and to certify that the applicants are qualified. Where this is done, the Board of Student Officers and the Board of Directors are expected to accept the State's recommendation, except in cases where spot-checking reveals serious deficiencies in the applications. This procedure is to be in effect for applications submitted in 1962. It was moved by Mr. Duis, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Changes in  
American  
Farmer  
Application  
Approved

Mr. Gray reviewed suggested changes in the American Farmer application form. After discussing the suggested changes, it was moved by Randall McCutcheon, seconded by James Prewitt and carried to approve the revisions made on the form, and have them effective and printed for a three-year period, starting in 1963. It was moved by Mr. Hunsicker, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Exploitation  
of National  
FFA Organization  
and/or Emblem

A considerable amount of time was devoted to discussing the matter of commercial concerns, and individuals writing directly to various FFA chapters and vocational agriculture departments concerning the sale of certain products and fund raising projects using the vocational agriculture or FFA name and/or emblem without proper approval. During the discussion that followed, it was suggested that this matter be presented to the Federal Trade Commission.

The following action had been taken by the Board of Directors at the October, 1961, meeting:

"In view of reports of several recent exploitations of the FFA, by commercial concerns and individuals, promoting the sale of their products, the Board of Directors reaffirms its position of long standing, urging local teachers of vocational agriculture to determine that approval has been given by the State Supervisors before they participate in any activity promoted by such concerns or individuals."

It was then moved by James Prewitt, seconded by Randall McCutcheon and carried that this situation be discussed at the forthcoming regional conferences and at State Teachers' Conferences. It was moved by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Duis and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

American  
United Life  
Insurance  
Proposal Not  
Approved

Mr. Naugher then discussed a proposal submitted to the National FFA Organization by the American United Life Insurance Company. After a short discussion, it was moved by James Prewitt, seconded by Randall McCutcheon and carried that the National Organization not sponsor any type of life insurance program. It was the general feeling of the group that this was entirely an individual matter for the boys and their parents, and that the National Organization shouldn't get involved in the insurance field. It was moved by Mr. Hunsicker, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

FFA Member  
Killed Near  
Kansas City

A short discussion was held in regards to the driver of the motor car that struck five FFA boys from New York, killing one and injuring the other four, prior to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City last fall.

It was moved by Keith Simmons, seconded by Darryl Eastvold and carried that a letter be written by Dr. Tenney to the Mayor of Kansas City to find out what disposition has been made of the case. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Suggested Change  
in Selecting  
First-place Public  
Speaking Winner  
not Approved

A discussion was held regarding the selection of the first-place winner in the National FFA Public Speaking Contest. It was suggested that if the majority of the judges select a boy as first-place winner, then their selection should take precedence over the present low-point system. After discussing the pros and cons, it was moved by James Prewitt, seconded by Randall McCutcheon and carried that no change be made in selecting the first-place winner in the National Public Speaking Contest. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Gaar and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Suggested Changes  
on the Public  
Speaking Form  
Approved

Mr. Gray then reviewed the suggested changes in the public speaking form. After discussing the suggested changes, it was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by James Prewitt and carried that the public speaking form be accepted, with the proposed changes, and be printed for a three-year period to go in effect in 1963. It was moved by Mr. Linson, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried to sustain the action of the Board of Student Officers.

Review of  
Honorary  
American  
Farmer Score  
Card

The Chairman next called for a review of the score card for selecting teachers to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. Copies of the form were distributed and carefully reviewed. It was then moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Richard Black and carried that, with the suggested changes, the criteria for selecting Honorary American Farmer Candidates be approved. It was moved by Dr. Gaar, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried that the action of the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

Report of the  
1961 Annual  
Meeting of the  
Special Study  
Committee for  
National FFA  
Judging Contests

Mr. Johnson presented for review the items contained in the Report of the Special Study Committee for National FFA Judging Contests and requested approval from the Boards on the following:

1. That the second sentence of rule 9 on page 24 of bulletin No. 4 be deleted;
2. That wing bands be used to identify birds in the poultry contest, which will permit the removal of birds from the cages for judging;
3. That contestants in the Dairy Products event be provided the scoring information for flavor and odor as given at top of page 13 of bulletin No. 4;
4. That group leaders wear arm bands so they may be readily identified during a contest, and
5. That in the Performance Pedigree Dairy Cattle Class, the type of classification not be provided on the individual animals judged.

No formal action was taken by the Board members, but without objection, the above changes were so ordered.

**National  
Crops Contest  
Discussed**

A short discussion was held concerning the desirability of a National Crops Contest, but it was suggested that this matter be deferred until the July Board meeting.

**Participation of  
Vo-ag Students  
from Guam, V.I.,  
and Alaska in  
National FFA  
Judging Contests**

The next matter for consideration was the question: "If Alaska, the Virgin Islands, or Guam send students of vocational agriculture to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, should they be allowed to participate in the National FFA Judging Contests?" It was moved by Darryl Eastvold, seconded by Richard Black and carried that these students of vocational agriculture be allowed to participate in the National FFA Judging events, if they so desire, but they will not be eligible to compete for awards offered for the participants. It was moved by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Linson and carried that the action taken by the Board of Student Officers be sustained.

**International  
Travel**

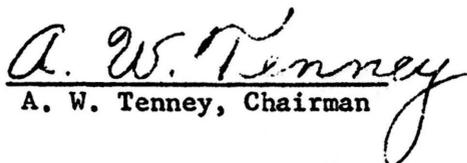
The question of international travel was discussed at length. Then it was moved by Richard Black, seconded by James Prewitt and carried that if an official invitation is received from the country of Peru that serious consideration be given to sending representatives to that country, and to the possibility of visiting other countries where Future Farmer organizations are being established; such as, in Panama and Columbia, South America. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Damisch and carried that the Board of Directors sustain the action taken by the Board of Student Officers.

**List of Hon.  
American Fmrms.  
to be Sent to  
States**

It was suggested that a list of all those who have previously received the Honorary American Farmer Degree, excluding the teachers of Vocational Agriculture, fathers of the National Officers and Star Farmers, be sent to the States so that they would not recommend people for the degree who have already received it in some previous year.

There being no further business to come before the Boards, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

  
Wm. Paul Gray, Secretary

  
A. W. Tenney, Chairman

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION  
FFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
JANUARY 1962**

**A. American Farmer Degree**

- 7-1952            **Reject all American Farmer Applications received after deadline.**
- 10-1953           **It is the states responsibility for having American Farmer Applications in top shape in the National FFA Office, but that they have the right to change the application until June 30.**
- 7-1960            **Any boy serving for a period of six months or more but less than a year, be given credit for one year of service.**
- 1-1961            **Candidates for the American Farmer degree may report debits, credits and labor income for all enterprises combined where records are kept on a farm account basis.**
- 1-1961            **American Farmer application shall be submitted by the state where the boy graduated from High School.**
- 7-1961            **"We, the Board of National Student Officers, after reviewing the 1961 applications for the degree of American Farmer, recommend that each State pay special attention to the suggestions made by each regional program planning specialist concerning errors and mis-information. And that the applications will be subject to rejection if any one of the 26 check items are violated.**
- "Therefore, we recommend that the applications for the American Farmer Degree in 1962, and all following years, be returned by the State Office to the FFA boy for final inspection for errors before being sent to the National Office. Applicants will be subject to rejection if errors are found in the application."**

**B. Honorary American Farmer Degree**

1-1953

Adopted the following criteria for the Honorary American Farmer Degree:

"Anyone who has made a contribution to vocational agriculture and the FFA above the State level may be considered for the Honorary American Farmer Degree. Selection for such honors should be distributed among workers and leaders in various professions, businesses and industries. A statement of the candidate's contributions shall be submitted on official qualification forms to the National Board of Student Officers for their consideration. Candidates recommended by individual States shall have the recommendations of the respective State FFA Association. In addition, all candidates must be present at the National Convention to receive the degree, unless the reason for not attending is acceptable to the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors."

1-1954

A new criteria for awarding the Honorary American Farmer Degree to chapter advisors is to be established by the National Board of Student Officers and the National Board of Directors of the FFA. The policy of awarding the degree to advisors of National Gold Emblem Chapters is to be discontinued. These criteria will be used as a basis for selecting teachers of vocational agriculture to receive the degree of Honorary American Farmer. The Boards authorized that not more than 25 degrees be awarded per year to teachers. Each applicant must have previously received the Honorary State Farmer Degree - Scorecard, Exhibit A

1-1954

The maximum number of Honorary American Farmers, to be awarded each year be set at approximately 50.

1-1955

Discontinued the awarding of Honorary American Farmer Degrees automatically to State Staff members who have served as superintendents of the various judging contests.

10-1955

Adopted a revised criteria for awarding the Honorary American Farmer Degree to teachers to vocational agriculture - Scorecard - Exhibit B

7-1956

Adopted the following criteria on awarding Honorary American Farmer Degrees:

"Anyone who has made an outstanding contribution to vocational agriculture and the FFA above the State level may be considered for the Honorary American Farmer degree. Selection for such honors should be distributed among workers and leaders in agricultural and other organizations. A statement of the candidates contributions shall be submitted to the National Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors for their consideration. Candidates must have the recommendations of the respective State, regional or National FFA or agricultural education groups."

- 10-1957            A special plaque be designed and presented to retiring members of the Board of Directors, Board of Trustees and past National FFA officers to be effective this year.
- 1-1958            The special plaque may be purchased by the states to be given to members of the Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, and past National Officers who served prior to 1957.
- 10-1958           The scorecard for Honorary American Farmer degree to Vo-Ag teachers was continued with no changes.
- 7-1961            The National Office shall provide the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors a list of persons being recommended to receive the Honorary American Farmer degree together with information concerning their qualifications. This material shall be sent out six months in advance of the July meeting.

**EXHIBIT A**  
**January 1954**

**Criteria For Selecting Teachers Of Vocational Agriculture**  
**To Receive The**  
**Honorary American Farmer Degree**

	<b><u>Points</u></b>
1. For each American Farmer . . . . .	90
2. For each National Officer. . . . .	90
3. For each year as Winner of Gold Emblem in National Chapter Contest . . . . .	100
4. For each year as Winner of Silver Emblem in National Chapter Contest . . . . .	40
5. For each Regional Star Farmer . . . . .	100
6. For each Winner Regional FFA Foundation Award - (Farm Electrification, Farm Mechanics, Farm Safety, Dairy Farming, and Soil and Water Management). . . . .	60
7. For each Winning Team of Gold Emblem Award in National Judging Contest . . . . .	40
8. For each American Farmer Established in Farming . . . . .	90
9. For each Speaker in National Public Speaking Contest . . . . .	60
10. For each year of office in National Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association . . . . .	40
11. For each State Farmer. . . . .	10
12. For each State Star Farmer . . . . .	20
13. For each State Officer . . . . .	10
14. For each State Winner in National FFA Foundation Award - (Farm Electrification, Farm Mechanics, Farm Safety, Dairy Farming, and Soil and Water Management). . . . .	5
15. For each State Farmer Established in Farming . . . . .	10
16. For each Winner as Gold Emblem or Master Chapter Activity. . . . .	5
17. For each State Winner in Public Speaking Contest . . . . .	5
18. For each Team Winning Gold Medal in State Judging Contest. . . . .	5
19. For each year on State Advisory Council. . . . .	5
20. For each year of office in State Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association. . . . .	5
21. For each year of service as Teacher. . . . .	5

**EXHIBIT B**  
**Criteria For Selecting Teachers Of Vocational Agriculture**  
**To Receive The**  
**Honorary American Farmer Degree**  
 Adopted January, 1955

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Points</u>
*1. For each Star Farmer of America . . . . .	125
*2. For each Regional Star American Farmer placing second, third or fourth nationally . . . . .	100
*3. For each American Farmer . . . . .	90
*4. For each Star State Farmer. . . . .	40
*5. For each State Farmer . . . . .	20
*6. For each American Farmer established in farming . . . . .	90
*7. For each State Farmer established in farming . . . . .	30
*8. For each National FFA Officer . . . . .	90
*9. For each official State FFA officer . . . . .	20
*10. For each National first place winner of FFA Foundation Award (Farm Electrification, Farm Mechanics, Farm Safety, Dairy Farming, Soil & Water Management) . . . . .	75
*11. For each Regional winner of FFA Foundation Award placing second, third or fourth nationally (Farm Electrification, Farm Mechanics, Farm Safety, Dairy Farming, Soil & Water Management) . . . . .	60
*12. For each first place State winner of National FFA Foundation Award (Farm Electrification, Farm Mechanics, Farm Safety, Dairy Farming, Soil & Water Management . . . . .	20
13. For each year as advisor of chapter winning Silver Emblem in National Chapter Contest since January, 1954. . . . .	100
14. For each year as advisor of chapter winning Silver Emblem in National Chapter Contest. . . . .	60
15. For each year as advisor of chapter winning Bronze Emblem in National Chapter Contest. . . . .	30
16. For each year as winner of superior award or similar top award in State FFA Chapter Contest . . . . .	20
17. For each speaker winning National FFA Public Speaking Contest at Kansas City. . . . .	75
18. For each speaker participating in National FFA Public Speaking Contest at Kansas City,. . . . .	60
19. For and placing second, third, fourth or fifth	
19. For each State winner in official National FFA Public Speaking Contest . . . . .	20
20. For each student on winning team of Gold Emblem Award in National Judging Contest since 1947 . . . . .	20
21. For each student on winning team of Silver Emblem Award in National Judging Contest since 1947 . . . . .	10
22. For each student on winning team of Bronze Emblem Award in National Judging Contest since 1947 . . . . .	5
23. For each team winning Gold Emblem or first place in State Judging Contest . . . . .	10

24.	For serving as an officer in NVATA, except president who receives the degree at present . . . . .	40
25.	For serving as an officer in State VATA . . . . .	10
26.	For each year on (FFA or Vo-AG) State Advisory Council . . . . .	10
27.	For each year of service as Teacher of Vocational Agriculture . . . . .	10
28.	For each student participating in National FFA Band or Chorus. . . . .	15
29.	For attendance at a National FFA Convention . . . . .	10

\* NOTE: When considering the first twelve items where more than one teacher helped to develop the award winner or officer, each teacher should claim points in proportion to the number of years he served the Future Farmer, as compared to the number of years the Future Farmer was served by other teachers.

**C. Honorary State Farmers**

7-1958

All states and local chapters are strongly urged not to grant honorary FFA memberships or degrees on the local or state level to females, but that special certificates of appreciation for services rendered be provided in lieu thereof.

**D. Election of National FFA Officers.**

1-1953

The practice of soliciting support for a candidate for national FFA office prior to the report of the nominating committee at National Convention shall be discouraged and discontinued.

#### **E. FFA Emblem**

- 11-1940
1. It shall not appear in any way on farm commodities.
  2. It shall not be used for unscrupulous advertising.
  3. It shall not appear on any merchandise except that manufactured by officially designated FFA concerns.

1-1952      Item 2 amended to read as follows

It shall not be used for unscrupulous or direct sales advertising

10-1961      "In view of reports of several recent exploitations of the FFA, by commercial concerns and individuals, promoting the sale of their products, the Board of Directors reaffirms its position of long standing, urging local teachers of vocational agriculture to determine that approval has been given by the State Supervisors before they participate in any activity promoted by such concerns or individuals."

#### **F. Public Speaking**

1-1955      Prevailing practice is to make up a list of 8 or 10 outstanding citizens and submit their names to the Boards for further recommendations and suggestions. Usually 8 are approved from which 3 are selected.

### **G. FFA Supply Service**

1-1955

Sealed bids for large quantities of merchandise shall be submitted to the Supply Service Manager, opened before the governing committee, the governing committee then is to make recommendations to the boards for final consideration.

10-1958

FFA jackets be sold only to FFA members; that the wearing of jackets with the emblem only on the back of the jacket be restricted to National FFA Officers; that jackets ordered by the State Associations for state officers bear the name of the State above the emblem, with the word "association" below the emblem; that all other jackets ordered by the State Association bear the name of the State above the emblem with optional wording below the emblem; and that jackets ordered on the local or chapter level show the name of the state above the emblem with the chapter name below the emblem.

## H. National Future Farmer Magazine

10-1952

Adopted an "advertising policy" for the National Future Farmer magazines.

1-1957

Changed the advertising policy for the National Future Farmer magazine to read as follows:

1. The use of the name of the Future Farmers of America will be in keeping with the dignity and integrity of the organization.
2. The direct and separate use of the FFA emblem as a part of an advertiser's copy or layout will be permitted, provided the advertisement does not include actual or implied endorsement by the Future Farmers of America of the article manufactured, advertised or sold by the advertiser and provided further that it must be approved by the publishers.
3. Current members of the FFA Foundation are encouraged to use the Foundation emblem, provided it does not include actual or implied endorsement by the Future Farmers of America.
4. The use of "Future Farmers of America" or "FFA" in advertising copy will be permitted provided the advertising satisfies all other terms of the advertising policies of The National FUTURE FARMER.
5. Advertisements must not include actual or implied testimonials or endorsements of business firms, their products or services, either by FFA members or advisors.
6. The following types of advertising will not be accepted:
  - a. Tobacco and alcoholic beverages.
  - b. Sex literature, except as approved by established educational agencies.
  - c. Physical development and fortune telling.
  - d. Correspondence courses of other than well-established and reliable institutions.
  - e. Medical, encouraging self-diagnosis and self-treatment.
  - f. Reading notices and classified.
  - g. Any advertisement which does not deliver value or service the buyer is led to expect on the basis of advertising claims.
  - h. Political advertisements.
7. The publishers will not approve or carry in the pages of The National FUTURE FARMER, either editorially or in paid advertising, announcements of any contests originating outside the FFA organization, which is solely for FFA chapters or members. Contests, however, which are open to all farm youth, regardless of organization affiliation, may be carried in The National FUTURE FARMER as paid advertising.

1-1959

1. Magazine authorized to reprint materials
2. Magazine not authorized to rent mailing lists.

**I. FFA Calendars**

**10-1955**

All regions should be represented in the pictures appearing on the official calendar. States are to be paid \$50.00 for each picture selected for use in the FFA calendar.

**J. The National FFA Board of Directors**

**7-1952**

That an agenda be prepared and sent to Board members 30 days prior to each meeting.

**10-1952**

Adopted the following policies concerning the relationship between the National Board of Student Officers and the National Board of Directors:

1. The Board of Student Officers will review and act on items of business to be taken up by the Board of Directors. Recommendations will be submitted by the officers to the directors.
2. When possible, have officers meet with the directors to explain their recommendations.
3. Have regional directors serve as consultants to officers when needed.
4. Give Board of Student Officers recognition publicly for decisions rather than Board of Directors.
5. The Board of Directors, in practice, will become a counseling and review body, without giving up authority.
6. At joint meetings, have officers act on business, then directors. Keep minutes separate.
7. Have the President of the Board of Student Officers, or his designated national officer, attend all meetings of the Board of Directors if possible.
8. Have regional FFA Vice Presidents give reports at regional conferences.

**10-1955**

Agreed that Board minutes should be sent to Head Teacher Trainers as well as head supervisors.

**1-1957**

In case the elected member of the Board of Directors from any region is ill or otherwise unable to attend a scheduled meeting a State Supervisor shall be appointed from that region by the chairman of the Board of Directors.

**10-1959**

Reviewed statement entitled "Policies relative to National Officer duties, responsibilities, expenses and travel."

**K. National FFA Program of Work**

10-1953

Adopted the following suggestions regarding the National Program of Work:

- A. The members of the committee on the National FFA Program of Work should make such changes and additions in the 1952-53 Program of Work as they deem advisable in the limited amount of time available.
- B. In addition the committee should give consideration to making such important recommendations as the following:
  1. That a special national committee, including several FFA members and State Executive Secretaries (or State Advisors) be selected to completely revise the current national Program of Work and to submit it to the Program of Work Committee at the 1954 National FFA Convention for consideration and subsequent presentation to the convention delegates.
  2. That a special committee on revising the National Program of Work be guided by the following specific requests:
    - a. Develop a National FFA Program of Work that deals specifically with the activities and objectives to be accomplished by the National FFA Organization and its officers.
    - b. Develop as a separate document a list of activities which the National Organization may consider as an important guide to State Associations and local chapters to use in developing their respective Programs of Work.

## **L. State Award Programs**

1-1955

Approved the following guide to State Associations relating to awards for FFA members:

### **GUIDES TO STATE ASSOCIATIONS RELATING TO AWARDS FOR MEMBERS OF THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA**

The Future Farmers of America was organized in 1928. Many awards have been made available to chapters and members. Awards stimulate members to greater achievement and are generally beneficial. They give publicity and are used to recognize worthy accomplishments.

Since the FFA is an integral part of the public school system, it is the responsibility of State Associations to develop and evaluate FFA award programs. Local chapters should be given guidance in the use of awards.

The following guides for State Associations were developed by the National Board of Student Officers and National Board of Directors.

1. Design and use awards as a means to improve educational programs.
2. Plan the award program so it will be fair to organizations and companies concerned.
3. Develop policies and practices in connection with award programs to protect FFA members and chapters.
4. Review the award program periodically to determine whether desired goals are being achieved.
5. Review and accept or reject all proposed awards bearing the name "Future Farmers of America".
6. Funds received by the FFA from any company, organization, or individual should be accepted without reservations or restrictions from the donors.
7. Plan and conduct the award program so that it will help to maintain a balanced program of instruction.
8. Plan the award program so that it does not permit or imply the endorsement of products being manufactured, distributed or sold by an award donor.
9. Obtain counsel from cooperating groups concerning the improvement and further development of the award program.
10. Consider the development of a State FFA Foundation to consolidate and improve the award program as a further aid in the development of agriculture and leadership.

## **M. Courtesy and Usher Corps**

**1-1957**

Recommended the setting up of a disciplinary committee with it being controlled mainly by FFA members. Suggestions made were as follows:

1. Have a boy on every street corner to help in a friendly way and to stop any trouble before it starts.
2. Get the cooperation of the police department and all work together.
3. Have a central headquarters in the Municipal Auditorium for the committee to help guide boys rather than take them to police headquarters.
4. Set a curfew.
5. Have boys obtain consent of their parents and high school principal before attending the convention.

**10-1957**

"Boys coming in to the convention without official registration cards be required to sign a register entitled "Unofficial authorization to attend the FFA convention". This register will call for the boys name, his address, place of residence while in Kansas City, his signature, and the signature of one adult from his state.

Authority be delegated to the Courtesy Corps Committee to handle any disciplinary matters that might arise during the convention - even to sending boys home when necessary. It was agreed that the Courtesy Corps would contact a state staff member before sending any boy home.

**1-1958**

Authorization to attend the National FFA Convention which appears on the back of the registration card be put on a small card which boys could keep in their possession.

**N. National FFA Foundation**

**10-1958**

Certain donors to the National FFA Foundation have mentioned the fact that they get no specific publicity by contributing to the National FFA Foundation; whereas, other companies make a contribution on the state level and receive a considerable amount of publicity.

**O. National FFA Convention**

**1-1961**

At least six FFA members from each chapter, but not more than 10% of a local chapters membership may be allowed to attend the National FFA Convention.