

JOINT MEETING
NATIONAL F.F.A. BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ADVISORY COUNCIL
Kansas City, Missouri November 12-13, 1948

The meeting was called to order by President Ervin Martin in the National F.F.A. office in the Hotel President. Those present were 1st Vice President Wilbur Ray Dunk; 2nd Vice President Osborne J. Arlien; 3rd Vice President John W. Webb, Jr.; 4th Vice President Kort H. Meier, Jr.; Student Secretary Eugene Hansen; R. D. Anderson, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in South Carolina; E. P. Hilton, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Kentucky, H. O. Sampson, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in New Jersey, Executive Secretary A. W. Tenney; Treasurer D. J. Howard; Adviser W. T. Spanton; R. E. Naugher; E. J. Johnson, H. B. Swanson, D. M. Clements, all from Office of Education, Washington, D. C. Past President Gus R. Douglass, Jr. and Bert L. Brown, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Washington were not present for the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Student Secretary Hansen. They were approved as read.

A discussion was held concerning the advisability of giving the Honorary American Farmer degree to the grandfather of Kenneth LeWayne Cheatham. It was pointed out that Kenneth had been staying and farming with his grandfather and that his grandfather had given him more assistance than his father. It was moved by Hilton that the minutes be amended by adding the words to the Star Farmer motion that the guardian or other person may receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree if he was of greater assistance than the father; motion seconded by Anderson and carried.

A discussion was held concerning the dates for the 1949 F.F.A. Convention. It was believed advisable to hold the convention the week before the American Royal Livestock Show. This would make it possible to have hotel facilities available and at the same time permit a number of F.F.A. members to remain in Kansas City for the opening of the American Royal. It was moved by Sampson that the 1949 convention start on Monday, October 10 and end on Thursday, October, 13; motion seconded by Howard and carried.

A proposed amendment to the National Constitution and By-Laws, which recommended the increase in requirements concerning income from supervised farming in order to obtain the various degrees in the organization was presented to the Board and Council. After due consideration it was moved by Hansen that the Board and Council recommend the rejection of the proposed change in the Constitution; motion seconded by Arlien and carried.

A special request from the Texas Association was submitted concerning Mr. Robert A. Manire. Mr. Manire was recommended to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree. Since he was in Korea on official

business for the United States Government it was considered advisable to confer the degree on him in absentia. It was moved by Meier to give Mr. Manire the Honorary American Farmer Degree in absentia; motion seconded by Martin and carried.

A brief report was presented on National F.F.A. Week which was held in 1948. After due consideration it was moved by Meier that National F.F.A. Week be held annually during the week of February 22; motion seconded by Hilton and carried.

The case of Niel Johnson, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture in Iowa, was reviewed at the request of his State association. After all of the facts were presented it was moved by Martin that Mr. Johnson not receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree; motion seconded by Sampson and carried.

A discussion was held concerning the ways in which teachers of vocational agriculture, who had been very helpful in connection with the F.F.A. could be recognized by the National Organization. It was moved by Anderson that the National F.F.A. Office prepare a certificate and standards for the recognition of teachers of vocational agriculture; motion seconded by Hilton and carried.

A number of applications for the American Farmer Degree were reconsidered at the request of the State associations concerned. Mr. Bailey of Missouri appeared before the group and discussed the case of Howard John Lewis Hoffman. Mr. Radke of Minnesota appeared in behalf of candidate Harold I Lunde. Mr. Hall of Iowa appeared in behalf of Donald G. Henik, Dwight H. Lewis and Michael Kasperbauer. After a thorough discussion of the facts it was moved by Hansen that the Board of Trustees sustain the previous action on the rejected American Farmer candidates; motion seconded by Dunk and carried.

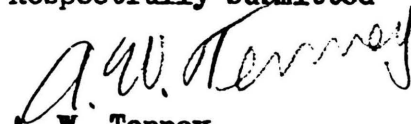
It was moved by Naugher that the Advisory Council sustain the action of the Board of Trustees concerning the rejected American Farmer candidates; motion seconded by Hilton and carried.

A letter of invitation extended by the Young Farmers of Great Britain through Mr. Duckham, Agricultural Attache of the British Embassy, was read. It was moved by Johnson that the Board of Trustees and Advisory Council recommend that the invitation from the Young Farmers of Great Britain be accepted and that the Board and Council be authorized to carry out this recommendation; motion seconded by Meier and carried.

The problem of a national magazine was discussed. It was moved by Meier that the Board of Trustees and Advisory Council proceed with the investigation of the possibilities of a national magazine and if after a thorough investigation it appears the magazine can succeed they be authorized to go ahead in starting a magazine; motion seconded by Hansen and carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. W. Tenney".

A. W. Tenney
National Executive Secretary