# National FFA Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes February 2, 2006

# Those members of the Board present were:

**Larry Case,** National FFA Advisor, Coordinator, Agricultural & Rural Education, U.S. Dept. of Education, Washington, D.C.

Travis Jett, National FFA President from Oklahoma

**Steven Fraze**, AAAE Representative, Professor, Agricultural Education and Communications, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas

**Barry Croom**, AAAE Representative, Assistant Professor, Agricultural and Extension Education, NC State University, Raleigh, North Carolina

**Doug Vannurden,** State FFA Executive Secretary, North Dakota Agricultural Education, Bismarck, North Dakota

Harold Eckler, NAAE Representative from Region IV, Shelbyville, Missouri

**Michael Brammer,** Executive Secretary Representative, Pennsylvania FFA Association, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

**Dale Gruis,** State Supervisor, Ag Education Consultant, Iowa Dept. of Education, Des Moines, Iowa

**William** (**Buddy**) **Deimler**, State Supervisor, Specialist, Ag. Ed. Utah State Office of Education, Salt Lake City, Utah

Nancy J. Trivette, State Supervisor, Program Leader, Ag Ed, New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Trenton, New Jersey

**Steven Gass,** State Supervisor, State FFA Advisor, Tennessee Department of Education, Nashville, Tennessee

**Steven Harbstreit,** USDE Representative, Associate Professor – Ag Education, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

**Linda Rist**, USDE Representative, Instructor – Agricultural Education, West Central High School, Hartford, South Dakota

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

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

## **Unable to Attend:**

**Douglas C. DeVries,** 2006 Sponsors' Board Chairman, Sr. Vice President, Agricultural, Deere & Company

**Glenn A. Stith**, 2007 Sponsors' Board Chairman, Vice President, US Branded Business, Monsanto Company, St. Louis, Missouri

Bill Hunter, NAAE Representative from Region II, Pratt, Kansas

### **Others Present:**

**Doug Loudenslager,** Chief Operating Officer, National FFA Organization & National FFA Foundation, Indianapolis, Indiana

**Kent Schescke,** Sr. Director of Development, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, Indiana and Alexandria, Virginia

**Dennis Sargent**, Division Director Development & Partnerships, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, Indiana

**Vicki Settle**, Team Leader Financial Services, National FFA Organization, Indianapolis, Indiana

**Pam Holbert,** Executive Assistant, National FFA Headquarters Operations, Alexandria, Virginia

**Sabra H. Gill**, Sr. Consultant with Cargill Associates, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas **Dave Keith**, Sr. Consultant with Cargill Associates, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas **Steve Brown**, State Executive Secretary, Jefferson City, Missouri

#### Call to Order

Trustee President, Larry Case, called the meeting to order at 11:30 in the morning. All members introduced themselves and the chair welcomed the trustees.

#### **Presentation**

Harold Eckler, NAAE Representative, new FFA Board Member and Trustee, was presented with a pin.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Steve Gass seconded by Doug Vannurden and carried to approve the minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting in Indianapolis on July 18, 2005.

### **Seating of New Members**

Larry Case declared Glenn Stith, Barry Croom, Mike Brammer, Doug Vannurden, Harold Ecker, Bill Hunter and Travis Jett duly seated on the National FFA Foundation Board of Trustees.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Fletcher reviewed the statement of activities and investment results.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Nancy J. Trivette seconded by Steve Fraze and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report.

#### Accept Audit Committee Report

MOTION: Moved by Steve Harbstreit seconded by Barry Croom and carried to accept the Audit Committee Report. (Attachment #1, minutes)

### **Adoption of Standards of Service and Conduct**

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Mike Brammer seconded by Coleman Harris and carried to approve and adopt the policy statements contained in the attached Standards of Service and Conduct. Substitute all references to the National FFA Organization with the National FFA Foundation Board, Audit Committee, CEO and COO. (*Attachment #2*)

## **Adoption of Confidential Complaint Handling System**

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Steve Gass seconded by Linda Rist and carried that the Board of Trustees approve and adopt the policy statements contained in the attached Confidential Complaint Handling Process. (*Attachment #3*)

#### Remarks by Sponsors' Board Chair

Dennis Sargent, Division Director Development & Partnerships, with National FFA Organization reported for Sponsors' Board Chair, Doug DeVries in his absence. It is important to continue to sustain the action to employ Cargill Associates, Inc. and move forward to the next step in the Recommendations Based on the Best Practices Review for The National FFA Foundation.

#### **Welcome**

Trustee President Case welcomed Dennis Sargent, Division Director Development & Partnerships to the meeting.

## **Preliminary Report Cargill Associates**

Dave Keith and Sabra Gill presented preliminary recommendations based on the Best Practices Review, Cargill Associate, Inc. conducted for the National FFA Foundation.

### Presentation and Adoption of the 2006 Budget

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Marion Fletcher seconded by Buddy Deimler and carried to approve 2006 final budget for the National FFA Foundation.

#### **Election of Executive Committee for 2006**

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Travis Jett seconded by Steve Harbstreit and carried to accept the nominations for the Executive Committee for 2006 and Vice President as listed.

- Supervisor Steve Gass
- Teacher Educator Barry Croom
- Executive Secretary Doug Vannurden
- Teacher Harold Eckler
- Vice President Steven Gass

#### **Thanks**

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Marion Fletcher seconded by Linda Rist and carried to extend special thanks to Kent Schescke for his leadership to The National FFA

Foundation in the past as Division Director Development & Partnerships and best wishes in his new position.

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held in Washington, D.C., Monday, July 26, 2006.

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# **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

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