

# **MINUTES**

**JOINT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**AND**

**NATIONAL OFFICERS**

**OF THE**

**NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION**

**ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA**

**January 22-25, 1990**

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### JOINT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

Alexandria, Virginia

January 22-25, 1990

#### Monday, January 22, 1990

A special session of the Board was called to order by the chairman at 1:00 p.m. in the Washington Room.

Agenda items included:

- Organizational Update Report
  - The Council , John Pope, Executive Director
  - National Young Farmer Educational Association, Wayne Sprick, Executive Director
- Programmatic Special Reports
  - Agricultural Education Revolution (Summit II, National FFA Improvement
  - Workshop, National Satellite Conference), Coleman Harris, John Pope, Marshall Stewart
  - Manual Revision Committee, Bill Stagg
  - Report of the National Task Force on Equity Issues, Kip Godwin
  - Follow-up report regarding American FFA Degree Constitutional Amendment, Bob Seefeldt
  - Progress report on the FFA Strategic Planning process, Larry Case
  - Overview of Board motion forms dealing with membership development, Marshall Stewart
  - Review procedures for standing committee work

#### Tuesday Morning, January 23, 1990

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Standing Committee meetings were in session the entire day.

#### Wednesday Morning, January 24, 1990

The meeting of the Board of Directors and National Officers of the National FFA Organization was called to order at 8:30 a.m. in the Washington Room of the National Center, Alexandria, Virginia, by Donnell Brown, National FFA President. All members of the Boards were present.



### **Board of Directors**

Larry D. Case, Chairman of the Board, and Senior Program Specialist, Agriculture, Division of Vocational-Technical Education, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C.

Les Thompson, Branch Chief, State Administration Branch, Division of Vocational-Technical Education, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C.

William T. Woody, Vocational Agriculture Teacher, Lorena High School, Lorena, Texas (U.S. Department of Education Representative)

David M. Coffey, Associate Professor, Agriculture, Agribusiness Education Division, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky (U.S. Department of Education Representative)

Tom Munter, Consultant, Vocational Student Organizations, State Department of Education, Sacramento, California (U.S. Department of Education Representative)

John Denmark, State Program Director, Agribusiness and Natural Resources Education, State Department of Education, Tallahassee, Florida

Leonard Lombardi, State Specialist, Agricultural Education, Office of Public Instruction, Helena, Montana

Donald L. Michael, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Bureau of Vocational-Technical & Adult Education, Charleston, West Virginia

Terry W. Heiman, State Director, Agricultural Education, Jefferson City, Missouri

### **Ex-Officio Members**

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

David A. Miller, National FFA Treasurer, and Supervisor of Vocational Education & Industrial Arts, Carroll County Public Schools, Westminster, Maryland

### **Board of National Officers**

Donnell Brown, President, Throckmorton, Texas

Scott Crouch, Secretary, Cicero, Indiana

Bill Henriksen, DeWitt, Iowa

Dan Schroer, Vice President, Easter Region, New Bremen, Ohio

Brad Lewis, Vice President, Southern Region, Elkmont, Alabama

Casey Isom, Vice President, Western Region, Fruitland, Idaho

### **Consultants**

Douglas Spike, President, NVATA, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

Tom Parker, President Elect, NVATA, Torrington, Wyoming

David N. Coile, Vice President, NVATA, Lakeland, Florida

Dennis Jackson, Vice President, NVATA, Mankato, Minnesota

Kenneth A. Parker, Associate Professor, Agricultural and Occupational Education, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts

Barbara J. Malpiedi Kirby, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Education, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina

Joseph Cvacara, Professor, Agricultural Education, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington



Jerry. Peters, Associate Professor, Agricultural Education, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana  
Brad Chambliss, Past National FFA Officer, Hardinsburg, Kentucky

**Others present for all or portions of the meeting**

Wilson W. Carnes, Administrative Director, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Dennis Shafer, Director, National FFA Supply Service, Alexandria, Virginia  
Janice Brown, Manager, Purchasing & Related Services, National FFA Supply Service, Alexandria, Virginia  
Robert W. Cox, Executive Director, National FFA Alumni Association, Alexandria, Virginia  
Josiah Phelps, President, National FFA Alumni Association, Fort Valley, Georgia  
Wayne Sprick, Executive Director, National Young Farmer Educational Association, Alexandria, Virginia  
John Pope, Executive Director, National Council for Agricultural Education, Alexandria, Virginia  
Bernie Staller, Executive Director, National FFA Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin  
Douglas Butler, Regional Director, National FFA Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin  
Jeff Brazo, Regional Director, National FFA Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin  
Melanie Burgess, Regional Director, National FFA Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin  
Gwynne Tingley, Regional Director, National FFA Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin  
K. C. Beavers, III, State FFA Executive Secretary, State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, North Carolina  
William McGrew, State FFA Executive Secretary, State Department of Education, Jackson, Mississippi  
Bill Stagg, Director of Information, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Lynn Hamilton, Program Coordinator, Information and Promotion, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Lennie Gamage, Program Specialist, International and Organizational Development, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Jack Keller, Program Coordinator, International Programs, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Mary Hendrickson, Intern, International Programs, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Diana Crow, Intern, International Programs, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Scott Ryckman, Program Coordinator, International Programs, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Ted E. Amick, Program Specialist, Contests and Membership Development, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Carol Duval, Program Coordinator, Contests and Awards, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Robert A. Seefeldt, Program Specialist, Awards and State Services, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Tony Hoyt, Program Specialist, Leadership and Personal Development, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Kip Godwin, Manager, Washington Conference and Made for Excellence Programs, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Marshall Stewart, Program Specialist, Membership Development, FFA, Alexandria, Virginia  
Glenn D. Luedke, Director of Advertising, *FFA New Horizons* magazine, Alexandria, Virginia  
Andrew Markwart, Managing Editor, *FFA New Horizons* magazine, Alexandria, Virginia  
John M. Pitzer, Senior Editor/Electronic Communications, *FFA New Horizons* magazine, Alexandria, Virginia

1. INVOCATION -The invocation was given by Dan Schroer, National Vice President
2. SEATING OF NEWLY ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICERS AND CONSULTANTS - The new National Officers and Consultants were introduced and officially seated.  
  
National Officers: Donnell Brown, Scott E. Crouch, Dan Schroer, Casey N. Isom, Bradley K. Lewis, William J. Henricksen  
Consultants: Dennis Jackson, David N. Coile, Kenneth A. Parker, Jerry L. Peters
3. BRIEFING ON BOARD PROCEDURES - Dr. Case explained the Board's function and purpose and stated that discussion was open to all. He explained the voting procedures and invited full participation of the National Officers, the adult members of the Board as well as the Consultants.
4. NATIONAL OFFICERS REPORT - Donnell Brown, was joined by his fellow national officers in updating the Board on their training program at the National Center, the Missouri Greenhand Conference, a mini tour of Washington, D.C. including visits with William Bennett's staff, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Yeutter, as well as various State visits.  
  
MOTION - It was moved by Dr. Coffey, seconded by Mr. Woody and carried to commend the officer team for excellent performance to date, their enthusiasm and dedication.
5. REMARKS - AGRICULTURE INSTRUCTORS TO THE BOARD - Mr. Doug Spike, President, NVATA, addressed the Board. (Appendix A)  
  
MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Dan Schroer (Dr. Heiman) and carried to accept the report.
6. REMARKS - AGRICULTURE TEACHER EDUCATORS - Dr. Barbara Malpiedi Kirby, on behalf of the AATEA consultants addressed the Board (Appendix B)  
  
MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Lombardi) and carried to accept the report.
7. REMARKS - PAST NATIONAL OFFICER - Brad Chambliss, past national FFA officer extended appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to serve as a consultant to the national officer team. He indicated that the 1988-89 officer team is gradually adjusting back to into college life.  
  
MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Munter) and carried to accept the report.
8. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND GOVERNING COMMITTEE MINUTES - Mr. Harris reviewed the Board Minutes of November 6, 1989 and the Governing Committee minutes of December 19, 1989. (APPENDIX C)



MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi)<sup>1</sup>, seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Thompson) and carried to approve the minutes as disseminated. (Appendix D)

9. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO SELECT ONE MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE FFA GOVERNING COMMITTEE - Dr. Case appointed Les Thompson and William Woody to serve on a committee to meet during the lunch hour to nominate one Board member to serve on the FFA Governing Committee beginning January 1, 1990 for a two-year term.
10. TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. David Miller, National FFA Treasurer, distributed and led a review of the current financial status of the organization for the period September 1, 1989 through December 31, 1989.

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Munter) and carried to accept the report.

11. NATIONAL POSTSECONDARY AGRICULTURAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PAS) UPDATE - Dr. Case reported briefly on current PAS activities. The 1990 PAS National Conference will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota, March 14-17.
12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT - CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS - Leonard Lombardi, chair, extended appreciation to the committee for their efforts and then presented the following items for action:

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson) and carried that the delegate process adopted by the official delegates at the 62nd National FFA Convention be approved and implemented immediately; including approval of the following budgetary requirements as follows:

Travel for Delegates -	\$26,270.00
Delegate meal functions -	\$ 4,434.00
Delegate materials	\$ 9,000.00
Committee Coordinators -	\$10,200.00

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Heiman) and carried that the amendment passed by the delegates in Kansas City providing the same waiver to participants in FFA international programs as Constitution provides to FFA members serving in the armed forces, as follows:

Article V, Section B. "...A member who is in good standing at the time of induction into the armed forces of the United States of America or into the FFA international program, shall be in good standing during that period of time without further payment of dues or attendance of meetings. Time spent in the armed forces or FFA international program shall not be considered as elapsed time in determining the maximum period of four conventions following graduation from high school or leaving high school. Members making use of this waiver of time for the purpose of maintaining active membership for application for advanced degrees, must resume active participation within six months after

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<sup>1</sup>Parentheses indicate joint action by the National FFA Officers and Board of Directors



having been honorable discharged from military service or completing their FFA international program indicating such a desire by payment of dues and attendance at meetings. Members participating in the six months' armed services program or participating in the FFA international program for six months shall be eligible for one full year of extended membership. No individual, however, may retain active membership beyond the twenty-third birthday.

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Thompson) and carried that the following item be added to the Supply Service section of the "Official Board Policies" regarding pricing of Supply Service items purchased by the National FFA Foundation: "The Supply Service shall handle the purchasing and distribution of National FFA Foundation award plaques, trophies, medals and other award items. Negotiated prices shall be established annually. The Program Division Director shall provide a list of projected items and quantities by January 1. The Supply Service shall prepare quotations for each item. The annual negotiation meeting shall be held in February. Final quotations for the following calendar year to be submitted by the Supply Service on or before March 1.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis, (Mr. Thompson) seconded by Casey Isom (Dr. Heiman) that a task force (to include at least one from each region) of the FFA Board and a Center staff member be appointed by the chairman to review and make recommendations regarding the operating structure of the Center based on a thorough review from an outside consulting firm. The review will include, but not be limited to: 1) updating administrative policies and procedures of the National FFA Center and 2) updating staff job descriptions. A preliminary report will be given in July, 1990, with the final report given to the Board in January 1991.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION - It was then moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Thompson) seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman) to amend the motion as follows: "That a Task Force (to include at least one from each region) of the FFA Board, Consultants, staff member and others be appointed by the chairman...." The original motion as amended carried.

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Munter), seconded by Brad Lewis (Mr. Denmark) and carried that a nationwide search be conducted, in keeping with Public Law 740, to fill the position of national FFA treasurer.

The chairman pointed out since David Miller has taken a new professional job outside the State Department of Education he is no longer eligible to remain national treasurer. Mr. Miller served the organization for eight years and has moved his employment from the State of Maryland to a local school corporation. He will, however, be attending the remaining Board meetings in 1990, and the National FFA Convention.

13. RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT - Dr. Barbara M. Kirby, chair, presented the following committee recommendation for action:

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Michael) and carried to approve the request for proposal (RFP) recommended by the research committee in response to the Membership Development Department's information needs. Funding level of \$5,000.00 for the

January 1, 1990 - January 1, 1991 cycle to be submitted to the National FFA Foundation for funding.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Woody) and carried to accept Dr. Kirby's report.

14. ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT - Dr. Heiman, chair, presented the committee's recommendation for action:

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Michael) and carried that the national FFA board of directors request that the National FFA Foundation seek funding for the National Satellite Conference for Agricultural Education in the amount of \$68,427.91.

The meeting was recessed at 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday Afternoon, January 24, 1990

The meeting was reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with all members of the Board present except Scott Crouch.

15. NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION REPORT - Mr. Bernie Staller, Executive Director of the National FFA Foundation, presented the FFA Foundation report.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Woody) and carried to accept the report of the National FFA Foundation.

16. ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT - Presented by Dr. Terry Heiman.

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer and seconded by Casey Isom that a three-year membership package for graduating seniors be offered in the spring of 1990 and that state associations be encouraged to participate. The national dues for the three year package will be \$10.00. Funding in the amount of \$2,500 is requested from the FFA organization to implement this program.

MOTION - It was further moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Munter), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Michael) and carried to amend the above motion to read: That a three-year membership package for graduating seniors be offered in the spring of 1990 and that state associations be encouraged to participate. The national dues for the three year package will be \$10.50 with a discount of \$.50 for pre payment. Funding in the amount of \$2500 is requested from the FFA organization to implement this program.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Lombardi) and carried that the National FFA Board of Directors request that the National FFA Foundation seek funds to sponsor the implementation costs of the 3-year FFA membership package in the amount of \$2,976.19.



MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Michael), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey) and carried that The Council and the National FFA Organization co-sponsor a Task Force, jointly appointed by the Council Chairman and the National FFA Advisor, to address the curriculum and FFA program needs for students in middle schools and report to the January 1991 Board of Directors meeting. It is requested that the FFA Foundation seek funding in the amount of \$8,928.57 for this task force.

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer and seconded by Casey Isom that the National FFA board of directors approve Phase I of the membership development incentive program (i.e. Project Growth), which is designed to recognize FFA advisors for their leadership in increasing and maintaining agricultural education enrollment and FFA membership; furthermore the board of directors request that the FFA foundation seek sponsorship in the amount of \$188,636.36 for implementation of this proposal.

MOTION - It was further moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Munter), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Coffey) and carried to accept the above motion as is, minus \$29,500 for the program coordinator.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Lombardi), seconded by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey) and carried to approve, in concept, the work done to date in developing the National FFA Organization's tactical plans supporting the Strategic Plan for Agricultural Education, and to direct the National FFA Advisor to continue refinement of the plans, submit them for consideration at Summit II, and present them for final approval at the July 1990 FFA Board of Directors meeting.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael) and carried to accept the Organizational Development Report.

17. REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - Wilson Carnes, Administrative Director, National FFA Center reported that there were no administrative matters pending at this time. He also passed on information regarding travel vouchers.
18. REPORT ON LEGAL MATTERS - Wilson Carnes reported that there were no legal matters pending at this time.

Donnell Brown read a letter from the NVATA regarding hotel costs for students and the National FFA Convention in Kansas City.

19. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE - CONTESTS AND AWARDS - Presented by Les Thompson.

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Denmark), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi) and carried that the Chairman of the National FFA Contest Advisory Committee be elected to a term of three (3) years and the Vice-Chairman be elected to a term of one (1) year beginning in 1991.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis and seconded by Casey Isom to ratify the actions of the Advisory Committee on Contests except for Motion #11.  
(See Appendix D)



MOTION - It was further moved by Dan Schroer and seconded by Brad Lewis to amend the above motion to ratify the actions of the Advisory Committee on Contests except for Motion #10 and #14.

MOTION - It was further moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson) to amend the amendment to ratify the actions of the Advisory Committee on Contests except for Motion #10. MOTION FAILED

MOTION - It was moved by Mr. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Woody and carried by the adult Board members to reconsider the above motion.

MOTION - It was further moved by Mr. Munter (Casey Isom), seconded by Mr. Woody (Bill Henricksen) and carried to ratify the actions of the Advisory Committee on Contests except for Motion #10 and #14.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Lombardi), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Woody) that an Agricultural Sales Contest be approved to be implemented in 1991 and printed in Bulletin #4 for 1991-93. MOTION TABLED until further information can be provided at the January 25th session.

MOTION - Moved by Brad Lewis that a committee be appointed to study the possibility of having a National Crime Prevention Award Program implemented as a special incentive project. MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

MOTION - Moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey) and carried to revise Bulletin #4 for the 1991-93 National Contests with changes as summarized and presented to the National Advisory Committee on Contests by each of the respective National Contest Superintendents.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Casey Isom (Mr. Thompson) and carried to give special recognition to the winning team in the National FFA Poultry Contest. (Appendix E)

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis and seconded by Bill Henricksen that the National Advisor appoint a task force made up of members of the Board of Directors, past agriscience winners, computers in agriculture winners and aged network participants to study FFA's agriscience programs and its initiatives in developing new technologies. Funds recommended to come from Special Committees in the National FFA Foundation.

MOTION - It was further moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Denmark), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Coffey) and carried to amend the above motion to read: That the National Advisor appoint an ad hoc committee made up of members of the Board of Directors, past agriscience winners, computers in agriculture winners and aged network participants to study FFA's agriscience programs and its initiatives in developing new technologies. Funds recommended to come from Special Committees in the National FFA Foundation.



MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman) and carried to approve the applications for the Competitive State Grant Program for Alabama, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Nebraska, Rhode Island, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen and seconded by Dan Schroer to Amend Section G National Awards of the Official Policies of the National FFA by adding item 10 to read as follows:

*"To receive the cash award that goes with being named a regional winner each finalist must attend the National FFA Convention in which the recognition will be provided. Those finalists not attending the convention will be eligible to receive the regional finalist plaque but will be ineligible to be named a national winner."*

And to add item 11 to read as follows:

*"All finalists not able to attend the National FFA Convention must inform the National FFA Center Staff as soon as they are aware of not being able to attend. Finalists with a personal or family situation which will prevent them from attending the convention must convey this specific problem to the National FFA Board of Directors in writing prior to the convention. The Board will consider each request based on their merits but will look favorably upon requests based on illness, military duty, special school situations, specific family situations, etc. If the Board approves the request, the finalist will be eligible to receive all recognition and awards available including the regional and national plaques and cash awards and being named the national winner. Since no travel is involved the cash travel award will not be available."*

MOTION - It was further moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Munter), seconded by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey) and carried to amend the above motion to read as follows:

*"Those finalists not attending the convention will be eligible to receive the national finalist plaque and cash award but will be ineligible to be named a national winner or receive the travel stipend."*

And to add item 11 to read as follows:

*"All finalists not able to attend the National FFA Convention must inform the National FFA Center Staff as soon as they are aware of not being able to attend. Finalists with a personal or family situation which will prevent them from attending the convention must convey this specific problem to the National FFA Board of Directors in writing prior to the convention. The Board will consider each request based on their merits but will look favorably upon requests based on illness, military duty, special school situations, specific family situations, etc. If the Board approves the request, the finalist will be eligible to receive all recognition and awards available including the regional and national plaques and cash awards and being named the national winner. Since no travel is involved the cash travel award will not be available."*

The meeting was recessed at 4:45 p.m.



Thursday Morning, January 25, 1990

The meeting was reconvened at 8:40 a.m. with all members of the Board present.

20. NATIONAL YOUNG FARMER EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENT - Mr. Wayne Sprick, Executive Director of the National Young Farmer Educational Association, stated that he had had some requests for life membership applications for the NYFEA. He stated that life membership is \$100 and that members receive a certificate and a pin. He further stated that upon the death of a life member that the \$100 can go to benefit either the local, state or national association.

He then stated that the NYFEA's annual report will be available shortly.

21. REPORT OF THE NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI - Mr. Josiah Phelps, President of the National FFA Alumni Association, stated that he was "glad to be here" and then updated the Board on their progress. He stated that the Association was strong and growing stronger and that membership had increased from 30,180 members to 30,682 members. He said that his hope was to double last year's increase in the association and that by so doing they could help more people.

He also stated that life member number 10,000 would be reached sometime soon and that this person would receive special recognition at the convention in Kansas City.

He then congratulated the Board on the work that they are doing and said: "Keep up the good work and keep these blue jackets blue."

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael), seconded by Casey Isom (Dr. Heiman) and carried to accept the FFA Alumni Report.

22. REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS STANDING COMMITTEE CONTINUED - Mr. Leonard Lombardi, Chair, presented the following motion on behalf of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Woody), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman) and carried that the newly established system based on two (2) delegates per state, plus one (1) delegate per each 2,000 members be allowed to become fully operative and evaluated in 1990 and that the National FFA Board of Directors propose to the delegates of the 1991 FFA Convention the proposal calling for two (2) delegates per state, plus one (1) delegate per each 1,000 members.

MOTION - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Brad Lewis (Mr. Michael) and carried to accept the report of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee.

23. REPORT OF CONTESTS AND AWARDS STANDING COMMITTEE CONTINUED - Mr. Les Thompson, Chair, continued with the discussion regarding the conducting of an Agricultural Sales Contest which had been laid on the table the previous day. He then presented them with a budget that they had requested for the contest.



MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman) and carried to take the matter off the table (Agricultural Sales Contest).

MOTION RE: AGRICULTURAL SALES CONTEST - After considerable discussion and input from both the National Officers and the adult board members the final action follows: It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Heiman) and carried that an Agricultural Sales Contest be approved to be implemented in 1991 and printed in Bulletin #4 for 1991-93. The contest will only function nationally if carried out in 26 States prior to the first National Contest. A special notation will be recorded in Bulletin #4 that clearly states "when all the criteria are met the contest will be conducted on a national level. Funding for this project is requested in the amount of \$21,279.76 f from the Foundation."

MOTION - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey) and carried to accept the report of the Contests and Awards Committee.

24. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT - LEADERSHIP - Mr. Tom Munter, Chair, opened his remarks by saying it was the first time he was on the Board and "that it was a pleasure to be here." He then presented the following motions.

MOTION RE: "FFA FANFARE BRASS" - It was moved by Scott Crouch, seconded by Dan Schroer to fund, as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, an "FFA Fanfare Brass."

MOTION AMENDED - After a short discussion it was moved by Scott Crouch, seconded by Dan Schroer and carried to amend the above motion by adding the following sentence: The publicity and scripting for the "FFA Fanfare Brass" be provided by the FFA Information Service. It was then moved by Mr. Lombardi and seconded by Mr. Michael to sustain the action of the Board of National Officers; however, the MOTION FAILED.

MOTION RE: NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Lombardi) and carried that the National FFA Board of Directors ask the national FFA staff to prepare a letter for Kansas City officials informing them of the discontent the Board has with facilities and housing and that FFA is interested in finding ways to alleviate these problems. Further, that this action be hand-carried to Kansas City by Larry Case and/or Coleman Harris.

MOTION RE: OFFICIAL DELEGATE TRAVEL - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Woody) and carried that official delegate travel to the National FFA Convention be proposed to the National FFA Foundation for sponsorship consideration (project cost: \$31,273.81).

MOTION RE: OFFICIAL DELEGATE SUPPORT MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES - It was moved by Jeff Isom (Mr. Lombardi), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael) and carried that the support materials and supplies for the official delegates be considered by the National FFA Foundation for funding (total costs of this request: \$10,714.29).



MOTION RE: DELEGATE ORIENTATION DINNER - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Coffey) and carried that the Delegate Orientation Dinner be considered by the National FFA Foundation for funding (cost of this request: \$3,135.71 which includes 16% for General Fund Support).

MOTION RE: DELEGATE PARTICIPATION IN THE CAREER SHOW LUNCHEON - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi) and carried that the management of the Career Show charge a fee to corporate exhibitors of the Career Show to fund delegate participation in the Career Show Luncheon (costs: \$1,800.00).

MOTION RE: DELEGATE COORDINATORS FOR THE FFA DELEGATE PROCESS - It was moved by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Michael) and carried that the following programmatic committees and committee coordinators be approved for the new FFA delegate process; terms of service are indicated below:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Term</u>
Awards/Degrees	David Coffey	KY	1990-91
Contests	Kirby Barrick	OH	1990-91
International	Wayne Nattress	IA	1990-91
Member Services	Nancy Trivette	NJ	1990-91
Chapter/State Operations	Charles Keels	NC	1990-91
National FFA Convention	Rosco Vaughn	NM	1990-92
Information/Promotion	Rich Katt	NE	1990-92
Leadership	Jim Scott	OH	1990-92
Membership Development	Kent Boggs	OK	1990-92
Support Services	Kevin Keith	WI	1990-92

MOTION RE: AG ISSUES FORUM - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Coffey) and carried to establish an FFA action committee to study the feasibility and costs of establishing activities for literacy in current agricultural issues pending support from the National FFA Foundation.

MOTION RE: DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Brad Lewis (Mr. Thompson) and carried to adopt the development of a program to address the substance abuse problem, provided outside funding is secured to develop and administer the program. The governing committee will approve the program which is developed in March for implementation during the 1990 State Presidents' Conference.

MOTION AMENDED - It was then moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Munter), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Michael) and carried to amend the above motion to read as follows: That staff and officers develop a program to address the substance abuse problem, provided outside funding is secured to develop and administer the program. The governing committee will approve the program which is developed in March for implementation during the 1990 State Presidents' Conference.

MOTION RE: SPECIAL GROUP PARTICIPATION AT NATIONAL CONVENTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Brad Lewis (Dr. Heiman) and carried to set up a process of bringing one selected group to the National Convention each year, with 1990 being a trial year for



Principals/Superintendents.

(It was stated that Joe Clark, Principal from New Jersey, was to be one of the motivational speakers at the 63rd National FFA Convention.)

MOTION RE: NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Denmark) and carried that the recommendations for improving the nominating committee process forwarded by Mr. Arnold Cordes and Dr. Stacy Gartin be transmitted to the FFA staff with the direction to make every effort to implement these recommendations in 1990. Further, that the following additions be transmitted as a part of those recommendations:

1. Officer candidates will be in official dress uniform at any time they are attending convention activities.
2. The nominating committee shall be encouraged to vary the interview format and questions from year to year.
3. Recommend that Earl Kantner be added to the adult consultant group in 1991, chair in 1993.
4. Recommend that the nominating committee require candidates to remain in sections 204-206 of the Municipal Auditorium whenever possible.

(See Appendix F ) for letter from Mr. Cordes and Dr. Gartin.)

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael) and carried to accept the report of the Leadership Committee.

25. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT - INTERNATIONAL/HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT - The International/Hall of Achievement Report was presented by Dr. David M. Coffey, Chair. The Board was asked to consider the following:

MOTION - It was moved by Scott Crouch, seconded by Brad Lewis and carried to approve the proposed plan to involve FFA members in the 40th FFJ convention and host a delegation of FFJ members and Japanese business representatives at the 63rd National FFA Convention.

MOTION AMENDED - It was then moved by Casey Isom (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Brad Lewis (Mr. Michael) and carried to amend the above motion by adding the words: "and seek Foundation sponsorship".

MOTION RE: FFA ACHIEVERS - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Dr. Heiman) and carried to select as "FFA Achievers" the following persons, for recognition at the National FFA Convention, and in the FFA Hall of Achievement:

Leadership	- Frederick McClure, Texas
Ag Production	- Bob Book, Indiana
Ag Education	- Carl M. Humphrey, Missouri
Ag Business	- Norman A. Brown, Michigan
At-Large	- Don Erickson, North Dakota (Posthumously)



MOTION - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi) and carried to accept the report of the International and Hall of Achievement Committee.

26. "FFA FANFARE BRASS" MOTION RECONSIDERED - It was moved by Dr. Coffey, seconded by Mr. Michael to reconsider the "FFA Fanfare Brass" motion. However, after the chairman called for the vote, MOTION FAILED.

The meeting was recessed at 12:10 p.m.

Thursday Afternoon, January 25, 1990

The meeting was reconvened at 1:10 p.m. with all Board members present.

27. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT - PUBLICATIONS, INFORMATION AND SUPPLY SERVICE - Mr. William Woody, Chair, stated that the committee was not bringing any motions before the board for action at this meeting but he did update them on their various areas. (Appendix G)

MOTION RE: CREED REVISION - A short discussion then ensued regarding the revision of the Creed at which time the following action was taken: It was moved by Brad Lewis, seconded by Scott Crouch that a survey be conducted through the *FFA New Horizons* Magazine to receive some creative input from FFA members and let the Manual Revision Committee report back to the July Board meeting the information they receive. MOTION FAILED.

MOTION - After further discussion, it was moved by Scott Crouch (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Lombardi) and carried to refer this issue (Creed Revision) to the Manual Revision Committee.

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Heiman), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Michael) and carried to accept the report of the Publications, Information and Supply Service Committee.

28. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT - The Finance Committee Report was presented by Mr. John Denmark, Chair, at which time he asked the Board to consider the committee's recommendations:

MOTION RE: TASK FORCE - It was moved by Casey Isom (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Woody) and carried that Task Force expenditures to study the Structure, Administrative Policies and Procedures of the National FFA Organization come out of Operating Reserves, up to \$30,000.00.

President Donnell Brown then asked Vice President Dan Schroer to assume the chair.

RECOMMENDATION - The next recommendation to be considered by the Boards was that the budget be reconstructed based on a 5% Capital Reserve Set-Aside, a 2% Operating Reserve Set-Aside and an increase of \$2.00 on the registration fee for the National FFA Convention after which the following motion was made:

MOTION - It was moved by Dr. Heiman, seconded by Mr. Lombardi and carried to divide the question.

MOTION - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Michael) and carried that the budget be reconstructed based on a 5% Capital Reserve Set-Aside and a 2% Operating Reserve Set-Aside.

MOTION - It was moved by Scott Crouch (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Bill Henricksen (Mr. Michael) and carried that there be an increase of \$2.00 on the registration fee for the National FFA Convention. *(This would make the registration fee \$20.00 in 1990.)*

President Brown then resumed the chair.

MOTION RE: REPAIR OF ROOF - It was moved by Brad Lewis (Mr. Woody), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Lombardi) and carried that the cost of replacing the roof on building No. 2 be taken from the Capital Reserve Fund.

MOTION - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Dr. Coffey), seconded by Scott Crouch (Mr. Lombardi) and carried to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

29. FINAL REVIEW OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET - Final review of the Preliminary Budget was presented by Mr. David Miller.

MOTION - It was moved by Casey Isom (Mr. Thompson), seconded by Dan Schroer (Mr. Woody) and carried to accept the Preliminary Budget.

30. MOTION RE: GOVERNING COMMITTEE APPOINTEE - It was moved by Dan Schroer (Mr. Michael), seconded by Brad Lewis (Mr. Denmark) and carried to appoint David Coffey to the Governing Committee.

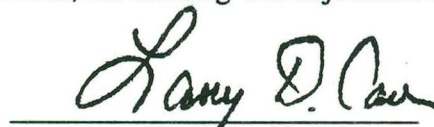
31. REMARKS OF CONSULTANTS AND BOARD MEMBERS - Chairman Case called on the consultants and retiring Board members for their remarks and then thanked them for their dedication and service. President Brown also thanked the group and said that he appreciated all the time and effort they had put in and that "it was a huge benefit to our organization."

Dr. Case next thanked the National Officer team and told them "they have performed as veterans" during these meetings.

CLOSING PRAYER - Vice President Brad Lewis then closed the meeting with a prayer and wished everyone a safe journey home.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

  
C. Coleman Harris, Secretary

  
Larry D. Case, Chairman



## APPENDIX A

### REMARKS

#### AGRICULTURE EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS

January 24, 1990

NVATA wants to extend our appreciation to the FFA Board of Directors for the opportunity to participate as consultants to this Board and work with a broad range of special committees and task forces that help gain grass roots input to decisions that affect this National FFA Organization.

We recognize the value and importance of FFA activities to our local programs that, when combined with a classroom curriculum meeting, local community needs, and experience programs that vitalize learning, create the foundation for a proven educational process.

Our resolve is to promote trust and teamwork with a commitment to communication, cooperation and coordination. As a team of officers on the NVATA Board of Directors, we want to participate in any way that we can to provide service, and to represent our membership. However, the NVATA Board is also charging itself with the responsibility of monitoring the number of days we are called away from our classrooms. Two of our Board members who met with committees on Monday and Tuesday this week, returned to their homes last night and are meeting with their students this morning.

We have reduced other travel days for our members, including a reduction of our own Board meeting schedule.

We trust that you, and others in the agriculture education community, will see that our resolve is to continue to make it possible for the very best teachers from across the country are able to seek positions of leadership on our Board, and that these teachers will be available to consult with you as we align personal and program agendas beneath a single overarching mission.

You can help us make most effective use of our work together by being sensitive to scheduling opportunities that will maximize our time together, meeting face to face whenever necessary, and making best use of alternative communications channels whenever possible as we all seek to develop a united national presence and collectively move toward great achievements in education and agriculture.

I do believe we are in the midst of a revolution in agricultural education, a course that requires sudden and progressive activity that must maintain bridges between the old and the new; the very difficult decisions we all must cooperate in making should embrace change while honoring and preserving traditional roots.

The NVATA Board has started new initiatives that seek to cooperate with the FFA Organization and The Council to encourage international studies and understanding of other cultures. We want to support teacher to teacher exchange opportunities with colleagues in other nations that will foster long term relationships between peoples, schools, communities and nations.

At our annual meeting in December, the NVATA announced a position opening for NVATA Executive Director. Mr. Sam Stenzel has finalized his plans for retirement in June 1991.

We are in the process of a national search for an individual who has significant experience in agricultural education. Teaching experience and knowledge of NVATA activities are preferred.

We solicit your help in identifying qualified candidates prior to an April 15, 1990 application deadline.

The NVATA Board has also been working to identify areas th at our own Board can grow through participation in leadership development activities. We recognize that to attract top people to our programs, we ourselves must be top people and our programs must be top programs.

The NVATA does recognize the impact of decisions we are now making, and will make in the next few months, on the future of our organization and on our commitment to translate the national mission and the seven national goals into reality. The national mobilization for a revolution in agricultural education is underway. Let us move forward, together.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas B. Spike  
NVATA President



**APPENDIX B**

**REMARKS**

**AGRICULTURE TEACHER EDUCATORS**

**January 24, 1990**

It is a privilege and pleasure to participate at the Board meeting as consultants.

While we represent the thoughts and consensus of teacher educators, it is difficult to diverse ourselves from the prospectus of the classroom teacher, future teachers and FFA members. We interact with all of them.

Common action of The Council, Center staff and officers serve the leadership with our new initiatives.

We are challenged as teacher educators by the Strategic Plan, particularly to assist in agricultural education as information seekers and researchers. We are proud to be a part of the process that will move agricultural education forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Malpiedi Kirby  
AATEA Consultant

MINUTES

GOVERNING COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

December 19, 1989

The meeting of the FFA Governing Committee was conducted by telephone on December 19, 1989. Those participating in the call included: C. Coleman Harris, Secretary, Mr. Les Thompson and Mr. William Woody, members of the Governing Committee.

After discussion and review by the Committee, it was moved by Les Thompson, seconded by William Woody and carried to activate the Constitutional Amendment to Article VI and VII dealing with the American FFA Degree effective with the 1990 American FFA Degree candidates with the addition of the following grandfather clause for 1990 only.

*"American FFA Degree candidates in their last year of eligibility may qualify for the degree on the old system (earned and productively invested \$5,000) or on the new system. All other candidates must qualify under the new requirements (earned and productively invested \$7,500 or have earned and productively invested \$1,500 and worked 2250 hours.)"*

It was further moved by William Woody, seconded by Les Thompson and carried to approve the Washington Conference Program brochure, \$17,850, and the Made For Excellence brochure, \$5,950, for funding through the National FFA Foundation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
C. Coleman Harris, Secretary



**National FFA Advisory Committee on Contests  
November 11, 1989  
Van Horn Room, Hyatt Regency Hotel  
Kansas City, Missouri**

**Committee:**

**Teachers:**

Jerry Bearden, Texas  
Jim Craft, Illinois  
H.W. Gilman, Montana  
John Hobert, Minnesota  
Tom Weber, Florida  
George Wheeler, Connecticut

**Teacher Educators:**

Jay Lark, Oklahoma (For James White)  
Mike Swan, Oregon (For C. Van Shelhamer)

**Supervisors:**

John Davis, Ohio (For Jim Scott)  
Norman Rohrbach, Missouri

**Others:**

Harry Adriance, FFA Coordinator, MA  
August Birchler, Vo-Ag Teacher, PA  
Victor Esposito, Ag Science & Tech Instructor, NH  
Ronald Frederick, Ag Teacher, PA  
Raleigh Jobes, Professor, OK  
Denise Megiel, FFA Advisor, MA  
Larry Redding, State FFA Advisor, PA  
Fred Springer, Ag Teacher, WA  
Bernie Staller, National FFA Foundation, Executive Director  
Randol Waters, Meats Contest Assoc. Supt, NV  
Duane Watkins, NVATA President, WY

**Contest Superintendents:**

Victor Bekkum - Ag Mech  
John Watkins - Dairy  
Carl Beeman - Dairy Foods  
Wayne Nattress - Dairy Holders  
John Murray - Farm Business Mgt  
Alan Kahler - Floriculture  
Marion Fletcher - Forestry  
Dale Redeker - Livestock  
William McVay - Livestock Holder  
Floyd Lark - Meats  
Alan McDaniel - Nursery/Landscape  
Leslie Olsen - Poultry

1. MOTION: John Davis moved, Jim Craft seconded and it was passed to integrate extemporaneous public speaking into the regular convention schedule.
2. MOTION: Wayne Gilman moved to return to 3 oral reasons and cut the written exam to 25 questions in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Judging Contest. John Davis seconded and motion passed.
3. MOTION: George Wheeler moved to recognize the top 10 students in Dairy showmanship, seconded by Mike Swan.
4. AMENDED MOTION: Jim Craft amended the motion to the top 10 students within the gold winners, seconded by Jay Lark. Amended motion passed.
5. MOTION: Jim Craft moved the multiple choice test for the National FFA Floriculture Contest remain at 50 questions to include practicum topics, seconded by Wayne Gilman. Motion passed.
6. MOTION: Jim Craft moved that the seventeen floriculture practicums recommended by Dr. Kahler be approved, seconded by Mike Swan. Motion passed.
7. MOTION: Mike Swan moved to investigate the problem of rescheduling the proficiency interviews so there would be no conflict with the agricultural mechanics contest, seconded by Jerry Bearden. Motion passed.
8. MOTION: Jerry Beardman moved to eliminate the livestock showmanship event, seconded by Wayne Gilman. Motion passed. The committee felt showmanship is needed in Dairy, but not in livestock.
9. MOTION: John Davis moved to consider an ag sales contest for 1991, seconded by Mike Swan. Motion passed.
10. MOTION: Wayne Gilman moved to return to allowing the states to decide the makeup of their team, seconded by George Wheeler. Motion passed.
11. MOTION: Jerry Beardman moved to allow the 4th team member to participate and be eligible for all awards and scholarships, seconded by Wayne Gilman. Motion passed.
12. MOTION: Jay Lark moved to allow all contest superintendents to become ex-officio members beginning with the 1991 National FFA Contest Advisory Committee, seconded by Jerry Beardman. Motion passed.
13. MOTION: Wayne Gilman moved to have an additional procedures meeting of National FFA Contest Advisory Committee to prepare for 1991 advisory committee make-up, seconded by Jim Craft. Motion passed.
14. MOTION: Jim Craft moved that a state in certifying teams for national FFA competition beginning with the 1991 contests must send in the results of their team and individual winners from the state contest and a copy of the membership roster in addition to the certification forms. The motion was seconded by George Wheeler and passed.



## SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR THE WINNING TEAM OF THE NATIONAL FFA POULTRY CONTEST

### PURPOSE:

1. Give greater recognition to the FFA Poultry Judging Contest Winners and the Southeastern Poultry and Egg Association.
2. Expand the educational value for the national winners and their instructors.
3. Publicize to the general public the story of the poultry industry and FFA.

### PLAN:

This activity would sponsor the four individuals on the National Poultry Judging team, their instructor and the contest Superintendent to the International Poultry Trade Show. While at the international show, the winners and their instructors would receive a full update on the latest in the industry. Materials for use in classrooms and public presentations would be available through the show exhibitors. You, as a sponsor, would be involved to the extent you choose.

After returning to their schools, the winning FFA members would be encouraged to make presentations to area service groups about the National FFA Poultry Contest, the poultry industry and the Southeastern Poultry & Egg Association.

### BUDGET:

Airfare (six)	\$3,600
Hotel (Provided by Southeastern Poultry & Egg Association)	
Food (six for two days)	275
Foundation General Support - 16% (1)	<u>725</u>
TOTAL	\$4,600 (2)

- (1) Sponsors are asked to pay a portion of all administrative costs of the National FFA Foundation Board policy uses a sliding scale of 12-16% of the final asking price. The larger the project, the lower the percentage requested.
- (2) You would be expected to pay the actual cost not to exceed \$4,600. If teams are within driving distance then costs would be considerably less.



## WISCONSIN FFA FOUNDATION

January 16, 1990

Sponsoring Committee

Executive Director  
Arnold B. CordesChairman  
Raymond L. HoeltM E M O:

TO: Don Michael, C. Coleman Harris, Tony Hoyt, Stacy Gartin,  
Eldon Witt, Sid Koon, Mark Timm

Dear Friends:

Re: 1989 National FFA Officer Nominating Committee --  
Evaluation and Recommendations

The National FFA Board of Directors meets soon. This report to them, via the Leadership Committee, evaluates the 1989 activity, and offers recommendations for improvement in 1990.

1. National staff need to understand the importance of replacements of adults on the nominating committee. The Superintendent representing the Board should understand his responsibility and be present early in the week and available throughout the week. Should check with us on a scheduled basis, and be available to the nominating committee if an emergency arises. During the July Board meeting, the representatives from the Board should receive some instruction. National staff (Larry Case) should review the test and stamp his approval. Probably the test should be mailed to Eldon Witt at an early date ahead of the convention to avoid any leaks or place any state staff in an uncomfortable or questionable position.
2. Each adult working with this committee in a lead role should first serve as an assistant the previous year to better comprehend the process.
3. Recommend Stacy Gartin be added to the adult consultant group of three persons, Chairman in 1992.
4. Our original recommendation (Cordes, Hovis, Witt) was each state should have the opportunity to serve on the nominating committee a minimum of once each ten years. This level of participation by states should be reviewed and adhered to, if possible. However, the best committee possible should be selected each year.
5. Sufficient information should be mailed to nominating committee pertaining to their responsibility. Some expressed concern about arrival time, first dinner meeting Saturday evening, and particularly, the payment of their registration fees. (If Eldon Witt receives the names of the nominating committee in adequate time, he could handle this assignment as adult chair in 1990.)
6. Recommend the nominating committee be housed on a floor in hotel separate from the candidates to avoid unnecessary and conflict-of-interest contact.
7. In the orientation to "interviewing procedures" and techniques, we have no objection to either person, Mark or Scott, but it appeared that Mark Mayfield had more time this year to relate ideas when he worked alone. We stress no objection to either one or both for they have excellent "bedside" manner and can do a good job working together.



8. There should be consistency in the test questions (for example, not overloaded with sponsor identification one year and hardly mentioned the following year.)
9. The Sponsor's Banquet is a direct conflict on Thursday evening. Perhaps National can have other blue jackets available besides members of the nominating committee.
10. Revise the Nominating Committee Report (a suggested revision is included.) Please propose adoption by Board.
11. The National Officer application form should include a small black and white photo of applicant attached to front page for nominating committee referral. Two prints have been requested in prior years. One of these could be "run through" the copier for this purpose.
12. Move the nominating committee process to 5th floor to eliminate many distractions and loop holes in the nomination system.
  - a. The move would drastically reduce the noise problem. The only people in or near the rooms would be the candidates and the committee.
  - b. With access to rooms 500A and 500B, the candidates could watch the convention on a closed circuit TV in one room as well as have a much desired study area in the other room. The move would be a 99% atmosphere improvement.
  - c. The move would also eliminate any collusion between candidates. After a candidate completes his/her interview, they would be required to leave the floor with no chance to share information.
  - d. Maintain reserved seating section opposite 204-06 as a convention observation section for officer candidates when they are officially excused from interviewing procedure.
  - e. Place reserved seating signs on both sides of the area early in the convention proceedings (Wednesday morning at the latest).
  - f. Request the assignment of permanent courtesy corps member to be present at all times to prevent intermingling of convention attendees and candidates (preferably an adult and an FFA corps member).
  - g. 5th floor becomes off-limit territory immediately outside the elevator doors (a messenger will relay information if contact needs to be made with a candidate).
13. Written official report of National FFA Officer Nominating Committee should not be submitted for publication until announced from the stage by the Chair of the nominating committee. This change will reduce "news leaks"--a major problem in 1989. Because all states are mailed a copy of the Convention Proceedings following the convention, the new national officer information can be added or included as an addendum.
14. Other suggestions for improvement were received by the committee, but these can be handled by the committee.

15. This completes my tenure on this committee, having served since 1983 by Board appointment to evaluate the process and to recommend changes. The process is going well, with annual refinement. It has been a pleasure to have served on this committee.

Sincerely,



Arnold Cordes, 1989 Chair.

Adult Consultants

National FFA Officer

Nominating Committee

ABC:kc

Enclosure



# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, The Nominating Committee, have given careful and deliberate consideration to all applicants running for national office. The Committee nominates the following slate of candidates to the delegates of the 62nd National Convention to serve as National Officers for the year 1990-91.

President \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

Vice President  
Central Region \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

Vice President  
Eastern Region \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

Vice President  
Southern Region \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

Vice President  
Western Region \_\_\_\_\_ [State]

National Treasurer David Miller, Baltimore, Maryland

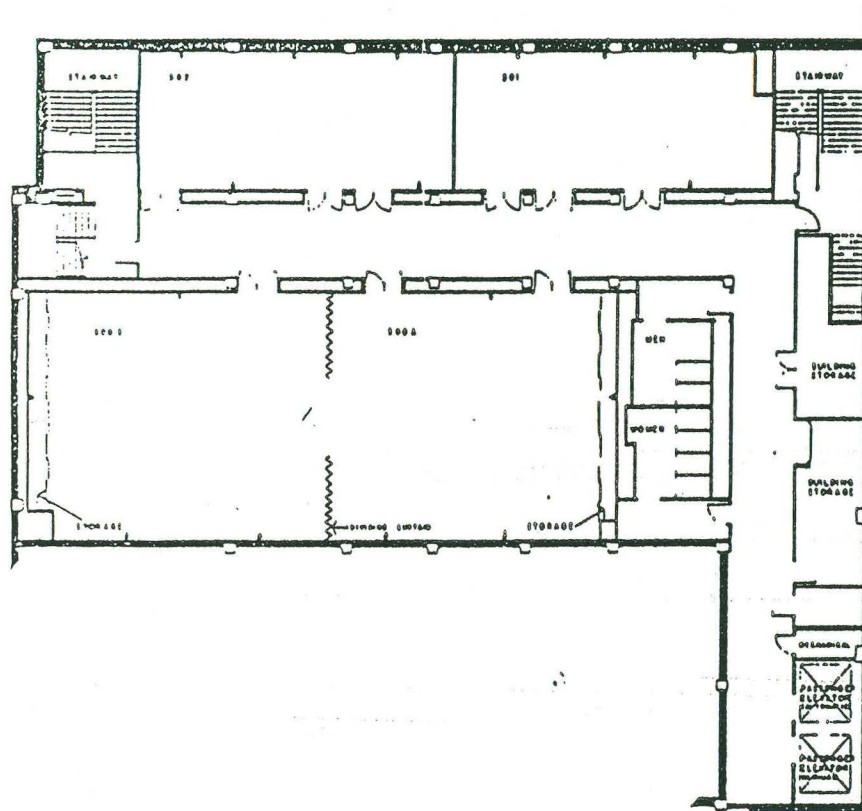
National Executive  
Secretary G. Coleman Harris, Washington, D.C.

National Advisor Larry D. Case, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully Submitted:

_____ [Chairman]	_____ [State]	_____ [Member]	_____ [State]
_____ [Co-Chairman]	_____ [State]	_____ [Member]	_____ [State]
_____ [Secretary]	_____ [State]	_____ [Member]	_____ [State]
_____ [Member]	_____ [State]	_____ [Consultant]	_____ [State]
_____ [Member]	_____ [State]	_____ [Consultant]	_____ [State]
_____ [Member]	_____ [State]	_____ [Consultant]	_____ [State]

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(Date)



DIMENSIONAL DATA				
ROOM NO.	ROOM NAME	AREA	PERIMETER	HEIGHT
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500B	500B	120' 0" x 20' 0"	120' 0"	12' 0"
500C	500C	120' 0" x 20' 0"	120' 0"	12' 0"
501	501	40' 0" x 10' 0"	40' 0"	12' 0"
502	502	40' 0" x 10' 0"	40' 0"	12' 0"

SYMBOLS	
⊙	ELECTRICAL RECEPTACLE

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM	
MEETING ROOMS - FIFTH LEVEL	
KANSAS CITY CONVENTION CENTER	
NORTH	SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

Kansas City Convention Center  
 Meeting Rooms - Fifth Level  
 Architect: [Signature]  
 Date: [Date]





Agricultural Education

**West Virginia University**

College of Agriculture and Forestry

National FFA Board of Directors Meeting  
January 22 - 25, 1990

To: National Board of Directors

From: Stacy A. Gartin, Chairperson - National FFA Officer Candidates  
Tabulation Committee

Re: Tabulations committee report

First of all, I would like to commend the 1989-90 National FFA Officers on being selected to direct the greatest youth organization in the world. With the proper nurturing and direction from the National FFA staff they could well be the finest slate of officers to lead this Organization. I truly believe that in such changing and challenging times which our Organization is facing an increased communications effort must exist among the National FFA Staff, the National FFA Officers and the National Board of Directors.

The present National Officers were selected from a total of 35 candidates. The region with the greatest number of candidates was the Western region with 12. The Central region followed close behind with 11 while the Southern region had 7 and the Eastern region had 5. Only the top 50% of the candidates in each region can be considered for a national office. A candidate's ranking is based on his/her cumulative score which consists of the Written Test score (200 points), SAEP score (200 points), and the Interview scores (600 points).

The following is a mean ( $\bar{X}$ ) break down by region:

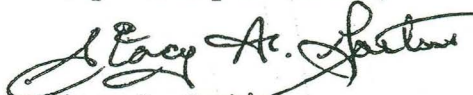
Region	Test Score	SAEP
Eastern	135.6	122.60
Southern	122.57	126.81
Central	132.72	154.78
Western	<u>113.33</u>	<u>142.58</u>
Over all $\bar{X}$ =	124.46	140.40

I have three recommendations at this time:

1. That the National FFA Organization pay the room expenses of the National FFA Board of Directors Consultant in charge of writing, administering and grading the written test, and organizing and tabulating the scores for the SAEP and Interview portion of the process. I believe this is a reasonable request due to the additional time one is expected to be in Kansas City, not to mention the long hours involved with such a task.

2. That the representative from the National Board of Directors arrive on Saturday to assist the National FFA nominating committee with their many functions in getting the process underway.
3. Since Dr. Jerry Peters assisted with scoring process this year and is well versed with the process that he be given the responsibility to chair the committee in charge of tabulation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stacy A. Gartin".

Stacy A. Gartin  
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cc: Eldon Witt  
Sidney Koon  
Tony Hoyt  
Coleman Harris  
Larry Case



**Publications, Information and Supply Service**  
**Standing Committee Report**  
**1/23/90**

Attendees: Andy Markwart, Glenn Luedke, Jack Pitzer, Wilson Carnes, Dennis Shafer, Jan Brown, Bill Stagg, Lynn Hamilton, Bill Henricksen, Casey Isom, William Woody, Leonard Lombardi, David Coile, Dennis Jackson

**Publications**

- A. Editorial—Andy Markwart reported that the magazine name change seems to have been well accepted. Currently, the magazine staff is planning the editorial content for the coming year.
- B. *BETWEEN ISSUES*—Jack Pitzer reported that *BETWEEN ISSUES* is growing because of the Foundation and NVATA using it as a forum for sponsor information and reporting activities for the association.

The goals for the publication are to send a *BETWEEN ISSUES* to each teacher, and to publish a pull-out section for officers in some of the issues, Mr. Pitzer reported

- C. Advertising—Glenn Luedke reported that ad revenue for the magazine is down about 20 percent. He is looking for new sources of advertising, as some markets, such as ATVs, have cut back advertising in youth publications. The name change has not been accepted well by advertisers.

**Information**

Bill Stagg reported on several areas within the Program of Activities within which the Information department has been working.

- A. New projects due to be published this spring include the Student Handbook, the Advisor's Guide to the Student Handbook, the Reporter's Handbook, the Advisor's PR and Marketing Guide and Food For America. A new convention film should be finished in February.
- B. The "Agriculture's New Professionals" film is currently available through the Supply Service for \$9.95, on free loan from Vernard Films, and 9,000 copies will be distributed separately through John Deere.
- C. Mr. Stagg reported that the Manual Revision Committee presented two Creed revisions at the National FFA Convention to the group of 12 delegate committee chairmen. The Manual Revision Committee recommended that feedback be generated from students, advisors and state staff members between now and the July board meeting, and that

formal action be proposed to the Board in July. After discussion, it was decided that the Manual Committee would continue developing and researching further options on the Creed to be presented to the Board in July.

- D. FFA Today—One show was aired in September over satellite and carried by some 40 local stations. Further production of the show was stopped due to a lack of advertising support. The license agreement was terminated in January with Heartland Communications and there are no plans currently to proceed with the show. Other proposals for broadcast of FFA materials are being considered.

### Supply Service

- A. Dennis Shafer presented a report on Supply Service sales for the current fiscal year. (see Attachment A.) Overall, sales are down about \$91,000, but expenses are also down, resulting in an \$8,000 increase in income from last year. New items that were introduced grossed \$48,283 in the past four and one-half months.
- B. The official FFA *Supply Catalog* will have a new format next year. Mr. Shafer said the current catalog is too crowded with new items that have been added over the last five years, and a new format is necessary.
- C. Several new items were proposed by the National FFA Supply Service Delegate Committee. The Supply Service is currently investigating production of those items.
- D. Mr. Shafer reported that the current jacket manufacturer is in danger of going out of business, and he is looking for new suppliers for the jacket. The jacket will remain the same except computerized lettering will be used instead of the current hand lettering. Cost will remain approximately the same.

The committee adjourned at 3:15 p.m.