

# 2017 FFA Planning Committee Meeting

November 7, 2017

## Attending

Milton Natusch  
Elena Hovagimian  
Donna Woolam  
Dr Ken Parker  
Dr Dave Hopson  
Norm Hammond  
Jim Pomeroy  
Janet Hammond  
Loren Andrews – laa56@cox.net  
Andrew Zamora  
Danny Quinn – dannyquinn2014@gmail.com  
B. Harrison Griffin

**Meeting called to order** – 9:31 am

**Secretary's Report** – Accepted. Posted online.

**Treasurer's Report** – Dr Parker – See attached

## Communications if any

Several thank you notes were given out and passed along to Jim Putnam and Gene Cassidy. Milt made a concerted effort to get them done.

## Reports -

**Donna Woolam – The Big E** – Please see attached. Coaches asking for Parking credentials on Thursday morning needs to stop. Please make sure you plan ahead. Superintendents we would like to ask to have Judge's names in on time so we can give a check out before they leave.

**National FFA Report** – Kevin Keith – Report attached. Donna would like intern program added to Kevin Keith's report. There was difficulty in getting National Officer to attend The Big E. The intern program is an important component. Donna will send Kevin an email addressing this. Milton suggested sending a note to National FFA. This is of value.

**Asst Coordinators Report – Danny** – See attached. Half the Eastern Region was here. Enjoyed the breakfast with Donna . Loved media party and event but did not like location. Interns did different jobs and the pre-bio was of value to the Fair to allocate people as needed.

**Big E Coordinators report** - Milton Natusch – FFA Corsage booth. Problem is there are several days the Booth is empty. Develop a quality pull down in the booth. Look at wording the value towards marketing re volunteer hours. The booth was full 60% of the time. Video is going. Table the item until the spring.

## **CDE Superintendents Report**

**Stars program report** – Harrison Griffin (Given by Milt Natusch) - Going to miss Jim Putnam. But he will continue to be involved. The circus The tent and the redesign. The pageant went off very well. Donna mentioned that there may be a different tent.

**Agriscience** – Harold – Lots of people to judge these things. Always looking to be judges.

**Floral Design and Landscape.** – Both contests went really well. Clear up the email problem. 41 competitors in Floral Designs. Scoresheets and feedback to be given back. Judges would be appreciated.

Themes for 2020 –

2020 – Aquascape for Landscape 2020 – Beachcomber

2019 – Apple crates – will be implemented. 2018 Shelves continue for 1 more year.

Purchase Floral Putty. Farm-A-Rama staff to purchase.

Thank you to Norm for his years of service.

**Safe Tractor** – Andrew and Jim – Had a great year. Everything went smooth. Judge, participants and all went well. Interns were great. Thank you to Donna and Bart's Trucking.

Sheraton – Needs to be notified as to what the times are for the events not the rental times.

**Floriculture** – Milton Natusch – Charles Mavrelion has a lot of contestants. It was brought up that the floral items available are not consistent to each participant. Everyone should get the same starting set to make sure that all are being evaluated fairly. Milton to address with Charles.

**Awards Banquet** – Norm Hammond – Interns are great. Derek Hill had a great time. Everything went smoothly.

**Livestock** – Donna Woolam. Judges are a challenge. New rooms were created with pipe and drape to give reasons.

## **Old Business**

**Stipend allotment for FFA State Staff to attend Big E FFA Days.** - Milton addressed this, that State Staff is not covered in terms of travelling. Limited budget and have to choose what event to spend funding on. There would need to be a vetting process via Janet Hammond. Donna Woolam proposed a mini-

grant option. Exploration needs to be made, to specify the requirements. An application process to apply for a grant based on the IAFE scholarship. Up to \$250 to attend the Big E. Receipts must be submitted. Information would be based on need. This would be up to \$250 and must explain their responsibility to their state office and promoting their FFA role. 2016 Motion rescinded by Dr Parker. Second by H. Griffin.

New Motion- to have a committee to look at this. Motion Made by Jim Pomeroy. Second by Andrew Zamora. Exploration needs to be made, to specify the requirements. An application process to apply for a grant based on the IAFE scholarship. Receipts must be submitted. Information would be based on need. This would be up to \$250 and must explain their responsibility to their state office and promoting their FFA role. By January 10 information needs to be prepared. Elena, Milton and Dr Hobson to be the committee.

**Quiz Bowl LDE Pilot** - There was brief discussion about this motion. We need someone to run the competition.

## **New Business**

**Consideration of Purchasing FFA Items** – Applied Icon llc Chairs and pop up tent. Discussion ensued regarding placement and location for this. No motion made.

**Recognition of Retiring Superintendents** – Norm and Janet Hammond – are retiring. Award presentation made. It was noted that Norm and Janet have been very giving with their volunteer hours. It is very much appreciated how they both have helped out over the years. They were presented with their gifts.

**Data Collection of Emergency Contact** – Child Protection Policy Donna working on. Donna discussed as she will keep information flowing. Chain of Command in regarding students participating in FFA is already established through the school. Emergency contact information. Include the form for emergency contact information in each CDE to include a sign in period. Jim Pomeroy to get information regarding emergency and registration to the waiver form.

### **Other Items**

**Zoom** - To be included as part of the 2018 meeting.

**Election of officers** – Dr Parker is looking for a replacement and is willing to work with them for one more year. 40 years is enough.

**Election of Officers** - Officers retained. Unanimously passed.

**Next meeting date** - November 6, 2018

**Meeting Adjourned 11:34 am**