

Wisconsin FFA Center Board
Meeting at Hotel Sierra – Meeting Room 6AB
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM

Call to Order at 7:15 p.m. by President Jeff Zobeck

- Approval agenda with flexibility Hanson/Nowak

Members Present: Brad Gefvert, Randy Ehrenberg, Marty Nowak, Jeff Zobeck, Jeff Hicken, Kristin Hanson, Rene Lehman, Cheryl Zimmerman

Members Absent: Mike Robinson

Approval of Minutes Ehrenberg/Nowak

- FFA Center Operations, Executive Director Update , and NASAE and National Council Responsibilities
 - Cream Sheet, see attached document
- Financial Report
 - Affiliation Fees – See Handout
 - GPR dollars – The discussion included whether or not there may be GPR funding in the future and that we need to be prepared for changes in the future.
- Approval of Budget – Discussion was held regarding the rate of the affiliation fee. The fee has remained at \$300 since 1998. Moved by Ehrenberg and seconded by Nowak to approve the budget. Motion passed.
- 2009-2010 End of Year Financial Report - Report was reviewed.
- Equipment Update & Update on printers and software – Operations cost for printer is higher than expected, looking at ways to save money on faxes.
- Contracted Services
- Summer Assistant Position Announcement – Position description was handed out. Deadline for application is February 1st. Motion to approve by Ehrenberg second by Lehman. Motion passed.
- Reimbursement for Educational Credits – Move to draft a MOU to pay for \$150 per credit for up to 6 credits per contract year for the executive director to further their education. The stipend will be paid upon the successful (passing) completion of the credits and after submission to the board president. Motion by Gefvert. Second by Ehrenberg. Motion passed.
- Review meeting schedule - Next meeting at Half-Time - January 7, 2011
- Motion to adjourn by Nowak, seconded by Hanson. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

FFA Center Board Representatives Term

Sections 1&2 Kristin Hanson 2009-2012

Sections 3&4 Mike Robinson 2010-2013

Sections 5&10 Randy Ehrenberg 2010-2013

Sections 6&7 Brad Gefvert 2008-2011

Sections 8&9 Renee Lehman 2008-2011

WAAE Marty Nowak President-Elect 2010-2011

WAAE Jeff Zobeck President 2010-2011

Wisconsin FFA Center, Inc. and Wisconsin Association of FFA
2010-2011 State Theme: *Powered by Potential*
NOVEMBER 2010

What's Happening In FFA

Very Successful National FFA Convention!!!

New 212° and 360° Conferences introduced this weekend in Green Bay (replaces the MFE and ALD conference curricula)

Working to develop a new Annual Report Publication as a joint project of Wisconsin Association of FFA and FFA Foundation

Developing plans for the new COLT conference to be offered Summer of 2011 in Green Lake

World Dairy Expo – Development of Youth Education Committee – First Conference Call Nov. 17

Weekly FFA Updates and Website continue as key communication tool to advisors – Online Registration, State Officer Blogs

Online FFA Membership Rosters – Working with teachers in submitting membership

New National Affiliation Fee Program - 22 chapters have signed on to participate

National FFA will be introducing the new Agricultural Careers Network next school year – this will involve a new membership processing system as well as a portfolio system for every agricultural education student

Plans to have a group of teachers meet at the Half-Time Conference to review the Wisconsin Agriscience Fair

FFA & FFA Center Activities

July:	NLCSO – Springfield, Illinois Final preparation and mailing of National Award forms State Fair Band and Chorus entries, housing and chaperones	Wisconsin CDE Certification for National Convention Safe Tractor Operators Contest - July 20 - FTD Follow-up from State Convention
August:	State Officers Partnered with DATCP during State Fair State Officers part of Governors Red, White and Blue Auction – State Fair Attended Wisconsin State Fair – August 9-12	State Officers Partnered with State Fair Discovery Barn Jag Lake State Officer Retreat – August 17-20
September:	Sectional Leadership Workshops - Sept. 13-16 FIRE Conference – FVTC-Appleton – September 25 – Jeff Hicken supervised Sectional Leadership Workshops – Sept. 27-30	Sectional Leadership Workshops - Sept. 20-22 World Dairy Expo – September 28
October:	FIRE Conference - Oct. 2 – UW-Madison Farm Technology Days Sneak Peek – Marshfield – State Officer Involvement/Farm Tours National FFA Convention – Oct. 17-23	FIRE Conference – Oct. 9 - UW-River Falls
November:	Follow Up from National Convention National FFA Leadership Certificate Work Group – November 3-5 Membership Roster Assistance Prep Materials for District Speaking Contests	212/360 Leadership Conferences – Green Bay - Nov. 12-13 Half-Time Conference Registration Materials December Meeting Planning

National Activities

NASAE Conference Calls National Council for Agricultural Education – Conference Calls – Full Board and Executive Committee
 National Council Meeting – October 6-8 – Reno, NV Planning 2010 NASAE Annual Conference – Big Project Completed!!!!
 NASAE Annual Meeting – October 17-20 – Indianapolis, IN
 NASAE – National President – 2009-2010 – Now serving last year as Past President
 National Leadership Certificate Work Group – November 3-5 – Indianapolis, IN

Current Projects Underway

Receiving and Processing FFA Center Affiliation Fees	Assistance with Online FFA Membership Rosters
Reviewing Evaluations and Reports of State FFA Officers'	Chapter Visits
December Meeting Planning	Half-Time Conference Planning
Speaking Contest Material Development	State Convention Planning Begins
Working to develop State Committee Work with State Officers	

Upcoming Events

Farm Bureau Annual Meeting – Dec. 4-5 – Wisconsin Dells - State Officers in Attendance
 State FFA Officer December Meeting - December 6-9 – Marshfield
 FFA Half-Time Conference – January 6-8 – Stevens Point
 First District Speaking Contest – January 17
 School Board Convention – Milwaukee – January 19-20
 CTSO Legislative Day – February 10 - Madison
 State FFA Alumni Convention – February 11-13 - Stevens Point
 FFA Board of Directors Meeting - Feb. 17-18 - Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapids
 FFA Farm Forum - Feb. 18-19 - Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapid
 FFA Week - Feb. 19-26, 2011
 National Ag Ed Summit – March 2-4 - Orlando, FL
 State FFA Proficiency Award Judging – March 11-12 – Wisconsin Dells
 National Ag Day – March 13-15 – Washington D.C. – Alicia
 State FFA Board Meeting – March 17-18 – Madison
 Janesville CDEs – March 19
 UW-Platteville CDEs – March 24
 National Teach Ag Day – March 24
 212° and EDGE Conferences - March 25-26 – Eau Claire
 FVTC-Appleton CDEs – April 2

UW-River Falls CDEs – April 2
State CDEs – April 29 - Madison
State FFA Convention – June 13-16 - Madison

Other Assignments

DSA Board – Changes have been made so Cheryl Zimmerman is no longer a voting board member but an invited party to attend board meetings to provide input regarding agricultural education and FFA opportunities with the Center for Agricultural Excellence.

Leadership Conference Attendance

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Sectional Leadership Workshops	1919	2103	2173	2086	2028	2075	2192
FIRE Conferences	635	755	677	663	703	616	646
Fall 212 and	376	361	339	484	487	489	672
360 Leadership Development Conferences							

2010 Business and Industry Visits

Genex/CRI – Shawano	Dupont Cheese - Marion
Meyer Manufacturing – Dorchester	Bob’s Dairy Supply - Dorchester
Tractor Central – Mondovi	Mondovi Dairy Systems - Mondovi
Jennie-O Turkey - Barron	Bell Timber - Barron
LEER Manufacturing – New Lisbon	Wisconsin River Meats - Mauston
Dairyland Power Cooperative - LaCrosse	Trelay Seeds - Livingston
Immuno Dynamics - Fennimore	Southwest Technical College - Fennimore
Renk Seeds – Sun Prairie	Landmark Cooperative – Cottage Grove
Vita Plus – Madison	Tyson Foods – Jefferson
United Cooperative – Beaver Dam	Scoops Ice Cream - Chilton
Stoelting/Polarware - Kiel	

2010 NATIONAL FFA AWARD RESULTS – WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF FFA

2010 National FFA Convention Results - Congratulations Wisconsin Association of FFA!!!

Congratulations to all of the award winners, finalists, members, advisors and alumni that represented the Wisconsin Association of FFA at the National FFA Convention. You did an excellent job!! We are very proud of your accomplishments. Keep up the great work!!!

American Stars

American Star in Ag Placement Candidate - Dan Griesbach, Marshfield FFA

National FFA Proficiency Award Winners

Dairy Production (E) - Mitch Krahn, Brillion FFA
Equine Science (P) - Katherine Dreier, Wisconsin Heights FFA
Forest Management and Products - Logan Wells, Monroe FFA

National Agriscience Teacher

Rick Henningfeld - Big Foot FFA Chapter - National 1st Runner Up

National Agriscience Fair

1st Gold - Environmental Science - Team Grades 7, 8 and 9 - Grandon Scheil and Jacob Pintens, Barron FFA
3rd Gold - Engineering - Individual Grades 7, 8 and 9 – Joey Domine, Cochrane-Fountain City FFA
3rd Gold – Biochemistry/Microbiology/Food Science –
Team Grades 7, 8, and 9 – Nicole Buss and Lance Grorud, New Auburn FFA

Honorary American Degree Recipients

Al Hermann Jim Massey
Paul Palmby Dean and Mary Gagnon

Hall of States Booth

Thank you to the Lodi FFA Chapter for hosting the Wisconsin Association of FFA Booth in the Hall of States.

National Career Development Event Results

Job Interview - McKenzie Baecker, Cochrane-Fountain City FFA - 2nd place Gold
Floriculture - Ryan Spaude, Oconto Falls - 9th Place Individual
Floriculture - Kaitlyn Tesch, Oconto Falls - Gold
Dairy Cattle Handling - Rob Peters, Oconomowoc FFA - Gold
Agricultural Mechanics - Alex Ylvisaker, Edgerton FFA - Gold
Dairy Cattle Evaluation - Brock Kasten, Mitch Krahn, Blake Klessig and Monique Levash - Brillion FFA - Gold
Horse Evaluation - Megan Klumphyan, Plymouth FFA - Gold
Livestock Evaluation - Amanda Patterson, River Ridge FFA - Gold
Nursery Landscape - Jared Mehre, Eugene Schoenborn and Kira Ruechel, Elkhart Lake FFA - Gold
Poultry Evaluations - Erica Lamers and Alyssa Gosz, Brillion FFA - Gold

Gold Rated CDE Teams

Agricultural Mechanics - Edgerton FFA

Dairy Cattle Evaluation - Brillion FFA

Horse Evaluation - Plymouth FFA

Nursery Landscape - Elkhart Lake FFA - 9th Place Gold

Poultry Evaluation - Brillion FFA - 10th Place Gold

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Position Available

Wisconsin FFA Center - Summer Assistant

Position:

Summer assistant position focusing on helping the Wisconsin FFA Center, Inc. operate more efficiently to serve advisors and members during the summer. Help to develop and improve FFA public relations and assist with summer FFA activities and responsibilities.

Major Responsibilities:

- * Assist with State FFA Convention responsibilities when needed before and during convention, along with assisting with convention follow-up activities.
- * Assist in producing and reviewing State FFA Convention press releases and other media related items.
- * Assist in the coordination of the State FFA Convention activities and helping with a variety of convention related assignments.
- * Assist at the WAAE Professional Development Conference.
- * Assist with the preparation of Degree, Proficiency and Chapter Applications to be sent to National FFA by specified deadlines.
- * Organize State FFA Band and Chorus Registration for State Fair and serve as the lead chaperone.
- * Complete other duties assigned by FFA Executive Director.

Optional:

- * Write and edit Wisconsin FFA Proficiency and Star Video Scripts – To begin after March 20. To be paid as a separate project sponsored through the Wisconsin FFA Foundation.

Position Requirement:

A strong understanding of the Wisconsin Association of FFA. Skills: Excellent oral and written communication skills. Time management, organizational and computer skills. Knowledge of the Wisconsin Association of FFA and its programs and activities. Preference may be given to Agricultural Education majors.

Location/Salary:

Position located at the Wisconsin FFA Center in Spencer, Wisconsin. Some travel will be required: State Convention, WAAE Professional Development Conference and State Fair. \$2,800 stipend plus expenses associated with job responsibilities. Credit option may be available through university programs.

To Apply

Send resume by February 1, 2011 including formal education, work experience, FFA experience, education and curriculum experiences and references to:

Cheryl Zimmerman, Executive Director, Wisconsin FFA Center, P.O. Box 110, Spencer, WI 54479.

Critical Dates:

Employment from May 16 - August 19, 2011. (Flexible starting and ending dates.)

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Wisconsin FFA Center Affiliation Fees

Year	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Total Chapters Paid	247	245	245	245	246	247	250	248	247	245	248	249	247	245	247	230
Option 1 Chapters	235	237	199 (237)	239	238	241	242	243	243	243	246	246	246	245	247	230
Option 2 Chapters	12	8	8	6	8	6	8	5	4	2	2	3	1	0	0	0
Separate Convention Fee	0	0	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chapters-Not Paying	4	7	8	8	7	9	3	3	5	3	2	1	3	3	1	
Chapters-Past Due Acct.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Chapters to Pay affiliation fee	251	252	253	253	253	256	253	251	252	248	250	250	250	248	248	248

Horicon – new chapter and affiliation fee is waived for 2010-2011 school year
Almond Bancroft – new chapter and affiliation fee is waived for 2010-2011 school year