

Wisconsin Association of FFA Board of Directors Meeting
January 14th, 2022 – From All Corners of Wisconsin - Stevens Point
Opened: 1:03 p.m.

Call the Meeting to Order: The meeting was opened at 1:03 PM by State FFA President Ben Styer.

Attendance:

Mrs. Cheryl Zimmerman..... Wisconsin FFA Association Executive Director
Mr. Ben Styer..... State President
Katie Zimmer..... State Vice President
Mrs. Linda Zimmer..... Flambeau Advisor
Casey Denk..... State Vice President
Ms. Shauna White..... Mondovi Advisor
Amara Livingston State Parliamentarian
Ms. Christine Jumbeck.....Cochrane Fountain City Advisor
Mia Hillebrand.....State Secretary
Mrs. Shari Graffunder.....River Valley FFA Advisor
Aubrey Schlimgen.....State Sentinel
Ms. Paula Bakken.....Marshall Advisor
Emily Dahlke..... State Treasurer
Ms. Becky Grabarski.....Adams-Friendship Advisor
Mr. Caleb Santy..... Pulaski Advisor
Lashawna Vogel..... State Reporter
Ms. Mary Handrich.....Denmark Advisor
Mr. Marty Nowak.....Denmark Advisor
Sydney Bender..... State Vice President
Mrs. Konkel..... Big Foot FFA Advisor

Purpose of Meeting:

This meeting served as a general welcome to all members of the board of directors. This meeting gave the opportunity for the state officers to fill their advisors in on what they have been doing as officers since being elected back in July and a brief rundown of their plans to come. Mrs. Zimmerman led a discussion about questions on the year to come for the future of Wisconsin FFA.

Review of Past Months:

Mrs. Sally Ladsten starts on January 31st at DPI and serves as Wisconsin's FFA Advisor. State Officers are traveling to chapter visits, Virtual Event Nights, looking forward to in-person and virtual National FFA Week. Wisconsin FFA has a National FFA Officer, Courtney Zimmerman from the Spencer FFA Chapter, now serving as the Central Region Vice President. Thank you to the Fall Leadership Workshop hosts. 1,879 members attend FLW's across the state. Mission/Impact success this past November. Reviewed calendar, upcoming events, and due dates for Wisconsin FFA officers and board. DPI receives mail on Tuesdays. 17,130 members enrolled as of January 14th of 2022.

Plan for What Is to Come:

National Inservice will be attended by Mrs. Zimmerman, Bobbie Joe Montgomery, Mark Zimmerman, Mrs. Ladsten as a teacher. Wisconsin FFA Alumni Convention and raffle. CTSO Day is pending to be virtual or in-person.

Joe Schlies joined the website team and is doing a great job thank you. Grant Staszak, FFA Alumni, is currently running Leadership Development Event Registration.

Washington Leadership Conference registration opens March 1st and the District of Columbia is in the discussion of mandate vaccination cards or negative tests.

MOU from DPI needed to be passed by CTSO Organizations. Amara Livingston moved the decision that Ben Styer signs MOU on behalf of the Wisconsin FFA Association. Emily Seconded Motion. Passed by Wisconsin State FFA Board.

Wisconsin FFA State Degree due February 8th submitted electronically. Virtual events count for events above the chapter level from the last year. Motion is made by Casey Danke and Sydney Bender seconded the motion. Wisconsin Association of FFA Board passed a motion. Virtual Training for State Degree for students and teachers are being held, State degree review at Farm Forum along with next Board meeting.

State FFA Convention is looking for keynote speakers and entertainment. Sectional Leadership Development Events are underway with registration and first contests next week. Career Development Events are still to be determined in-person or virtual.

Upcoming Leadership Training for Members:

Wisconsin State FFA Officers are hosting Virtual Training Nights on various topics including State Degrees, Proficiencies, speaking contests, and many other leadership events. Farm Forum is for High School Juniors in Wisconsin FFA to attend in Wisconsin Rapids on February 18th. Edge & Fire will be held on the days of March 18th and 19th.

Questions/Comments/Concerns:

We will be discussing and evaluating State Degrees at our next coming meeting at Wisconsin Farm Forum.

Closing Statements:

Meet together at Farm Forum for further discussion. Aubrey motioned the meeting to be adjourned and Sydney seconded. Wisconsin Association of FFA Board adjourned meeting at 2:51 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mia Hillebrand".

Mia Hillebrand

State Secretary

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