

## Center Board Minutes

January 12, 2018

Stevens Point

All Board members in attendance: Rachel Sauvola arrived at 10:30am. Nicole Nelson and Troy Talford on phone.

1. Meeting called to order by Kevin Hoffman at 10:05am.

2. Approve November 10<sup>th</sup> Minutes - Motion by Shari Graffunder and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jake Cramer. Motion passed

3. ED Report Cheryl Zimmerman –

### General Updates

- Working hard on LDE's.
- New Parli Pro format big changes
- New FFA band and choir applications online
- Discussion on the change of format online for FFA applications, advisors cannot access student's applications without student user name and password. Causing some frustrations. Something needs to change on Nationals side.
- Discussion on affiliated chapters. Some schools looking to switch back to the traditional method of non-affiliated. Something that needs to be looked at and addressed to encourage chapters to stay affiliated.
- Updates on upcoming events.

4. Financial Report

- Finances are where they should be this time of year.
- In the next quarterly report, we will see the \$5.00 processing fee for fall 2017 conferences.
- Down on students for Half-Time Conference. Cheryl commented that she hopes this is not because we removed the late conference fee registration. She encourages chapters to still register even if the registration deadline has past.

Center Fees - 246 chapters are paid. 3 chapters still have fees that are due.

GPR Dollars - \$13,766.00 for GPR dollars for this year.

Star Mission Dollars - \$1,750.00 Received in December

Data Flow has shown an increase in accounting fees. Cheryl has questioned them why our fee continues to rise. They will be checking in on this.

5. Old Business

- a. Succession Plan: Troy gave some input on the process of where we are in the process. Point was made to invite past board members and center chairs forming a committee. Discussion on who should make up this committee and how many. Board would like to incorporate some younger members to bring in some fresh perspectives.

Moved by Shari Graffunder and seconded by Jake Cramer to form a succession plan committee of five members that consist of the following: WAAE ED, FFA Center ED, one past center board member, one current center board member and one non-board member. Passed.

Discussion on how to select the non-board member. Each sectional board member will submit two names of people that fit the criteria if the section has any. These names of who would be willing to take on this role would be submitted to Nicole Nelson. Potential candidates should be emailed to Nicole by January 19<sup>th</sup>. Nicole will put the names into a Google form for the board to vote.

Jake Cramer will be the Center Board Representative on the committee. Troy Talford will be the past center board member and will chair the committee.

b. Center Board Survey:

Darren gave an update on the center board survey. The survey will be sent out to our FFA advisors from the FFA Center. A brief introduction about the center board and structure of the board at tomorrow morning's advisor meeting. A few questions were suggested to add to the survey, one was the experience range of the advisor, the second question to add was to ask how familiar are you with the FFA center board leadership. The last question added was, how familiar were you with the FFA center board prior to taking this survey.

The survey link will be live until Friday January 20<sup>th</sup>.

6. New Business:

- a. Kevin updated on Cheryl's evaluation. All is going well and there are no concerns.

7. Review Meeting Schedule: Next meeting June 26<sup>th</sup> 2018 Appleton.

Moved by Shari Graffunder and seconded by Jake Cramer to adjourn. Motion to adjourn passed.  
Meeting adjourned at 11:45am.