The meeting was called to order by Brenna Bays at 1:08 pm on Friday, January 13th.

**Attendance:**

Cheryl Zimmerman .................. Executive Director
Jeff Hicken .......................... State Advisor
Brenna Bays .......................... State President
Becky Grabarski ...................... Adams-Friendship Advisor
Travis Cadman ....................... State Sentinel
Ryan Holle ............................ East Troy Advisor
Sarah Van Asten ..................... State Vice President
Brian Pinchart ....................... Wrightstown Advisor
Dani Angotti .......................... State Vice President
Paul Larson .......................... Freedom Advisor
Kevin Champaeu ..................... Freedom Advisor
Ashley Zimmerman .................. State Vice President
Mark Zimmerman .................... Spencer Advisor
Hannah Taylor ...................... State Reporter
Kessa LaBlanc ....................... Poynette Advisor
Ciera Ballmer ........................ State Vice President
Marlina Jackson ................... Clinton Advisor
Kari Fischer ......................... State Parliamentarian
JoAnn Peterson ..................... Argyle Advisor
Laura Munger ...................... State Secretary
Roger King ......................... Holmen Advisor
Caleb Green ........................ State Vice President
Jordan Donabaur ................... Stanley-Boyd Advisor
Rylee Black ......................... State Treasurer
Derrick Meyer ...................... Amery Advisor

**Announcements**

**Sectional Leadership Development Events**

Opening and closing ceremonies contest for high school students. Motion passed. This also means there will no longer be the contest for 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students, seconded by Caleb. Aligned with the national leadership development event.

**Changes to the Conduct of Meetings**

Leadership development event. Ashley moved to potential changes will be given at the advisor workshop during halftime conference.

**Changes to the Parliamentary Procedure**

Correlate with the national competition. Final proposal addressed in March. Changes potential changes to the state officer election process. Including test, interviews, opportunities for state officers.

**Contract Process**

Held before any action is taken. Decision to revoke charters has been postponed. The current membership total is 16,110 members.

**Membership**

A donation. Information is needed from the state officers for participation.

Mr. Hicken spoke on behalf of the Easter Seals Project. Can be used as a fundraiser or entertainment the state officers contacted. Our budget is $5,000.

**State Officer Committee Report**

The next biennial budget for the 2017-19 school year. Mr. Hicken gave an update on the events at the DPI. The State of WI will be discussing for everything that you do!

**DPI Update**

Foundation annual reports were distributed at the halftime conference. Thank you.

**State Officer Report**

The board reviewed the activities above the chapter level accepted for state degrees.

**SAE Committee Recommendation**

Their speech to a high school audience. Continue to research workshop information from speakers, and how they can alter their presentation.

The following are the top three choices for speakers:

- Derrick Meyer ………………………….. Amery Advisor
- Rylee Black …………………………….. State Treasurer
- Jordan Donabaur ……………………. Stanley Advisor
- Caleb Green …………………………… State Vice President
- Roger King ……………………………… Holmen Advisor
- Laura Munger ………………………… State Secretary
- Ryan Holle ……………………………… East Troy Advisor
- Kevin Champaeu ……………………. Freedom Advisor
- Paul Larson …………………………….. Freedom Advisor
- Dani Angotti …………………………… State Vice President
- Ciera Ballmer …………………………. State Vice President
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- Laura Munger ...................... State Secretary
- Roger King ......................... Holmen Advisor
- Caleb Green ........................ State Vice President
- Jordan Donabaur ................... Stanley-Boyd Advisor
- Rylee Black ......................... State Treasurer
- Derrick Meyer ...................... Amery Advisor
Mrs. Zimmerman gave a welcome to everyone and reviewed the meeting agenda.

Reports:

State officer Report-Brenna
Brenna gave a report for the state officers on the very busy past six months. This included FIRE Conference, Sectional Leadership Workshops, and Chapter Visits. The state officers have set a 22,000 membership goal. Brenna also touched on the upcoming state officer events. Sarah spoke on behalf of the membership and recruitment committee and brought forth the idea of a "New Advisor FFA Kit." Laura and Sarah were assigned to write a Star Mission Grant to present to the Board.

Wisconsin FFA Center Report-Mrs. Zimmerman
Mrs. Zimmerman gave an update on the events of the FFA Center. The FFA and FFA Foundation Annual Reports were distributed at the Halftime Conference. Thank you for everything that you do!

DPI Update -Mr. Hicken
Mr. Hicken gave an update on the events at the DPI. The State of WI will be discussing the next biennial budget for the 2017-19 years. Two positions are now open at DPI.

State Officer Committee Report
Brenna presented the information on the State Convention speakers and entertainment the state officers contacted. Our budget is $5,000. The following are the top three choices for speakers:

- Amberley Snyder ($3,000 + Travel)
- Tasha Schuh ($3,000)
- Aaron Thomas ($3,250 + Travel)
Continue to research workshop information from speakers, and how they can alter their speech to a high school audience.

- For entertainment: Continue to research new options. Possible cover bands, escape rooms, etc.

Old Business:

SAE Committee Recommendation
Caleb moved to approve the SAE committee proposal, seconded by Sarah. Motion passed.
State FFA Degree Requirements
The Board reviewed the activities above the chapter level accepted for State Degrees. It was discussed to amend 15.f to add "State or National FFA Grant or Scholarship Applicant" to be reworded by Mrs. Zimmerman to add specifics and clarification.

Caleb moved this motion to the SAE committee, seconded by Laura. Referral passed.

Easter Seals Project
Mr. Hicken spoke on behalf of the Easter Seals Project. Can be used as a fundraiser or a donation. Information is needed from the state officers for participation.

New Business:

Membership
All rosters have been submitted. Not all chapter payments are in. Payments must be submitted to avoid probation. The current membership total is 16,110 members.

Probation and prohibited chapters. Letter will be sent out, and a conversation will be held before any action is taken. Decision to revoke charters has been postponed. There is a possibility for a new parochial school FFA chapter.

State Officer Election Process
Looking for evaluation of the state officer election process. Including test, interviews, and delegate round. Also looking for new financial support and internship opportunities for state officers.

Contest Updates
Potential changes to the Parliamentary Procedure Leadership Development Event to correlate with the national competition. Final proposal addressed in March. Changes would potentially happen during the 2017-2018 school year. A presentation about the potential changes will be given at the advisor workshop during Halftime Conference.

Changes to the Conduct of Meetings Leadership Development Event. Ashley moved to accept the Conduct of Meeting to replace the opening and closing ceremonies contest for 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students, seconded by Caleb. Aligned with the national competition for students. Motion passed. This also means there will no longer be the opening and closing ceremonies contest for high school students.
Sectional Leadership Development Events
Please note the changes in the rule book and rubrics.

- Minimal changes to Creed.
- Prepared rubric have changed. Bond paper has been eliminated.
- Extemporaneous topic areas has changed. There are now eighteen topics in six different categories. National competition is allowing ten minutes of internet research.
- Parliamentary Procedure, Discussion Meet and Quiz Bowl have not changed.
- Job Interview is now Employment Skills. State competition rules and rubrics have changed but not everything matched the changes to the national competition. It is too difficult to conduct all portion of the event currently at the district and sectional level.

Announcements

- Next Board of Directors meeting is on February 16-17 at Wisconsin Rapids
- Thursday evening:
  - 5:00 pm - Dinner
  - 6:30 pm - FFA Board Meeting
  - 9:30 pm - State Degree Orientation
- Friday morning:
  - 8:00 am Review state degrees
- Review Halftime Conference

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm by Brenna Bays.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Munger
State FFA Secretary
Wisconsin Association of FFA
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- 6:00 pm Voter registration
- 8:00 pm FFA Board Meeting
- 9:30 pm Holiday Inn, Stevens Point, Wisconsin

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Wisconsin FFA Center Report
Mrs. Zimmerman gave an update on the events of the FFA Center. The FFA and FFA Wisconsin have changed but not everything matched the changes to the national competition. Job Interview is now Employment Skills. State competition rules and rubrics for Parliamentary Procedure, Discussion Meet and Quiz Bowl have not changed.

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State FFA Degree Requirements
State FFA Degree Requirements passed.

Caleb moved to approve the SAE committee proposal, seconded by Sarah. Motion to table referred to the SAE committee.

Applicant to be reworded by Mrs. Zimmerman to add specifics and clarification.

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New Business:
- A donation. Information is needed from the state officers for participation.
- Mr. Hicken spoke on behalf of the Easter Seals Project. Can be used as a fundraiser or Easter Seals Project.
- Caleb moved this motion to the SAE committee, seconded by Laura. Referral passed.
- Applicant” to be reworded by Mrs. Zimmerman to add specifics and clarification.

State Officer Committee Report
The following are the top three choices for speakers:
- Entertainment the state officers contacted. Our budget is $5,000.
- State Officer Committee Report
- The next biennial budget for the 2017-2018 school year.

District and Sectional Level
- The differences in the district and sectional level.
- Have changed but not everything matched the changes to the national competition.
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- Extemporaneous topic areas have changed. There are now eighteen topics in six different categories. National competition is allowing ten minutes of internet research.
- Prepared rubric have changed. Bond paper has been eliminated.
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