



# National FFA Organization

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## **New Jersey FFA Association**

**"Fuel Your Fire"**

**TO:** State Executive Board Members, NJ FFA Chapter Advisors, Officers and Members

**FROM:** Kyle Clement, State FFA President  
Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist  
Nancy J. Trivette, State FFA Advisor

**DATE:** April 25, 2014

**RE:** State FFA Executive Board Meeting  
**Thursday, May 1, 2014 – 4:00 p.m.**  
1st Floor NJDA Board Room, Trenton, NJ

All State Executive Board Members must attend this meeting. If these individuals cannot attend, they should call Mrs. Noble at (609) 984-4380, and give the reason to receive an excused absence. Mrs. Lisa Ann Moschera-Chernigovets will fill the teacher representative on the Executive Board, and will have voting power at each meeting in 2013-2014.

### **AGENDA FOR THE MAY STATE MEETING**

- I. Opening Ceremonies**
- II. Minutes from the April State Meeting**
- III. Treasurer's Report**
- IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**
- V. Committee Assignments**
  - A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities – Kyle Clement
  - B. Membership & Chapter Relations – Catherine Cincotta
  - C. State Leadership Activities – Delaney Gray
  - D. State Applications – Kristianne Dowd
  - E. Career Development Evaluation and Review – Stuart Faunce
  - F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review – Kelly Gangel
  - G. State Convention Evaluation – David Watts

The FFA Mission

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.*

- VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report – Stuart Faunce**
- VII. Executive Committee Report – Ernest Arians**
- VIII. Foundation Report – Kristianne Dowd**
- IX. Alumni Report – Delaney Gray**
- X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report – Kyle Clement**
- XI. Unfinished Business**
  - A. Nominating Committee – Ernest Arians
  - B. State Convention Planning
    - a. Timeline – Kristianne Dowd
    - b. Video Shoot – Catherine Cincotta
    - c. Statewide Community Service Project – Delaney Gray
    - d. Potential SOCs – Stuart Faunce
  - C. Ceremony Practice Schedule – Kristianne Dowd
  - D. Retiring Address Workshop (April 9, 2014) – Ernest Arians
  - E. Spring CDEs (April 10, 2014) – Stuart Faunce
  - F. Livestock Judging CDE (April 12, 2014) – Delaney Gray
  - G. State Applications (April 17, 2014) – Kristianne Dowd
  - H. Agriscience Fair (April 23, 2014) – David Watts
  - I. Eastern PA FFA Day (May 1, 2014) – Kelly Gangel
  - J. Dairy Judging CDE (May 3, 2014) – Delaney Gray
  - K. Safe Tractor Operations Event (July 15, 2014) – David Watts
  - L. Team Goal Action Plan – Kristianne Dowd
- XII. New Business**
  - A. H.O Sampson Chapter Recognition – Catherine Cincotta
  - B. Honorary American Degree Nominations – Dave Watts
  - C. Summer CDEs – Kelly Gangel
  - D. Chapter Banquets – Stuart Faunce
  - E. Agriculture/ Education Issues Discussion – Catherine Cincotta
  - F. Member of the Month – Ernest Arians
  - G. State Officer Mileage
- XIII. Closing Ceremonies**

*Next State Meeting- June 2, 2014  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Board Room  
4:00 p.m.*

**New Jersey FFA Association  
Minutes of the April 7, 2014 Meeting**

**I. Opening Ceremonies**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm. Voting members in attendance were Delaney Gray, Kelly Gangel, Kristianne Dowd, Catherine Cincotta, Dave Watts, Stuart Faunce, Ernie Arians and Anne Poinsett (via conference call). State Staff members in attendance were Mrs. Noble and Mrs. Butch. Guests in attendance were Hannah Mann from the Salem County Vo-Tech FFA Chapter and Jenna Pinhas of Allentown FFA.

**II. Minutes from the March State Meeting**

**Motion by Kelly Gangel** to accept the secretary's report as read.

**Seconded by Delaney Gray. Motion passes.**

**III. Treasurer's Report**

**Motion by Kristianne Dowd** to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

**Motion passes pending audit.**

**IV. Guest Introductions and Attendance**

Hannah Mann from the Salem County Vo-Tech FFA Chapter discussed her job at Buzzbees, and Jenna Pinhas from Allentown FFA talked about upcoming events in her chapter.

*Delaney Gray assumes the duties of the chair.*

**V. Committee Assignments**

**A. Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities**

No report.

**B. Membership & Chapter Relations**

There is an updated membership and chapter relations form provided in our folders. The next meeting will be held April 14, 2014 via Google Hangout.

**C. State Leadership Activities**

No report.

**D. State Applications**

No report.

**E. Career Development Evaluation and Review**

No report.

**F. Horticultural Exposition Evaluation and Review**

No report.

**G. State Convention Evaluation**

No report.

*Kyle Clement reassumes the duties of the chair.*

**VI. Parliamentary Procedure Report**

Objection to Consideration of the Question: It requires a two-thirds vote and is not debatable. This objection may only be applied to an original main motion, and must be done before debate has begun.

**VII. Executive Committee Report**

The mirror effect: what we do reflects what will happen in our leadership. Our actions reflect what will happen in our organization. When we are approached about things that we felt we weren't doing right, it is uncomfortable. It is important to do the right things so that we feel more comfortable as a good leader, and it reflects well on the organization and our leadership skills.

**VIII. Foundation Report**

The next meeting will be held April 8, 2014 at the Department of Agriculture.

**IX. Alumni Report**

The next Alumni meeting will take place at the Department of Agriculture immediately following the State Officer Retiring Address Workshop, which starts at 5:00 pm.

**X. Agricultural Education Advisory Council Report**

The next meeting will be held at the 85<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention.

**XI. Unfinished Business**

**A. Horticultural Exposition/Floral Design CDE**

The Floral Design CDE results and comments are provided in our folders. Congratulations to the Allentown FFA chapter for placing first and to all of those who participated in the event!

**B. Online Career Development Events**

Results for FBM, Forestry, and Meat Evaluation are provided in our folders. Congratulations the Newton FFA Chapter (1<sup>st</sup> Forestry & 1<sup>st</sup> Meats), the Allentown FFA Chapter (1<sup>st</sup> FBM) and to all those who participated in the Online CDEs!

**C. National Ag Day Event**

The National Ag Day Event took place March 23-25, 2014. Stuart Faunce and Catherine Cincotta attended the conference. The two officers were trained on media outreach, and were given the chance to meet with government representatives to discuss agricultural education and issues. The rest of the team attended the Norman Borlaug Symposium on March 25, and met with government representatives.

**D. Visit with Zoetis**

On March 28, visited Zoetis with the state officers from the New York and Pennsylvania FFA Associations. Zoetis is an animal health company and platinum National FFA Sponsor. The employees of Zoetis were very welcoming and taught the officers about what their company does and how they support the FFA.

**E. NJ Agricultural Society Gala**

Delaney Gray and Dave Watts attended the Ag Society Gala on Friday, March 28. The officers met FFA supporters and helped out at the event.

**F. Retiring Address Workshop**

The state officer retiring address workshop will be held at the Department of Agriculture at 5:00 pm on April 9. The officers will present their retiring addresses, and will receive feedback from the alumni.

**G. Spring CDEs**

Spring CDEs will be held on April 10 at Rutgers SEBS campus. An informational email regarding the event will be sent out shortly.

**H. Livestock Judging CDE**

The Livestock Judging CDE will be held on April 12 at Delaware Valley College. Mrs. Noble, Kyle Clement, and Delaney Gray will be attending.

**I. State Applications**

Kristianne Dowd, Delaney Gray, and Ernie Arians will be judging the state applications on behalf of the executive board on April 17.

**J. Agriscience Fair**

The Agriscience Fair will be held on April 23 at the Rutgers Eco Complex. Kyle Clement, Dave Watts, Delaney Gray, and Ernie Arians will be attending.

**K. Eastern PA FFA Day**

The Eastern PA FFA Day will be held on May 1, 2014 in Manheim, PA. Delaney Gray, Kelly Gangel, and Anne Poinsett will be in attendance.

**L. Dairy Judging CDE**

The Dairy Judging CDE will be held on May 3 in Old Wick, NJ. Delaney Gray, Kelly Gangel, and Kristianne Dowd will be in attendance.

**M. State Convention Planning**

**a. Timeline**

The Convention Committee Agenda, Parent Video Pictures, and Retiring Address Rough Drafts should be submitted.

**b. Video Shoot**

The filming for the video shoot will take place on Sunday, April 13. These videos will be used for the 85<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention session opening videos.

**c. Statewide Community Project**

The official flyer is provided in our folders. We will be working with the Habitat for Humanity Program, where chapters will sell paper "bricks" to raise money for the organization and build safe homes for those who are in need. Pictures of the chapter's paper structures should be built and pictures should be sent in by May 16.

**d. Potential SOC/Nom Com**

The state officers are encouraged to continue motivating those who are interested in running for state office. State officer applications are due May 1.

**N. Delegate Issues for State Convention**

Items that will be discussed at the State FFA Convention will be any amendments to our State and National Constitution. The state officers will be running committee meetings for the delegates at convention.

**O. Ceremony Practice Schedule**

All ceremonies should be memorized by now. The state officers are encouraged to start memorizing reflections for convention.

**P. Safe Tractor Operations Event (July 15, 2014)**

The Safe Tractor Operations Event will be held on July 15 at the Burlington County Fairgrounds.

**Q. Team Goal Action Plan**

All of the team goals have been accomplished. State officers are encouraged to continue the social media plan for members.

**XII. New Business**

**A. Nominating Committee Candidates**

Nominating Committee will be selected by Kyle and Ernie following this meeting.

**B. Agriculture/Education Issues Discussion**

Stuart provided an agriculture update. He indicated world food prices are increasing.

**C. Member of the Month**

**Motion by Ernie Arians** to make George Stillwell the April Member of the Month.

**Seconded by Catherine Cincotta. Motion passes.**

Congratulations, George!

**D. State Officer Mileage**

The state officer mileage report is provided in our folders.

**XIII. Closing Ceremonies**

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

New Jersey FFA Treasurer's Report  
March 2014

BEGINNING BALANCE: March 1, 2014

\$37,532.98

<b>Deposits:</b>					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project#</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 47,000.00		\$ 44,755.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,050.00		\$ 1,471.00
	3	General Supplies	\$ 5,387.30		\$ 331.55
	4	State Officers	\$ 1,015.00		\$ 117.00
	5	LEAD	\$ 18,170.00		\$ 18,396.20
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 59,350.00		\$ 15,411.70
	7	National Convention	\$ 2,825.00		\$ 4,683.40
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 5,675.00		\$ 80.00
	9	National Leadership Conf.			
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 6,250.00		\$ 4,095.89
		Total Deposits	\$ 144,335.00	\$ -	\$ 89,341.74
 <b>Expenses:</b>					
<i>Date</i>	<i>Project #</i>	<i>Expense Description</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Expense</i>	<i>YTD Balance</i>
	1	Affiliation	\$ 14,400.00		\$ 13,310.00
	2	CDE's	\$ 4,854.20		\$ 2,455.00
	3	General Supplies	\$ 5,267.30		\$ 3,900.80
	4	State Officers	\$ 9,694.50	\$ 420.00	\$ 4,423.17
	5	LEAD	\$ 21,353.00		\$ 25,877.42
	6	State Convention - Regis.	\$ 64,494.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 56,080.90
	7	National Convention	\$ 6,856.00		\$ 6,027.11
	8	Hort Expo	\$ 7,710.00	\$ 4,322.81	\$ 5,488.31
	9	National Leadership Conf.	\$ 2,125.00		\$ 2,125.00
	10	State Leadership Event	\$ 7,581.00		
		Total Expenses	\$ 144,335.00	\$ 5,067.81	\$ 119,687.71

Ending Balance: March 31, 2014

\$32,465.17

New Jersey FFA Expenditures for FY 2014				
Date	Descriptive Class/Memberships	Order #/s	Amount	Total
11/20/13	National FFA - Affiliation Fee	MEM 144063	\$ 13,310.00	
				\$ 13,310.00
	Contests			
10/18/13	BRGE - COE's 7 teams		\$ 75.00	
10/18/13	Rutgers-University Inn & Conference Ctr.	PO7875063	\$ 1,600.00	
11/14/13	Ewell Educational Service- Scranton Cards		\$ 370.00	
01/28/14	Rutgers Gardens - Dappal		\$ 300.00	
02/07/14	Rutgers-MPR's 11/14/13		\$ 115.00	\$ 2,465.00
	General Supplies			
08/05/13	Selective Insurance		\$ 625.00	
11/20/13	National FFA - Humedon Polytech Gavel	OE-694632	\$ 24.50	
11/25/13	Vista Print Hobby Cards		\$ 130.04	
12/12/13	First Coast Promo- Mugs		\$ 653.30	
12/12/13	National FFA- Manuals		\$ 890.00	
01/18/14	Vista Print Wall Calendars		\$ 1,477.76	
	State Officers			\$ 3,900.80
09/18/13	AAA Membership	Pcard	\$ 456.00	
09/19/13	Lands End - True Blue Polo's for SO	Pcard	\$ 150.55	
11/20/13	National FFA - SPC parking costs	SPC-870	\$ 253.70	
11/20/13	National FFA SO's jackets	OE679830	\$ 464.00	
12/05/13	K. Clement mileage		\$ 897.70	
12/05/13	D. Gray mileage		\$ 180.87	
12/05/13	K Gangel mileage		\$ 90.76	
12/05/13	K.Dowd mileage		\$ 102.76	
12/05/13	C. Cicotta mileage		\$ 198.30	
12/05/13	D. Watts mileage		\$ 451.70	
12/05/13	B. Faunce mileage		\$ 244.23	
12/05/13	E. Ariens mileage		\$ 140.07	
12/05/13	L. Filibrown mileage		\$ 265.42	
01/25/14	Peter's Pizza & Deli-SOCS		\$ 119.11	
03/13/14	Veg Grower Assoc of NJ-SO Delegate Dinner		\$ 420.00	
				\$ 4,000.17
	Leadership Experience and Development			
09/16/13	Partycrashers - DJ		\$ 250.00	
10/18/13	E Ariens - Dairy & Veggie Products	U15859	\$ 79.53	
10/24/13	Jamestown Hospitality-Crowne Plaza	PO7876645	\$ 23,857.75	
11/20/13	First Coast Promo - t-shirts	PO7889823	\$ 1,558.14	
11/20/13	National FFA-Awards	OE-681259	\$ 132.00	
				\$ 25,877.42
	State Convention			
10/08/13	Rutgers University 2013 State Convention	U1 5827	\$ 55,765.90	
03/05/14	Partycrashers - DJ		\$ 328.00	
				\$ 56,093.90
	National Convention			
10/10/13	Clibank - SO's airfare to Louisville, KY	U15895	\$ 1,736.80	
11/20/13	National FFA - SO's registration	DNV-REG 4011	\$ 315.00	
12/18/13	Crowne Plaza- SO's hotel		\$ 1,953.98	
01/18/13	Service America-Centocplate, NJ Bkfst	PO7811241	\$ 1,929.95	
01/27/14	Merkey's Audio Visual - Podium & Mic		\$ 92.90	
				\$ 6,027.11
	Hort Expo			
02/25/14	National FFA - Hort Plaques	OE715762	\$ 1,165.50	
03/03/14	Staats - Ribbons		\$ 200.08	
03/20/14	Preferred Party Rentals - tables		\$ 2,825.00	
03/20/14	Zeger & Sons Flowers, supplies Leadership Event		\$ 1,296.83	\$ 5,486.31
	National Leadership Conference			
11/20/13	Maryland FFA Association		\$ 2,125.00	
				\$ 2,125.00
	Grand Total		\$ 119,687.71	\$ 119,267.71