

Maryland FFA Board of Directors  
October 18, 2018 5:30 p.m.  
Frederick Farmers Cooperative,  
820 E. South Street, Frederick, MD 21701  
(301) 663-3113, (800) 255-0023 ext 225  
Conference Call Number: 443-339-3131

Tom Mazzone, Quinn Cashell-Martin, Chuck Schuster, Richard O'Hara, Amy Jo Poffenberger, Karen Crum Nicholas, George Mayo, Emily Hester, Laura Ramsburg, Brenda White, Lori Mayhew, Sydnie Grossnickle, Sabrina Mann, Terrie Shank. On phone: Jodi Callahan and Naomi Knight.

Call to Order-Chairman, Chuck Schuster at 5:35 pm

Richard O'Hara gave greetings and an overview of Frederick Cooperative. Started in 1923 with a limestone quarry, Fuel for Exxon, grain in the 1980, mill in 1990, warehouse in 2000's. 2 shifts in the Mill. Manufacturing 120 Tons/day.

Approval of the Minutes from the July 9, 2018 meeting Add Karen on conference call. Moved by Emily, Karen seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report-Laura Ramsburg Karen moved to accept the report, Richard 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passes.  
Financial update- Outstanding Invoices: Naomi Knight

State Officer Report- Sydnie Grossnickle, President and Sabrina Mann, Reporter- Officer training and Chapter training, just finished with COLT, 8<sup>th</sup> grade program at Clear Spring. Did a good job at the MSF, County Fairs,, Big E. accepted at ILSO. Frederick Co. Greenhand, PA All-American. Bake sale at Tractor Supply. Chuck thanked officers for their support.

#### Committee Reports:

Committee to Review Changes to State CDE Schedule-Sydnie Grossnickle & Sabrina Mann  
Spirit of State Convention-George asked if there needs to be a requirement for students to stay at the convention.

Naomi- Floriculture 13 teams, 3 single day Vet Sci 20 teams 2 single day.  
Sabrina- changes focus of students to the leadership

Emily moved to accept the Committee proposal for the CDE arrangement. Lori Seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Report on Regional Coordinator meeting/updates held October 12<sup>th</sup>-Chuck held a meeting on Friday at River Valley Ranch. Winning a regional event, student moves on. The student knew that they couldn't attend the event, so a Tractor operators registration form was developed. Need to remind Advisors that when they make a commitment to participate, they will be held responsible for the costs incurred. Registration form for Tractor and Public Speaking to be signed by Advisor.

#### Unfinished Business:

4-H/FFA MOU-George Mayo-Presented a revised MOU and Statement of Relations with Maryland 4-H. Amy Jo asked who will enforce these guidelines? Chuck suggested having a grievance committee or oversight committee to assist with oversight.

Karen suggested that the teachers under FFA and the Extension Educators Under State Leaders be aware of the agreement and how to work with everyone.

Emily amended the Moved to present the revised documentation to the MD 4-H leadership following a legal review of the documents. Lori seconded the motion.

Chuck asked if anyone (Lawyer) has reviewed the document? George will send to lawyer for review  
Motion passed.

MOU between Maryland Farm Bureau and Maryland FFA Association-Brenda moved to approve, Emily seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Review of COLT Conference held October 12-14 @ River Valley Ranch-Naomi, Terrie, Officers  
Lori moved to hold the COLT Conference at RVR for the upcoming year. Emily seconded the motion.  
The motion passed. Recommended dates: 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in October 4-6, 2019, September 27-28<sup>th</sup>.

Update on National Convention Participation-October 23-27 @ Indianapolis, Indiana-Naomi, Terrie, Officers

Update on ILSSO experience for State Officers-Sydney & Sabrina shared.

#### New Business:

Deadlines for FFA Events and Applications- A review of the upcoming deadlines was shared.

Need for CDE Superintendents- Horticulture, Nursery/Landscape recommended Jenny Rosencrantz

Technology for State Officers- Chuck request laptops from AGNR WIFI available at local extension office.

#### Other items:

Westminster High School-Alumni chartering-Oct 30<sup>th</sup>

New Chapter Chartering at Howard Co, Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Gift of Blue program at Damascus

Board election of new member Robert Dinsmore from Ceresville Ag.

#### Upcoming Meetings:

Location, date and time for Board of Directors Meetings:

Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 6 p.m.- Annual Meeting, tentatively to be held at Baugher's Restaurant

Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.- MAFC-Frederick

Emily moved to adjourn at 7:25 pm, Richard 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Terrie Shank*

Terrie Shank, Secretary