

**The Ohio FFA Association
Board of Trustees' Meeting
March 12, 2003**

Isaac Kershaw called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at the AmeriSuites Hotel, Dublin, Ohio.

Board members present included: Isaac Kershaw, agricultural education service; Steve Gratz, state FFA executive secretary; Marlene von Stein, state FFA president; Lindsey Calhoun, state FFA vice president; Bethany Frew, state FFA secretary; Cris Sprague, state FFA treasurer; Karen Blankenship, state FFA reporter, Jill Tyson, state FFA sentinel; Kip Hamilton, OAAE representative; Dena Wuebker, OAAE representative; Dwayne Siekman, sponsors' board representative; and Kevin Kremer, OAAE representative.

Discussion of Minutes – November 14, 2002

Dena Wuebker moved and Kip Hamilton seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the October 23, 2002, meeting. The motion passed.

Ohio FFA Association Updates

President von Stein gave an update on the State Officer Team and activities.

Mr. Gratz provide the Board with an update on the following Ohio FFA Association projects:

75th Anniversary Celebration update

Record book scoring

State Evaluation

Secretary and Treasurer books

FFA Awards for FY05

State Convention Update

Business Meeting

Dena Wuebker moved to accept the attached list of individuals to receive the Honorary State FFA Degree. Second by Kevin Kremer. Motion passed.

Kip Hamilton moved to approve the following appealed State FFA Degree application. Dena Wuebker second. Motion passed.

Dena Wuebker moved to accept the attached list of individuals to receive the State FFA Degree, including those that were accepted through the appeal process. Marlene von Stein seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Kremer moved to accept the attached of individuals to receive the American FFA Degree. Dena Wuebker seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dena Wuebker moved to form a taskforce to develop a Public Relations award for FFA chapters. Kip Hamilton seconded. Motion passed.

President von Stein moved to elect district presidents at the Spring District meetings effective 2004. Dena Wuebker seconded. Motion passed.

Dena Wuebker moved to request \$25,000 from the Ohio FFA Foundation to assist the Ohio FFA Association in celebrating its 75th Anniversary. Dwayne Siekman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

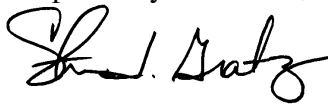
Mr. Gratz reviewed the National Chapter Award rankings that were determined using standardized score to eliminate scoring bias.

Dena Wuebker moved to develop a task force for the National FFA Chapter Award Application scoring review process. Kevin Kremer seconded the motion. The motion failed with two in favor and eight being opposed.

OAAE (Kip Hamilton) and the Sponsors' Team (Dwayne Siekman) provide announcements and updates from their respective organizations.

Dena Wuebker moved to adjourn until our next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 22 at the Dublin AmeriSuites Hotel; beginning at 1:00 p.m. Cris Sprague seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven J. Gratz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Steven J. Gratz
Executive Secretary
Ohio FFA Association