



CO Young Farmers Educational Association
CYFEA Board of Directors Meeting
6:00pm May 10, 2018
Aims Community College, Fort Lupton

MINUTES

In Attendance: Dave Lieber, Mark Sponsler, Jacqui Larson, Julie McCaleb, and Sharon Pattee.

Absent: Darrell Johnston, Dale McCall, Brad Riemenschneider, Kelly Huenink, Danica Farnik, Kellie Enns, and Mike Womochil.

Call to Order: The May 2018 CYFEA Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:18pm by CYFEA Chairman Dave Lieber. It was noted that due to attendance, a quorum was not established.

Approval of the April 2018 Minutes: Due to the lack of a quorum, approval of the April 2018 Board of Director's meeting minutes would be moved to the June 2018 BOD meeting.

CYFEF Report: Brad Riemenschneider, CYFEA Foundation Representative, was not present to provide an update for the CYFE Foundation.

CYFEA Executive Team Report: Executive Team Chairperson, Jacqui Larson, reported that in April, certain members of the E-Team along with Sharon Pattee, reviewed the applications for the 2018 – 2019 CYFEA Academic Scholarships and the winning applicants were chosen. The winners are as follows: McCall Etl (Senior) Fleming CO; Stephanie Bushnell (Junior) Monte Vista CO; Augustus Gill (Sophomore) Merino CO; and Cooper Carlson (Freshman), Atwood CO. Jacqui hoped that at least one or two members of the CYFEA Executive Team would be available to attend the CO FFA Convention next month, to award these scholarships.

Jacqui then related that there was not an upcoming E-Team meeting scheduled yet, but that she would be sending out a Doodle Poll in order to get a teleconference scheduled. She said that she would also be asking the team members who might be able to attend the FFA Convention, on Wednesday June 6th, in Pueblo. As soon as that was determined, she would let Sharon know for planning purposes.

Executive Director's Report: Sharon Pattee presented April 30, 2018 CYFEA financial statements to the Board. These financial statements could not be accepted, but the group briefly reviewed them anyway. Sharon stated that she would move the approval of the April 2018 CYFEA financial statements to the June 2018 Board meeting's agenda.

Sharon presented the revised 2018 – 2019 CYFEA Budget, but a teleconference of the CYFEA Finance Committee had not taken place, so approval of the budget will be addressed at the June 2018 BOD meeting. Review of the budget with the Finance Committee will be via a conference call within the next few weeks.

The May 2018 CYFEA newsletter is at Westprint for layout and the draft should be ready for approval within the next week or so. After the layout is finalized, Sharon will work with Mark Sponsler and CO Corn, for the printed copies that will be sent out to the membership and supporting sponsors. She stated that within this issue is an advertiser "menu" with pricing for advertisements in future CYFEA newsletter issues.

Sharon then said that she had been in contact with Kenton Ochsner and Don Thorn about how CYFEA can be involved in the upcoming CO FFA Convention, June 5 – 7, in Pueblo. She stated that the CYFEA Academic Scholarship awards will be presented on Wednesday, June 6th, at 9:00am. She also reported that the CYFEA will be sponsoring a meal or break food for the Ag Teacher’s Lounge, but she was waiting to hear back from Don Thorn as to what specifically that might be and the dollar amount involved. She stated that she volunteered to be a judge for the speech and ag science competitions.

Sharon reported that she had helped the FFA Sales/Marketing Career event held at CSU on April 30, in Fort Collins. The top two teams were from Limon and Bennett, Colorado. FFA would be following up with the competition results within a week or so.

In February, Sharon had been directed to draft an MOU agreement which would outline certain details between the CYFEA and the hosting Chapter of the annual State Institute. Sharon said that this needed to be executed soon and stated that she would bring a draft of the MOU to the next meeting. The Board needed to review and approve it for 2019, before it is sent to the Southwest Chapter for their signature.

CYFEA Chairman’s Report: CYFEA Board Chairman, Dave Lieber brought up the subject of the CYFEA Director Errors and Omissions Insurance policy that had been being discussed by the Board recently. Dave had gained information on this and wanted to discuss it further on what this provides the Board of Directors. Since there wasn’t a quorum this subject will also be tabled for discussion during the June 2018 Board meeting.

Since Darrell Johnston wasn’t in attendance there wasn’t an update on the possible Tractor Auction, to be held during the summer sometime, which was discussed by the Board in March. Johnston will hopefully have a report on progress in this regard at the next BOD meeting in June.

Dave stated that he wanted to continue moving forward with a Strategic Plan for the CYFEA and emphasized the need of input by all of the current active CYFEA Board and CYFE Foundation Board members along with the CYFEA Executive Team. This might entail a separate meeting between the three groups.

CYFEA Action Items: None.

Adjournment: The next meeting of the CYFEA will be planned for June 14, 2018, at 6:00pm, to be held at Aims Community College in Fort Lupton. The May 2018 CYFEA Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie McCaleb, CYFEA Secretary and

Sharon Pattee, CYFEA Executive Director