CONNECTICUT FFA ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 16, 2006

5 – 7:30 p.m.

Rockville VOAG Center, Vernon

If you are unable to attend meeting please email Mr. Natusch at [illegible] with reason to determine excused or unexcused absence.

	ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
	Call to Order – President, Johanna Wertz	
	Additions to Agenda	Finalize Agenda
	Audience of Citizens	Receive Public Comment
	Minutes of Previous Meeting – Sarah Davis	Take Action
	Treasurer's Report – Lindsay Capowich	Approve pending audit
	Correspondence (if any)	
	Committee Reports (standing and special) a. State FFA Degree b. Constitutional Review Update c. State FFA Convention Update d. Program of Activities Report	Approve reports as appropriate
	Executive Secretary Report • Officer Retreat • District I Chair Update • National FFA Officer Candidate update • Convention schedule for official delegates and assigned duties • Upcoming activities	Share information
	Old Business	Share Information
	New Business Holiday Party in December	Take Action
	Officer Reports (written text provided to Recording Secretary and/or WORD document emailed for record)	Share Information
7:30 p.m.	Adjournment	Take Action

Next meeting date:

FFA Executive Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2006

Southington High School

Call to order- The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Johanna Wertz. Those in attendance were Johanna Wertz, Elyse Brodeur, Lindsay Capowich, Michael Masulli, Sarah Davis, Rochelle Sprouse, Ryan McCarthy, Mr. Keefe, Mrs. Keefe, Mrs. Digioia, and Mr. Natusch.

Previous Minutes- The minutes were read by Sarah and passed with the corrections of spelling to Rochelle Sprouse and Michael Masulli names.

Treasurers Report- The Treasurers Report was read by Lindsay and Ryan made a motion to accept the report as read subject to audit. Elyse seconded it and the motion passed.

Correspondence Received- It was brought to attention that Amy Czaja sent an email thanking us for our support in her training as a National Delegate. She also informed us that the workshop went very well and she learned many new things to make her a stronger candidate.

Committee Reports- There were non committee reports

Officer Reports- Presented by Elyse, Johanna, Lindsay and Mike

Disrict Reports were presented by Ryan and Rochelle

State FFA Coordinators Updates

1. National FFA Candidate Amy Czaja is all set in her travel plans

2. National FFA Convention Official Delegates Johanna, Elyse, Sarah and Lindsay have already received their flight itinerary and will soon be receiving their hotel information. They will also be receiving additional information via email. Also, the Delegates requested letters to explain their absence from school and work and were informed to contact Mr. Natusch via email.

3. FFA Membership 2006-2007 will now be tracked using an excel program that teachers will be able to access at any time to update chapter membership. The program will be piloted in a few chapters first then if successful all chapters will be able to use it.

4. Reimbursement Forms were discussed and the officers were shown the correct way to fill out the forms and then they were submitted to Mr. Natusch. They will now be filled out monthly and submitted at each meeting or mailed to:

Lindsay Capowich

328 South Buckley

Storrs CT 06269

The newer easy to use reimbursement form will also be put online so that all the officers can access it.

5. District 1 Chair has three applications that will voted on by District 1 then we will be informed of the results

6. Program of Work will be closely maintained and reviewed by Elsye and it is her duty to inform officers if they are responsible for a certain event

7. Calendar of Events is available online for viewing

Old Business

None

New Business

1. A committee was formed to review the State FFA Degree application and to consider recommendations from the State FFA Degree Committee at Convention. Sarah Davis will chair this committee and Ryan will be a member.

2. Elyse has been appointed to go to the host school for State Convention, Suffield, to investigate the facilities and report back at the next executive meeting if possible. She will also be working closely with Tyler and Mrs. Digioa

3. A committee has formed to review the State Constitution for grammar and parliamentary errors and correct any that are found. Ryan will chair this committee and will work closely with Rochelle and Lindsay.

4. A goal has been set for officers to turn in journal reports the 15th and 30th of every month to Mr. Natusch to be posted online

5. The next meeting is set for October 19th from 4-7 PM. The location is tentatively set for Rockville.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM the motion was made by Mike and seconded by Ryan.

Johann Wertz
Meeting date: Monday, September 18, 2006
Southington High School

President's Officer Report:

During the past week Caitlin Cox (President of Granite State FFA), Daniel Delcher (President of New Jersey FFA), and myself had the opportunity to serve as the Big E interns for FFA at the Big E 2006. On Thursday we spent the day getting familiar with our surroundings. Mr. Natuch served as the advisor for FFA at the Big E, so we spent most of our time at his side. We put together CDE superintendent books and made ribbons for judges and officials. That night we also participated in a press release gathering where we met the president of the Big E as well as Miss. Latin America. Friday, opening day of the big E, we prepared for the banquet by sorting flags and finishing up before hand planning. Caitlin Cox attended the Green Pastures dinner while Daniel Delcher and I attended the superintendent's dinner where we dined with an advisor from New Hampshire and Mr. and Mrs. Ogden, the official FFA scorers. That night I picked up National Eastern Region President Ryan Peterson from Bradley International. On Saturday as the stars pageant was going on I cataloged results and made sure everything I was responsible for, with the CDE's, was under control. That night was the banquet. With a little issue the night went well. I also met Mr. Hammond a man who helped me when the CDE results were late.

I suggest that anyone who has this opportunity take it because working at the Big E allows you to meet many people and experience situation where all of the leadership skills and abilities come in to play. I had a wonderful time.

Respectfully submitted by:

Johanna Wertz
CT FFA President 2006-2007

Elyse Brodeur
September 18, 2006
Officer Report

Since C O.L.T., I have stayed busy, in particular with the recent FFA Day at the Big E. I spent all day Saturday September 16, 2006 in West Springfield, Massachusetts. My day began in the Farm-A-Rama building working with the Floriculture C.D.E. However, Mr. Mavrelion, the contest coordinator had so much help, he allowed me to go work elsewhere. For the duration of the day, I helped out all three Big E interns with whatever they needed assistance with including running errands, helping to tabulate score cards, and making preparations for the evens banquet. At approximately 5:00, all of the banquet officials met at the Sheraton to begin rehearsing for the approaching ceremonies. It wouldn't have been possible without Dan, Caitlin, and Johanna.

Lindsay Capowich

State FFA Reporter

September 18, 2006

Officer Report

On September 15 I went to the Big E and helped out with the Parliamentary Procedure CDE, and then on Saturday the 16th I helped out with the Livestock CDE which was very fun and I got to play with pigs and sheep!

District III Chairperson's Report

We have just recently sent our CDE finalists to The Big E and have participated to the best of our ability. In my own chapter we sent Vet Tech and Dairy to compete. We do not know how our teams have done thus far but we are eagerly awaiting the verdict upon the winners.

We are also prepping for national convention, Salem New York FFA Officer Team exchange, and we are also working on the October meeting and currently a bowling meeting for November where we will be inviting all the members of district three (Southington, Mattabesett, and Glastonbury.) That will hopefully be held on the second Tuesday of November.

The Salem New York FFA Officer Team exchange is taking place at the Lyman Hall FFA Chapter. Last November the Lyman Hall FFA Chapter visited the Salem New York FFA Chapter last November, and while we were there we visited agricultural locations in Salem New York. While the New York FFA Chapter is here we shall be visiting agricultural places in CT. We have some places already to visit such as Gerimias Green House and Farm. They will be arriving the weekend before thanks giving and leaving that Sunday.

Respectfully Submitted

Ryan McCarthy District III Chairperson