

ND FFA Alumni and Supporters  
Summer Meeting  
August 29, 2021, 2:00 PM  
Carrington Research Extension Center – Carrington, ND & Zoom

President Bruce Bachmeier called the meeting to order.

Roll Call was done.

Rick Vannett VP- Present  
Mary Boehm Sec/Treas- Not Present  
Lynne Ostrem Reporter- Present

Roll of Chapter delegates was also done.

**Minutes:** Motion by Jodee Free to accept the minutes for the January 24, 2021 meeting. Seconded by Rick Vannett. Motion Passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** General, Gaming and Saving account balances were presented along with transactions since January 1, 2021. Daniel Deck moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Marita Erman. Motion Passed.

**Committee Reports:**

Foundation Update: Pam Tonnessen stated the Foundation/Alumni auction held for the 1<sup>st</sup> time during the State FFA Convention in Fargo was a success. There were 71 bidders with \$12,956.00 raised on 50 online items and 3 live auction items. Approximately 10 items were donated to the Auction by Alumni affiliates. Foundation will make a few adjustments for 2022 but plan on the same Auction format for now.

Star Partner distribution was made to all entities of Team Ag Ed.

Foundation board is looking for 1 new industry/donor board member in November. If anyone is interested, the application is on the Foundation webpage.

Membership/Affiliation Fee: Bruce Bachmeier clarified the \$150.00 Affiliation fee. Of the \$150.00 sent into the National Office, \$100.00 stays at the National FFA Office and \$50.00 is returned to the State FFA Alumni and Supporters. There are no Annual dues to be paid into the National FFA Office with the rosters.

**Old Business:**

Student Funding: We received 47 applications from 19 Alumni Chapters for the Senior Scholarship Awards. There were 20 scholarships awarded at \$400.00 each.

National FFA logo: The Alumni logo was changed effective January 2020. Bruce encouraged everyone to use the new logo moving forward. The logo is the FFA emblem with the wordage ND FFA Alumni & Supporters.

## **New Business:**

Emails: Bruce stated emails have been set up for each Alumni Executive Office. The new email addresses will be used moving forward and will transfer to new executive committee members to ensure a smooth transition and consistency for membership.

Facebook: The Facebook page has been updated with the FFA logo and wordage to say ND FFA Alumni & Supporters.

Webpage: The webpage has not been developed as it was not funded. Bob Finken moved to budget \$300.00 for webpage development. Pam Tonnessen seconded. Motion passed.

National Travel Stipend Application: \$6,500 total disbursement in budget. The applications will be emailed out to FFA Chapters to start submitting for State winning teams and individuals.

Rosters: Bruce asked that updated rosters be submitted by November 15, 2021. Please try and clean up your rosters and complete the email address for your members. This will help us set up a database to email Alumni membership. Just a reminder, you will only need to add lifetime members at the membership rate of \$235.00.

2021-2022 Raffle: Bob Finken moved to proceed with the 2021-2022 raffle. Marita Erman seconded. Motion passed. Marita Erman moved to send out an email to ask for 5 volunteers to serve on the raffle committee. Bob Finken seconded. Motion passed.

**Annual Meeting:** Rick Vannett moved the Annual meeting will be held Saturday, January 8, 2022 in Bismarck at the Ramkota during Winter Leadership. Time will be determined at a later date. Pam Tonnessen seconded. Motion passed.

**Other Business:** \$5,500 is budgeted for Winter Leadership shirts. Pam Tonnessen moved to let the Executive Council decide on best way to get t-shirts printed. Jodee Free seconded. Motion passed. Pam Tonnessen suggested giving the advisors a t-shirt.

Daniel Deck moved to adjourn the meeting. Kristi Tonnessen seconded. Motion passed.