

KIEL FFA ALUMNI AND SUPPORTERS MEETING-January 27, 2025

PRESENT: Scott Schweitzer, Jodi Kautzer, Ross Westphalen, Sam Lensmire, Emmy Newberg, Jon Braun and Trinity Barts, Ross Bender, David Mueller and Nicole Wallander via Google Meets

ABSENT: Zach Lensmire, Abigail Winkel and Mike Joas.

Vice-President Scott Schweitzer called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

CONSENT AGENDA: The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were emailed out prior to the meeting. Trinity, Reporter, gave the FFA Officer report. She reported that the district LDEs will be held tomorrow night at Howards Grove High School. Pizza Sale is still going on and that pizza making will be held on March 7th and 8th. February 17-21 is FFA week and activities are still being planned, including activities during lunch, staff breakfast and kiss a critter. Members will also be attending the FFA Ag Olympics at Mishicot High School on February 23. Emmy gave the Advisor's report and reported that an officer retreat was held yesterday on January 26th. Upcoming important dates include March 31, Chapter President interviews after school around 3:30, if anyone is available to sit in for interviews, April 26 is Adopt-a-Highway with breakfast after at Graf's and May 20 is the FFA Chapter Awards Ceremony. For the Chapter Awards Ceremony appetizers will be served and there will be a short awards ceremony. Emmy also stated that she will not be able to chair the Kiel Picnic this year, which she will be reaching out to David Friend if he would be willing to chair the event. Also she will not be attending the State Convention, which Jon will be attending with students and she also will not be attending the National Convention, which she will be looking at other options. Ross W. made a motion and seconded by Sam to approve the Consent Agenda, motion carried.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

SECTION 9 UPDATES: Nicole reported that the FFA Alumni Conference is coming up this next week, which she will be attending and that an email was sent out with upcoming activities from other Section 9 chapters.

NATIONAL FFA WEEK (FEBRUARY 15-22): Trinity had reported in the FFA Officer report that activities are being planned for the week of February 17-21. Activities include an assembly at the end of the week with the top 3 teams from the lunch activities competing for a gift certificate and the staff member with the most money has to kiss a critter. Money from the event will be donated to the Humane Society.

Fundraisers: Abigail had contacted Yard 65 and is waiting to hear back from them regarding the cup fundraiser. Abigail reached out to Zach to chair the golf outing and is waiting to hear back, no date set yet.

WINTER SOCIAL: Looking at doing an activity in April.

Other: Ross W. reported no update with the Nut/Bolt Sale fundraiser. David stated that he received Kaiden Reiss' transcript for the FFA Alumni scholarship, he will forward it to Sam for payment of the scholarship. Nicole requested for the Alumni to cover the cost of her registration fee for the State FFA Alumni Conference of \$65, Sam made a motion to cover the \$65 registration fee, Ross B seconded motion. Motion carried. Emmy also stated that she is working with the construction class regarding getting a cost to put in a concrete floor in the chicken coop, it was discussed that the Alumni may be able to assist with the expense. Emmy is in the discussion phase and will keep Alumni informed if assistance is needed. Nicole also reminded Emmy that outgoing seniors should go into their FFA log in to change their email to continue to receive emails and that others also should check their account as after a certain amount of time of inactivity the account is deactivated.

NEXT MEETING: February 24th @ 7pm at Kiel High School

Motion made by Ross W. and seconded by Ross B. to adjourn meeting at 7:55pm.