IATA FFA RELATIONS COMMITTEE

2018

Chair: Ray Shirts

**Changes made to the following at the Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday June 21st. (All other items were accepted)

#3 District Star Winners – The date was changed to match the deadline.

Final Motion - All district stars winners must send in 5 pictures with a short biography on the same date as the application is due. These pictures will include 1) Headshot in official dress, 2) Student and parents, 3) Student and Advisor, 4) Student involved in SAE, and 5) Student in FFA Activity.

#7 National Land & Range CDE's – This motion was brought up and moved by Ray Shirts – Died for lack of a 2nd in the Board meeting.

ACTION ITEMS (passed by Relations Committee)

1) Passed Motion to add the description of the star award areas from National FFA to the state star applications.

General discussion – the main issue was that several teachers were listing projects under Ag. Business that should be entrepreneurship. It was felt putting the descriptions would help with this.

2) Passed Motion to present plaques to the top 5 state teams in CDE's and top 4 teams in LDE's.

General discussion – this year there were only 3 plaques for the Veterinary Science CDE and the contest is growing in numbers.

3) District Star Winners need to send photos and a write up for their awards to the state office when they send in the final draft of the degree application.

This year Lori Harrison took care of the presentation and spent numerous hours tracking down teachers to get all of the information needed.

Final Motion Passed – The state will send out a reminder that all district stars must send in 5 pictures with captions by March 1. These pictures will include 1) Headshot in official dress, 2) Student and parents, 3) Student and Advisor, 4) Student involved in SAE, and 5) Student in FFA Activity.

4) Pertaining to granting all district star award winners an interview at SLC

Motion Passed – All Star interview invitations are to be given at a natural break in scores determined by the scoring committee. (Example of natural break - if there are 6 high quality projects – give 6 interviews; if there are only 2 – give only 2 interviews)

5) All star award candidates receiving interviews will be given an onsite visit.

General discussion – teachers wanted to assure that students don't just have a good project on paper. Time and the logistics of such a move were a big concern.

Motion – All star award candidates that are given interviews will also receive an onsite visit from team Ag. Ed. before the announcement of the winner at SLC.

- **Specifics of this will be gone over at Thursday's board meeting.
- **Item was changed in general session. It was referred to a committee consisting of Clara-Leigh-Evans and a teacher from each of the 10 districts.

6) Change the Star application rubric on description of process.

General Discussion – during sifting this year certain students put extra items in their applications – some were penalized for this and others were not – it was felt we needed to put everything on a level playing field and not penalize the students that did extra work.

Motion - Change the star application description of process to strike out the word "Only" and clarify that anything additional will not be scored (Additional information will not lead to disqualification or penalty)

7) National Land & Range CDE's

General Discussion – would like to have a national range and land judging CDE at the national convention, instead of instructors having to travel to a separate event.

Motion presented: Have the Idaho Delegates move that the National FFA Convention adopt the National Land and Range Judging CDE's.

MINUTES

Monday, June 18

Members Present:

Kyle Stapleton, Jack Blattner, Alan Schoen, Ray Shirts, Tom Woodland, Lex Godfrey, Val Johnson, Kala Hernandez, Amanda Chaney, Robert Hale, Billie Jo Blackson, Jake Landon, Joseph Maxwell, Kailee Davis, Jessica Stapelman, Jodie Mink, Kellsie Peterson, Kevin Wells

Called to Order at 4:06 p.m.

Minutes were read and approved

Revisited topic from last year brought up by Glenn Orthel asking that ITCA (Virtual Academy) be able to participate FFA. He was asked to provide questions on how the program met the FFA requirements. This information was never received and he retired this spring.

No Action

1. Clean up State degree check sheet. (Sue Poland)

After discussion the motion was tabled until next meeting in order to gather more information.

2. State Star Finalists get on site visits before SLC and interviews. (Amy Nichols)

General Discussion: wanted to hear from Amy Nichols

Tabled

3. Move to present a plaque to the top 5 teams in the veterinary science CDE instead of just 3. (Allan Wilmore)

General discussion – this year there were only 3 plaques and the contest is growing in numbers.

Motion to award 4 teams in LDE's and 5 teams in CDE's

Passed

4. Have an Interview for all Star District winners at the state convention.

General discussion – everyone should be interviewed and not just the four finalists.

Tabled due to the need for more thought and information.

5. District Star Winners need to send photos and write up for their awards to the state office when they send in the final draft of the degree application (Ray Shirts)

Final Motion Passed – The state will send out a reminder that all district stars must send in 5 pictures with captions by March 1. These pictures will be 1) Headshot in official dress, 2) Student and parents, 3) Student and Advisor, 4) Student involved in SAE, and 5) Student in FFA Activity.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19

Members Present:

Amy Nichols, Jack Blattner, Alan Schoen, Ray Shirts, Tom Woodland, Lex Godfrey, Val Johnson, Kala Hernandez, Robert Hale, Billie Jo Blackson, Jake Landon, Joseph

Maxwell, Kailee Davis, Jessica Stapelman, Jodie Mink, Kellsie Peterson, Daniel Henkkila, Kevin Wells, Clara-Leigh Evans (by phone)

Called to Order at 11:00 a.m.

1) Take from table motion pertaining to state star degree checklist

General discussion – the main issue was that several teachers were listing projects under ag business that should be entrepreneurship.

Motion to add the description of star award from National FFA to the state star applications.

Passed

2. Take from table motion pertaining to granting all district star award winners an interview at SLC

Motion Passed – All Star interview invitations are to be given at a natural break in scores determined by the scoring committee. (Example of natural break - if there are 6 high quality projects – give 6 interviews; if there are only 2 – give only 2 interviews)

3. Take from table motion that all star award candidates receiving interviews will be given an onsite visit.

General discussion – teachers wanted to assure that students don't just have a good project on paper. Time was a concern and the logistics of such a move.

Motion – All star award candidates that are given interviews will also receive an onsite visit before the announcement of the winner at SLC.

Postpone indefinitely moved by Tom Woodland. – Motion Failed Main motion passed.

4. Change the Star application description of process.

General Discussion – during sifting this year some students put extra items in their applications – some were penalized for this and others were not – it was felt we

needed to put everything on a level playing field and not penalize the students that did extra work.

Motion - Change the star application description of process to strike out the word "Only" and clarify that anything additional will not be scored (Additional information will not lead to disqualification or penalty)

Motion Passed

5. National Land & Soils Judging

General Discussion – felt it would be nice to have the national range and land judging at the national convention, instead of instructors having to travel to a separate event.

Moved by Jack Blattner that the Idaho Delegates move that the National FFA Convention adopt the National Land Judging and Range Contests.

Passed

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. (Ray Shirts agreed to be the chairman for 2019)