

SN FFA Alumni Meeting

4.15.25

SNHS

Presiding: Janice Davenport

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Mr. Covington passed around the attendance sheet and Janice reminded everyone to take a look at their points and remember to cash in their points for their student's activity costs.

Tori Whitley read the minutes from the previous meeting. Amy made a motion to accept them as read. Shannon seconded. Motion passed.

Tori gave the treasurer's report. As of this meeting, the account stands at \$24,137.08. We paid NC FFA for the sponsorship of two proficiency awards. Funds for that sponsorship were provided by Harriet Cook. The Livestock Show Concession Stand brought in \$775 with a \$100 donation, totaling \$885 for that fundraising event. Cameron Gowen moved to accept. Clay seconded. Motion passed.

Gracie Gowen gave the chapter update. They chapter participated in Regional Rally and had one team advance to states. The Blue and Gold Livestock, Livestock Judging, Poultry Judging and Tool ID also took place. Students passed out banquet invitations to all alumni. Gracie thanked all the alumni for a great year!

FINANCE COMMITTEE: They will be meeting over the summer to plan for the 2025-2026 budget.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Mr. Covington gave a summary of the committee's decision and scoring rubric for both scholarships, but did not reveal the winners' names. The committee is grateful to be able to offer the 2 year technical trade scholarship this year. There were 5 applicants. Covington reviewed how the rubric scoring works and the group was pleased with the process. There were two clear winners based on the scores but close for both groups. Chet and Amanda Christman, along with their family,

thanked the group for working hard to put this scholarship in place in Trace's honor. Trace chose to come to Southern Nash for the CTE program over other schooling options and this scholarship means a lot to the family.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Clay Whitley presented the following officers for the upcoming school year:

Janice Davenport- President

Cameron Gowen-Vice President

Tori Whitley- Secretary/Treasurer

Amy Parker is coming off of the scholarship committee and Sharon Whitley is joining. Amy moved to accept these nominations. Cameron Gowen seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There have been 294 butts sold. There are 15 grills secured. Grills need to be fired up by 6:45am. Kids are going to help wrap butts in the afternoon instead of going to the pep rally. If anyone has brought coolers in the past, please bring them again. Chapter is getting all the supplies.

NEW BUSINESS

Some alumni are going to help Ledbetter cook the meal for the banquet on May 1 at 3:30. The cake auction will be a silent auction this year from 6:00 to 7:00. The goal is to make enough money to cover hotel rooms for state convention. 10-15 cakes would be great.

Brake presented a new idea for fundraising in the upcoming year. The chapter has the opportunity to run the concession stands at NC State football games and potentially make \$4-6K per game. 10-16 people are needed to volunteer each game. She is working with athletics and the band to split the 7 games for the season. Volunteers have to be 18 years or older. They would like the alumni to participate with them.

Cornelius moved to adjourn. Clay seconded. Motion passed.

