

SN FFA Alumni Meeting

4.21.26- SNHS

Call to Order: Janice Davenport opened the meeting at 6:38 pm. She thanked everyone for their support this year and noted the awesome year the student chapter had!

Blake Cary presented on behalf of the student chapter. Recent events students have participated in were the legislative breakfast, UMO Agfest, Alumni skeet shoot, state livestock judging where they placed in high ranks, poultry judging, boston butt cook (188 butts), horse evaluation, rec camp challenge day, regional rally and poultry processing. The chapter had two regional officers selected to serve the region and a creed speaker going to states.

Janice reminded the group to redeem the points you have earned this year on your student's summer activity fees. Email Janice and Tori to apply the points. Points do NOT roll over.

Tori read the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion made to accept the minutes as read by Amy Parker. Seconded and passed. Tori gave the treasurer's report. \$858 gross income from the livestock show concession stand. Current balance is \$17,299.31. She shared the checks written this past month. Motion made to accept by Cameron and seconded by Trevor.

FINANCE committee plans to meet at the end of July to set next year's budget.

NOMINATING committee is nominating Angie Vandemark for VP, Janice for President, and Tori for Sec./Treasurer. Ralph Pegram made a motion to accept. Betty seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The group discussed having an Ad in the Hall of Fame/ Athletics program. We will return to this topic in March of 2027.

NEW BUSINESS

Amanda Christmas presented a \$500.00 check for the Trace Christman Community College Scholarship and spoke of the appreciation the family has for continuing to honor Trace and his love of trade work.

Ms. Mejia presented the banquet program in which our logo and information was included on the back. They asked us to sponsor the programs for our advertising purposes. Betty moved to pay half of the total cost which was \$500. Crystal seconded. Motion passed. We will sponsor the programs for \$250.

The group discussed recruitment efforts for next year. We would like to visit the chapter more often during classes or meetings and maybe the middle school. Conversation was had about how to reach recent college grads. Suggestion was made to serve meals.

Tori brought forth the idea to give the ag teachers a Teacher Appreciation gift. The group discussed giving a pair of shoes to each teacher of their choosing. Pepper made a motion to give each teacher a pair of shoes of their choosing, Crystal seconded. Motion passed. Tori will send them a gift note next week.

Barry Kiger presented on behalf of the SCHOLARSHIP committee which included Robert Covington, Todd Murray, and Sharon Whitley. There were no applicants for the 2 year trade scholarship. Of all applicants, there was a winner by a slim margin. The committee recommends awarding 2 scholarships for two students pursuing a 4 year degree. Barry made the motion to give these scholarships. Amy seconded. Motion passed. Barry also recommended speaking to kids about the scholarship program by visiting classes throughout the year to tell students about it. We need to make sure the scholarship information is on the website. We may look into doing an FFA scholarship night in November. We could also possibly use the Boston Butt sale to promote the scholarship and help "connect the dots" for people as to the reason we raise money.

Meeting adjourned.

Previously paid members:

Steven and Danielle Boswell
Janice and Shannon Davenport
Robert and Adrianne Covington
Ralph Pegram
Beth Medlin
Harriet Cook
Angie and Trevor Vandermark
Tori and Clay Whitley
Catina and Chris Cary
Betty and Cornelius Joyner
Ryan Joyner
Sharon and Jeff Whitley
Stuart Amy Parker
Pepper and Brent Manning
Barry and Tammy Kiger
Cameron and Crystal Gowen
Marcus Mitchell and Bill Wilder
Kenneth Joyner
Ken and Wanda Powell

Scholarship Committee

Barry Kiger (chair)
Sharon Whitley
Justin Daniel
Robert Covington
Todd Murray

Nominating Committee

Cameron Gowen

Finance Committee

Pepper Manning (Chair)
Tori Whitley
Harriet Cook
Crystal Gowen