

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 9, 2008

The regular meeting of the Colorado FBLA Board of Directors was called to order on Tuesday, September 9, 2008. In the absence of Board Chair Jennifer Flummerfelt, State Adviser Deborah Ramirez called the meeting in the Foundation room at CCCS with Secretary Patti Ord recording minutes.

Call to Order

Roll call indicated the following present: Ms. Julie Sigmund, District Two; Ms. Rebecca Schmidt, District Three; Mrs. Jeanett Lambrecht, District Four; Mrs. Patti Ord, District Five and Board Secretary; Mrs. Judy Kovacich, District Six; Mrs. Linda Malers, District Seven; Mrs. Sharon Adams, District Eight and State Officer Team Adviser; Mrs. Nancy Lindbloom, District Nine; Mrs. Sue Terrell, State President Adviser, Ms. Jordan Jackson, Colorado FBLA State President and Mrs. Deb Ramirez, State FBLA-PBL Adviser.

Secretary Assignment: Mrs. Patti Ord was appointed to continue as board secretary for 2008-2009.

Approval of Agenda: Approved by board consensus.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Lindbloom. Motion passed.

Reports

State President: Program of Work focus is community service. Many attended Nationals and IFL. Hope represented Colorado very well in her bid for national office. State officer team meeting is tomorrow. Many went to MDA telethon. Colorado theme for 2008-9 is Peak to Success.

Treasurer: \$94,927.35 savings, \$71,132.55 checking. Loss SLC \$30,810.24. Net income \$15,103.98. Perkins budget was cut 30 percent.

Officer Team Advisers: Worked as a team to support Hope. This is a very cohesive team.

State Adviser: Things are a bit calmer this year. Ev Vaughan is on staff as state DECA adviser. All open business education positions were filled, some with emergency credentials. Mrs. Ramirez found out that if something happened and chapters could not make it to SLC and don't pay their hotel bills, state FBLA is liable. Marriott and Vail Cascade have made a contract proposal for five separate years after 2010 and both hotels agreed to pick up cost of Dobson (\$7,000 for each of those five years). A grant was written to City of Vail to assist with bus payment; no response yet. The current price of shuttle busses is locked in until 2010 at \$15,000 per year. The hotels may try to work with Mrs. Ramirez on Internet cost for competitive events (\$100 per day per room). The Monday night dinner will be held at both the Marriott and Vail Cascade hotels for SLC 2009. Congratulations to Denver West FBLA for second place, largest chapter membership, in the Mountain-Plains region at NLC. The plaque was given to Ms. Sigmund from District 2. Mrs. Ramirez shared a thank you letter from Hope. An email regarding live team event participation/qualifiers based on chapter/district size was shared. After discussion, Mrs. Kovacich moved that the number of participants in live events at DLC be based on the number of voting delegates each chapter is allowed (based on paid dues membership on December 1 of the current year). Second by Mrs. Lambrecht. Motion passed. All correspondence was filed with board secretary.

Business & Marketing Program Director: Ms. Laurie Urich stated that regional meetings are coming up, and her office is wanting to reach out to the field. Other dates of note: CTE new teachers (0-3 years experience) inservice October 17. Preparing for CBE fall conference in early October.

Old Business

2008 NLC Review: All Colorado FBLA winners were in performance and team events.

Redistricting: The board reviewed a spreadsheet with current active chapters/numbers and inactive chapters. Mrs. Lambrecht moved that District 2 be separated into two districts, identified as District 2 and District 10 by geographic location for 2009-2010. Seconded by Mrs. Adams. Motion was amended to state that once numbers are evaluated by Mrs. Ramirez and she determines that it is feasible to split District 2 into two districts, that process will be completed for 2009-2010. Motion passed.

New Business

2008 Glenwood Springs Invitational: All information is on the state website.

2008 CFLC: All is ready. District Nine will end early at noon. No location for their CFLC 2009.

2008 NFLC: Mrs. Lindbloom's local chapter is doing a community service project in conjunction with the New Orleans NFLC supporting Stand Up for Kids, a non-profit organization that rescues homeless kids off the street. They are inviting all chapters going to NFLC to complete care packages from the Stand Up for Kids wish list that they will transport to New Orleans. They want chapters to match the number of care packages prepared for New Orleans and for the organization in their home state. The other NFLC host cities also have Stand Up for Kids chapters, as do Denver, Boulder and Colorado Springs. Chapters not going to NFLC will be asked to contribute care packages too. This project will be kicked off at the CLFCs.

2009 DLC: Districts will grade own skill tests using format guide. Those dates will be determined by district. Business teachers should be only ones grading. All materials requiring early submission will be sent to the district vice president. Board members still need to find judges to grade Website, Business Plan, Business Financial Plan, etc and have those materials processed. Business Plan, Business Financial Plan and Help Desk will be live events at DLC for 2009, in addition to the required submitted written materials. Online testing fees and protocols were discussed. Skills tests for DLC will be emailed to the district vice presidents who will mail them out to each adviser needing them.

On-line registration: opens December 5-15, 2008 for the 2009 DLCs.

2009 SLC: Mrs. Ramirez is working on contract information (see adviser report). Registration will be \$98.00 and rooms are approximately \$119 per night per room. The keynote has not been confirmed yet. Mrs. Ramirez needs workshop ideas. There is one new written event (Sports Management) and national protocols for live event finals will be followed.

2009 NLC: Mrs. Ramirez is working with Debbie Smith for Anaheim June 23-29, 2009. Registration will be \$95. Travel package tentative pricing is: Single room \$1996; double \$1476, triple \$1326 and quad \$1300. The package includes: airfare, six night hotel, bus transfers, two days hopper at Disney (and California Adventure), one dinner show/dance, t-shirt and pins, and all meals. The opening session is June 25; IFL is 24th-25th.

2009 NFLC: Denver will host one. Mrs. Ramirez will work with the 2009-10 officer team for goody bags.

Chapter Management Handbook: has been sent by Nationals with minor updates and changes.

Mentoring: new advisers have been matched up with veteran advisers. Let Mrs. Ramirez know if there are other new advisers in your districts.

Integrating FBLA into the classroom: Mrs. Ramirez is looking for ideas to share with the field—particularly those that use the Business Achievement Awards as much as possible.

Membership: New deadline for DLC attendance is now December 1 to make online registration easier!

CAP (Colorado Awards Program) Committee: Kristina Ham, NAP committee member, has a national book she will share with Mrs. Ramirez.

Workshop committee: Mrs. Ramirez needs INTERACTIVE workshops that are cost effective for SLC.

Nuggets/Avalanche: The board will defer decisions about this activity to the state office team.

Website: Has been updated. Please look at it and let Mrs. Ramirez know if corrections are needed.

Sponsorships: Board members are encouraged to continue to work to secure those. Awards/plaques are \$10,000 alone at SLC. State officers and Mrs. Ramirez are also working with these.

Membership: Mrs. Urich and Mrs. Ramirez will visit with Jefferson County schools about active FBLA chapters and approved Business Education programs. Colorado FBLA is maintaining membership. The board may need to explore the FBLA middle level program. The new career cluster STEM may have some overlap with TSA whose bylaws allow for middle levels.

CBE conference: October 9-11 in Denver, please attend if possible.

Bylaws: may change to incorporate middle schools and the FBLA Middle Level.

Peak Awards: Mrs. Ord presented updates to make all language consistent between levels and realign Peak Five with National Outstanding Chapter. Mrs. Ord will make changes and submit electronically to Mrs. Ramirez as soon as possible. The Event Verification form and Peak Checklist will be electronically added to the Peak Award documentation.

Miscellaneous:

Internet Safety: This panel will work with FBLA and DECA members only on October 21, 2008. Please bring your best members to visit with legislators. Only 150 members will be invited. Members then will go back to their areas and talk about internet safety. This will be a great networking and internship opportunity for members. Registration is done on your own. A flyer was presented.

Dates were announced:

Board Meeting March 24, 2009, starting at 9:00 a.m.

State Skill grading March 25, 2009, starting at 9:00 a.m.

Board Meeting May 5, 2009, starting at 9:00 a.m.

The 2010 NLC will be in Nashville, and 2011 will be in Orlando.

Expense forms: were completed.

Adjournment: Moved by Mrs. Malers and seconded by Mrs. Adams. Adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Ord

Patti Ord, Secretary