MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Montgomery, Alabama
October 9, 1937

The Executive Committee of the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America met in the offices of the State Department of Education at 1:00 P.M., Saturday, October 9, 1937. The following members were present: O'Neill Sewell, President; Marvin Smith, Vice-President; Bradley Twitty, Secretary; Pete Turnham, Treasurer; Maxwell Lewis, Reporter; R. E. Cammack, Adviser.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

STATE F. F. A. ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Mr. Cammack called the attention of the Committee to the importance of delegating responsibility for the 1937-38 State Activity Program. After a thorough discussion of each item, responsibility was delegated as follows:

President

Item 3. State organization strive toward a student placement division.

Item 4. Continue to have committees handle business at the convention.

Item 11. Where possible let the chapters be instrumental in assisting the supervisory force in establishing new vocational departments.

An article to be written for the third issue of the news letter. It was suggested that the President work with the State Adviser in connection with this item, and that the libraries of all accredited high schools be put on the mailing list for the Alabama Future Farmer.

Item 15. Let one hundred per cent of chapters cooperate with national agricultural program.

It was suggested that the President work with the State Adviser on this item, and that all chapters be urged to give one meeting to a study of the national agricultural program. It was decided that the F. F. A. as an organization should keep in touch with what is done at agricultural meetings in the State. The President was authorized to attend the meeting at Auburn on October 12, his expense account to be submitted to the State Adviser for payment. After the meeting, the President and State Adviser will get together and place in the hands of the chapters any information which is thought advisable.

Item 16. Each chapter hold a father and son banquet.

A short notice on this item to be written for the October news letter, and a full page letter to be mailed to the chapters the latter part of October.
President (Cont'd)

Item 18. State F. F. A. Association encourage chapters to take educational tours.

The President to write an article in the spring making suggestions to chapters regarding tours - places to go, average cost, etc. It was suggested that before this article is written for the newsletter, the President write a letter to the chapters seeking information relative to successful tours that have been taken.

Item 24. Each chapter sponsor a live-at-home program.

The President to write two letters to the chapters during the year suggesting that the live-at-home program be stressed.

Item 25. The President appoint a special committee to work out new initiations for Greenhand and Future Farmer degrees and report back to the 1935 convention.

It was suggested that this committee be appointed early in the year.

Item 28. Each applicant for membership in the F. F. A. be thoroughly familiar with the F. F. A. manual and chapter objectives, and satisfy the chapter officers to that effect before being initiated.

The President to write two letters to the chapters on this subject, one immediately and one in March.

Item 29. Each chapter sponsor conservation program for wildlife (including birds, fish, and any other wildlife of local interest), this activity to be carried out in cooperation with the Commissioner of Game and Fisheries.

Mr. E. O. Scruggs was requested to work with the President in connection with this item.

Vice-President

Item 7. Each chapter sponsor cooperative organization of buying and selling for vocational students, and encourage cooperative effort among adults.

Item 10. Each chapter have a Greenhand initiation team; the Future Farmer initiation to be put on by a district initiation team.

Letter to be written to chapters by October 15.

Item 13. One hundred per cent of chapters add at least one-half as many books as they have members in the chapter.

A short article to be written for the newsletter by October 20 stating that book lists are available and may be secured from the Assistant State Adviser.

Item 14. Each chapter conduct a nursery.

Item 20. Each chapter be encouraged to advance members from one degree to the other as rapidly as possible under the provisions of the constitution.

Letter to be written the latter part of January.
Secretary

Item 1. One hundred per cent of chapters in the State entering all contests sponsored by State Association.

It was suggested that the Secretary work with Mr. Sargent on this item.

Item 6. Each chapter study the guide for National Chapter Contest, and follow the guide in entering contest.

It was suggested that the Secretary and Mr. Gibson study the National Chapter Contest exhibit while in Kansas City and immediately after the meeting write an article for the news letter and mail it to Mr. Sargent to be turned over to Mr. Brown.

Item 19. Each chapter become thoroughly familiar with State Activity Program.

A letter to be written to the chapters immediately suggesting that one meeting be devoted to the state activity program, and that local activity programs be adapted to the state program. The attention of the chapters should be called to the fact that the 1937-38 state activity program is in the September issue of the news letter.

Item 21. Each chapter submit to the State Secretary by May 15 an annual report on the accomplishments of the year.

The Secretary to work with the Clerical Secretary on this item.

Item 22. Each chapter set up an activity program in line with the state and national activity programs and adapt it to the needs of the local community.

It was suggested that while at the national meeting the Secretary secure a copy of the national activity program and mail copies to chapters soon after his return.

Item 26. Each chapter encourage rural electrification.

An article to be written for the fourth issue of the news letter. It was suggested that the Secretary get information available from the TVA and work out a chapter program on this subject, Mr. Pittman to assist him in this connection.

Item 27. Promote joint activities between FFA and FHA organizations.

A letter to be written to the President of the Future Homemakers of Alabama asking her cooperation in setting up a joint program. An article to be written for the December news letter.

Treasurer

Item 2. Each chapter affiliated with a district organization and presenting well-planned radio programs regularly where possible.

The Treasurer to work with Messrs. Cammack, Gibson, and Brown in connection with this item.
Treasurer (Cont'd)

Item 5. Each chapter establish a chapter calendar setting specific dates to work on chapter and state objectives, such as dues on old members to be remitted by November 1; on other members initiated after November 1 to be remitted by April 1, with convention fee of $2.

The Treasurer to work with Mr. Gibson on a calendar for chapter activities. A letter to be written for October newsletter regarding dues to be submitted on November 1.

Item 12. Each chapter organize a cooperative savings department.

Item 17. Each chapter encourage and develop musical talent.

The Treasurer to work with Messrs. Gammack, Gibson, and Brown on this item. A meeting to be held in Auburn the latter part of October on Saturday.

Reporter


The Reporter to work in conjunction with Messrs. Brown and Gibson on this item; to check up on chapters that fail to submit monthly reports; to write to district officers reminding them of reports; and to be responsible for collecting material from officers and mailing it to Mr. Brown. Mr. Gibson will notify reporter sometime within the next month as to the kind of copy that will fit into the newsletter this year. The Reporter will make one, and if possible two, trips to Auburn to assist with the newsletter when notified by Mr. Brown and Mr. Gibson to do so.


An article on this item to be written for the newsletter.

Item 23. Increase active membership in State Association to 4,000.

Letters to the chapters to be written the latter part of November and the latter part of February.

EXPENSES OF APPLICANTS FOR NATIONAL OFFICE

On motion of Bradley Twitty, seconded by Maxwell Lewis and unanimously carried, it was decided that the State Association would assume no responsibility whatsoever in paying the expenses to the national convention of any applicant for a national office.

It was moved by Bradley Twitty, seconded by Pete Turnham and unanimously carried, that the President notify C. W. Wells of the action taken by the Committee and write urging the local chapter of F. F. A. at Jemison as well as the district to pay his expenses to the national meeting.
VISITS TO CHAPTERS BY OFFICERS

It was moved by Pete Turnham, seconded by Bradley Twitty and unanimously carried, that each member of the Executive Committee make visits during the year to nearby chapters and districts, $25 to be allowed the President for this purpose and $15 for each of the other officers. It was suggested that each officer submit to Mr. Cammack for approval and suggestions a copy of a speech prepared for these visits. It was also suggested that the officers deliver in person the charters to the new chapters, and that each officer discuss with his principal all trips to be made and invite him to accompany him where possible.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Marvin Smith, seconded by Maxwell Lewis and unanimously carried, the Committee adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley Twitty
Secretary

Approved:

O'Neill Sewell
President

Marvin Smith
Vice-President

Pete Turnham
Treasurer

Nellie Lewis
Reporter

March 12, 1939