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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ALABAMA ASSOCIATION FFA
AUBURN, ALABAMA, AUGUST 3-4, 1944

The Executive Committee of the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America met in the offices of the Agricultural Education Department, Auburn, Alabama, on Thursday, August 3, 1944, at 8 p.m. Those present were: Thad Salmon, President; Wayne Thompson, Vice President; Louise Chapman, Secretary; Merrill Carlisle, Treasurer; Dan Powell, Reporter; Clarice Beech, Sentinel; L. L. Sellers, Assistant Adviser; R. E. Cammack, Adviser; and Mrs. Littleton.

After the opening ceremony, the president recognized Mr. Cammack who spoke to the group concerning the Program of Work for 1944-45, duties of officers in carrying out a successful program, the opportunity offered them to serve the 7000 boys who delegated them the responsibility of directing the organization for the coming year.

Mr. Cammack explained that the State Association would send two delegates to the 17th National Convention - the president of the Association being automatically appointed a delegate by reason of the fact that with him rests the greatest responsibility of the Association. The second delegate is always chosen from the other five members of the Executive Committee. Arrangements for travel and housing for the convention to be held in Kansas City, October 9-11, 1944, will be made from the Auburn office. Other members of the Association eligible to attend the convention are the three candidates for the American Farmer Degree.

In explaining the purpose of the Future Farmer of America Foundation, Incorporated, Mr. Cammack told the Executive Committee that this foundation was organized and incorporated under the Laws of the District of Columbia in May 1944. Officers are made up of the Chief of Agricultural Services and four regional agents, four representatives from each region. Mr. Cammack represents the 12 Southern States as member of the council. The purpose of the organization is to be able to receive funds from people who are interested in FFA and want to give donations. The plan is to sponsor certain projects in FFA on a national basis, and when money is sufficient, they will sponsor projects and activities in the different states. Hereafter companies having goods to advertise approached the FFA to sponsor contests. By setting up the Future Farmers of America Foundation, all money is put into this organization and loses its identity. A list of donors will be published without amounts given and no corporation will have anything to do with how money is spent.
STATE ACTIVITY PROGRAM

The State Activity Program was read by the Secretary and discussed by members of the committee, keeping in mind officers' duties as set up in the training program. It was decided that further study of officers' duties and responsibilities was necessary before final assignments made.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony at 10:10 p.m.

Friday, August 4, 3:30 P.M.

Members of the Executive Committee continued discussion of State Activity Program. Sections of the program were assigned as follows:

(Topics not assigned as articles for The Alabama Future Farmer may be handled by chapter visits or through personal letters to chapter officers. All letters to be mimeographed and mailed to chapters will be sent to L. L. Sellers, Auburn, Alabama.)

President

II. Cooperative Activities

1. 100% chapters cooperate with other groups in wartime efforts and conservation of war materials.

III. Community Service

1. Each chapter set up one major community service activity.
   (Article in February issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than February 1.)

IV. Leadership Activities

1. Hold annual State Convention.
   (Article in May issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than May 1.)

2. Two delegates and American Farmers attend National Convention.
   (Article in November issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than November 1.)

VII. Scholarship

1. Every member improve scholarship.
Vice President

I. Supervised Farming

1. 100% members participate in wartime food program.
   (Article in January issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than January 1.)

III. Community Service

2. 100% chapters and members conserve resources.
   (Article in February issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than February 1.)

VI. Leadership Activities

4. Conduct Public Speaking Contest.
   (Article in December issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than December 1.)

5. Sponsor "Better Chapter Contest".

6. Every chapter develop wartime activity program.

Secretary

III. Community Service

3. 100% chapters and members improve livestock and crop production.

VI. Conduct of Meetings

4. 100% members have access to official manual.
5. 100% chapters using official secretary and treasurer books.
6. Every member attend at least 90% of chapter meetings.
   (Combined in article for November issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than November 1.)

VIII. Recreation

2. 100% chapters have 5 or more FFA books.
   (Article for December issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than December 1.)
Treasurer

I. Supervised Farming

3. All chapters conduct two local project tours.
   (Article in February issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than February 1.)

II. Cooperative Activities

3. 100% chapters foster one or more cooperative activities in buying, selling, or trading.

IV. Leadership Activities

6. 6,700 members by November 1, 1944.

V. Earnings and Savings

1. Every chapter financially sound.
   (Article in January issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than January 1.)

2. 100% chapters and members buy war bonds and stamps.

Reporter

I. Supervised Farming

2. Every chapter cooperate in farm equipment repair.
   (Article in January issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than January 1.)

II. Cooperative Activities

2. Every chapter participate in the FFA Forestry Program.
   (Article in November issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than November 1.)

IV. Leadership Activities

3. Continue publishing "The Alabama Future Farmer".

7. Keep public informed on what FFA is and does.
Sentinel

IV. Leadership Activities

9. Each chapter advance members as rapidly as they qualify. (Article in March issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than March 1.)

VI. Conduct of Meetings

1. 100% chapters conduct meetings with proper parliamentary procedure.
2. 100% chapters use opening and closing and degree ceremonies according to official manual.
3. 100% chapters have and use standard chapter equipment. (Combined in article for December issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than December 1.)

VIII. Recreation

1. Each chapter develop FFA quartet.
3. Every chapter have athletic program. (Combined in article for December issue of The Alabama Future Farmer, to be sent to R. W. Montgomery, Auburn, Alabama, not later than December 1.)

FUTURE PLANS

Things to do or stress before next Executive Committee meeting:

1. Chapter program of work.
2. Parliamentary procedure.
3. Send in reports on time.
4. Forestry Program.
5. Quartet Contest.
6. Public Speaking Contest.
7. Order and use official secretary and treasurer books.
8. Chapter publicity.
10. State Farmer Degree.
11. Joint activities - cooperation of FFA and FHA.

RECORD AND REPORT CALENDAR

The Committee made changes in the Record and Report Calendar to cover dates for the Quartet Contest. Other items and dates are to remain the same.
F. F. A. HANDBOOK

The Executive Committee unanimously agreed to republish an Alabama FFA Handbook for 1944-45. Merrill Carlisle suggested that the Association print a smaller type Handbook to include only the essential information necessary to Alabama chapters. This was seconded by Clarice Beech and approved by the Committee. Thad Salmon and Merrill Carlisle were appointed as a committee to go over the handbook and revise it for publication. All officers were asked to submit their suggestions to the committee. The committee is to turn its recommendations over to Mr. Sellers by September 1.

DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

By a method of elimination, Wayne Thompson was designated to be the second delegate to the National Convention with Louie Chapman as alternate delegate. Arrangements for the trip will be made by Mr. Sellers.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The second Executive Committee meeting is to be held in November, exact date to be decided later. Items of business to be taken up at this meeting are:

3. Forestry Program.
4. Review duties and responsibilities of each officer.
5. Delinquent chapters.
6. Outline of duties for next 3 or 4 months.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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President

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Vice President

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Treasurer

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Reporter

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Sentinel

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