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## **Governing Board/Advisory Council Minutes**

May 22, 2020 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Alexander, Chair; Cindy Vance, Secretary, Alan Webb, Marc Moran, Kate Hawkins, Darryl Holland, Jennifer Armstrong, LaVeta Nutter, Alison Jones, Stuart Byrd, Andy Seibel, Katherine Carter, Cindy Green, Sherry Heishman, Teresa Lindberg, Russell Jennings, Phillip McCroskey, Cole Ramsey, Jennie Simmons, Mary Hardesty, Cole Ramsey, David Richmond, Ed McCann

MINUTES: The minutes from the May 15th, 2020 meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve the minutes – Ed McCann
Second – Marc Moran
Minutes approved

**YOUTH LIVESTOCK:** Katherine Carter, Youth Livestock Specialist, reported that they are continuing to plan educational events. The virtual market shows wrapped up this week.

**VAAE:** Award applications are currently being evaluated. The award winners will be recognized this fall at the celebration with FFA as well as the 2021 teacher's conference.

**FFA FOUNDIATION:** Every convention session is now sponsored and there is an overall convention sponsor.

**STATE FFA CONVENTION:** Andy and Alison are beginning to record for sessions. The proficiency applications as well as star applications are currently being evaluated by a committee. A list of open proficiency award areas will be sent out. If you have a candidate for one of the open Proficiency awards, the application will need to be submitted as soon as possible. Due to deadlines in preparing the convention sessions, any new award applications may not be in the program.

Andy reported that National FFA has decided to have invitational activities instead of the usual CDE/LDEs at the convention. Our state public speaking events will be held June 9-10 with the winners being announced during the convention.

There will be a virtual horse judging event on June 20. The top 15 will give reasons.

Alex White will host a Farm Business Management Event.

LaVeta spoke about SAE now being included in the Work Based Learning Guide. She sent an email seeking committee member and the response was overwhelming. The committee will work to decide requirements to place in the WBL Guide. She encouraged teachers to communicate with CTE directors regarding Perkins Funds being used to purchase subscriptions to AET.

Both boards will continue to meet weekly. Next meeting will be Friday, May 28, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned: 9:31 a.m.