

PYFA Board Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2022
Wyndham Garden Hotel
2000 Loucks Road York, PA 17408

Meeting called to order at 8:10am by PYFA President Ken Sanner

Those in attendance were: Ken Sanner, Ed Zug, Keith Weimer, Jason Rentzel, Anthony Deitrich, Michelle Dietrich, Betsy Huber, Dale Hawkins, Deb Zug, Linda Krall, Becky Nas

Ken Sanner called for additions or corrections to December's board meeting minutes. Hearing none, minutes approved as printed.

Betsy Huber gave her Executive Secretary report. Betsy announced one revision to the conference schedule. The PDA representative scheduled for the dinner banquet on Tuesday, 2/1 will now be during the lunch banquet on Wednesday, 2/2. The 2022 NYFEA preview scheduled for the lunch banquet on Wednesday, 2/2 will now be presented at Tuesday's, 2/1 dinner banquet. Deputy Secretary Greg Hostetter from PDA will be our guest speaker for Wednesday's luncheon.

Ed Zug shared his Treasurer's report. Ed announced that \$20,000 was taken from the Institute account and placed into a money market account bearing .06% interest. Ed shopped around and found that to be the highest earning at this point in time. Ed will continue to watch it to find something better as time goes on. The remaining \$3023 in the Institute account was transferred to the PYFA checking account to be used toward convention expenses if needed. Ed's report was filed for audit. Past President Lizzie Bailey and Jason Rentzel are the auditing committee. They will audit the books ahead of the Delegate meeting on 02/02/22.

Deb Zug presented her Membership report. Deb referred us to page 33 of the convention booklet where the report is printed. Deb distributed her prepared 2022 dues packets to those chapters or Vice Presidents present. Deb will mail the remaining packets.

Public Relations- Linda Krall and Denise Sanner shared their itinerary for the day. They will take Spokesperson Contestant, Greg Gipe of Fairfield, to the local Weis Markets for the media blitz. After the tours return, they will host a roundtable discussion with Greg to be held in the hospitality room. All are encouraged to attend.

Regional VP Reports

Northern- Michelle Dietrich

Michelle reports that Mifflinburg and Lewisburg have been active to include monthly meetings, Venison supper and officer elections. Michelle questioned the timeliness of the Life Member certificates. Membership chair, Deb Zug, confirmed that they are distributed at the Wednesday evening banquet of the conference and because of not having a conference in February 2021, she has two years worth of certificates and pins to distribute. Confirmation was made that the Over 30 and Under 30 Award applications are the same application posted on the website. The board recommends possibly clarifying that heading on the website and if any member or board member has questions that come up between

meetings, please communicate them as soon as they come up- don't wait until the next scheduled meeting. Any possible applicants are encouraged to apply for the 2023 conference.

South Central- Jason Rentzel

Jason reports that the South Central Region has been quiet.

Eastern- Dale Hawkins

Dale apologized for his report not getting in for the conference booklet in time. They were having internet provider/technical difficulties. Manheim had to postpone the January 29 biopower tour and are hoping to get a date rescheduled. Dale was able to have a tour of the newly built Messicks of Elizabethtown location. He reported that it is under the 3rd generation of management consisting of five cousins. They are focusing on planning for the future and have one of the largest parts distribution going out of that site.

Western- Keith Weimer

Keith reports that the west has been active and has held most all planned meetings to date with more planned in the coming weeks.

NYFEA- Denise Sanner reported that 2022 NYFEA Institute registrations papers are released and being distributed. It will take place in New Orleans, LA from 11/30/22- 12/03/22. 2024 Institute is being planned to be held in Texas. Ags Promise event in Washington, DC is planned with dates set of 03/06/22-03/08/22.

Nominee Updates- Secretary Becky Nas overviewed the PYFA Board nominees for 2022-2023: President- Becky Nas, President Elect- Michelle Dietrich, Past President- Ken Sanner, Secretary- VACANT, Executive Secretary- Betsy Huber, Treasurer- Ed Zug, Membership- Deb Zug, Public Relations- VACANT, Northern VP- Matt Dersham, Southern VP- Jason Rentzel, Eastern VP- Dale Hawkins, Western VP- Keith Weimer

Conference Agenda was reviewed. All details covered with the hotel to this point. Because there is no planned lunch on Thursday, \$20 is being returned to all registrants. At this point, 34 members have registered for the conference. Betsy Huber confirmed that Deputy Secretary Greg Hostetter will be the expected dignitary from PDA. Dr. John Ewing, Mike Brammer, Sarah Sparks and FFA President Abigail O'Neill will be in attendance on Wednesday. Tour itinerary was reviewed. Michelle reported that 75 sponsorship/donation requests were sent with 7 being received back to total the amount of \$1800 received in donations money. Workshops were reviewed.

Betsy announced that she has received several scholarship applications with a few more to possibly come in. She will be in touch with the scholarship committee after the deadline passes to review the applications. At that point it will be determined if there will be one or two \$500 offered.

Dave Kline is all set to provide the banquet entertainment on Tuesday evening.

All auction items and door prize items should be placed in the hospitality room.

Jason Rentzel has confirmed Larry Swartz for the auctioneer on Wednesday evening.

Linda Krall reports that the hospitality room is stocked and ready to go.

Deb Zug reports that the ladies program will depart at 1pm on Wednesday to carpool to the York Merchant. An announcement will be made at lunch.

Future conference sites- 2023- Gettysburg, 2024- Mifflinburg?, 2025- ?

Board discussed how to get better participation? Should the conference be condensed into two days? What modifications could/should be made? Should the conference be moved from mid week to a weekend?

Technology continues to be incorporated and expanded upon. Biggest help would be to get a Public Relations person on the board that can concentrate more on making active posts and announcements. Could a sponsor be found to cover the cost of an online platform if there is one needed?

Next meeting- Sunday, March 27, 11am at the Hoss's in Gettysburg. 1140 York Road Gettysburg, PA 17325

9:40am, meeting adjourned

Minutes prepared by PYFA Secretary, Becky Nas