

Career Development Event Committee  
Thursday, July 27, 2017  
11:45am-3:00pm  
Arlington, Texas

**Members Present:**

Area I – Adam Westbrook, Rob Hawkins  
Area II – Cory Rains, Tim Flanagan  
Area III – Troy Oliver, Traylor Lenz (Jessica Reeves)  
Area IV – Loren Sell, Jimmy Carter  
Area V – Ryan Pieniazek, Brent Wicker  
Area VI – Cody Darby  
Area VII – Ray Pieniazek  
Area VIII – Mindy Howard, Jared Doughty  
Area IX – (Ted Thompson), Paul Schwander  
Area X – Jeff Kennedy, Jim Harris  
Area XI – Troy Oliver  
Area XII – Mindy Howard

**Guests Present:** Austin Large, Tricia Sullivan, Russell Ewell, Dr. Dwayne Pavelock, Dr. Doug Ullrich, Gary Rosenbusch, Michelle Damerau, Dr. Ted Ford, Amanda Busch, Kevin Wunderlich, Dr. Rayfield

**I. Call to Order**

a. Meeting called to order by Tricia Sullivan at 11:46am

**II. Concerns:**

- a. Area I: Entomology contest – magnifying glasses, will the contest providers provide enough for all contestants
- b. Area II: People checking clipboards at contests, need to follow the rules as outlined. Concerns regarding MQP Non Dairy Milk vs. Non Dairy Flavored Beverage.
- c. Area III: More examples/resources for MQP problem solving. Dairy vs. Non Dairy – can the products be placed out for display in their packages so that teachers and students can see those after the contest is over?
- d. Area IV: None
- e. Area V: Texas A&M to find a place to hold results with more seating available.
- f. Area VI: None
- g. Area VII: MQP – request to use no smoked cheeses. MQP – references for problem solving, suggestion: only use previous NFFA examples from past contests. Food Tech – nothing to follow on the problem solving, would like to use NFFA resource. Meats – concern about primal references, they may have suggestions. Clipboards – not enough help to with clipboard checking, which was the cause of concern.
- h. Area VIII: Policing apple watches at contests.

- i. Area IX: Ag communications – video portion, contestants were within the time limits, but penalized. Felt as though scoring wasn't properly done. Results changed after posting. Forestry – Compass, try to use wood rather than metal stakes because it affects the compass. Use different markers for different sets in the compass activity. Plant was tagged for ID that was not on the list.
- j. Area X: Adult advisors enforcing dress code should also be in dress code.

### **III. Issues**

- a. Food Tech/Milk Quality – Conversion sheet for problems
  - Need a direct reference for those conversion sheets. We can use the National FFA reference, Ray Pieniasek can provide the link to that reference. For MQP – use only past National FFA examples, because there isn't a published resource.

**Ray Pieniasek - Motion: For the MQP Contest, the only references to be used for the development of the problem-solving portion of the contest will be National FFA question and answers from past national contests.**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

**Ray Pieniasek – Motion: For the Food Tech Contest, utilize the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service Processing Inspectors' Calculations Handbook (revised 1995) as the resource for the development of problem solving problems relating to the following sections: Conversions (e.g. metric, US equivalents, grams, ounces, percent, ppm, Celsius, Fahrenheit); Pearson's Square; Percent of an ingredient in a formula; Yield; Shrink loss; Volume of a container; Calorie calculations; Total energy calculations. All will be referenced at this following link: <http://www.aamp.com/foodsafety/documents/Directive7620-3.pdf>**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

- b. Milk Quality – Dairy vs. Non Dairy Products

**Tim Flanagan – Motion: All products in the Dairy vs. Non Dairy section of the MQP Contest shall be products which can be purchased from a store without additional additives.**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

- c. Milk Quality – Smoked cheeses

**Tim Flanagan – Motion: In the MQP Contest, no smoked cheeses will be used in the state contest (**this will be noted in the contest rules with the State Cheese List**)**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

- d. Milk Quality – Soy Milk Classification
  - Mistake was made on the scoresheet.
  - No action required

- e. Entomology – Magnifying glasses

**Ray Pieniasek – Motion: For the Entomology Contest, contest provider provide a magnifying glass for each specimen.**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

- f. Clipboard monitors/rule following

- Need to increase communication with site providers about following the rules in regards to clipboards.
- Need to better communicate with monitors about their responsibilities.
- Need provide advance notice to providers on monitors.
- Comments from providers – there could stand to be less score monitors because the tabulations room gets too crowded
- Jim Harris to send an email statement regarding dress code monitors that they should be in dress code for the event.

- g. Keeping scoresheets

- All contest providers need to keep all scan sheets in the event that they need to be referenced due to an appeal.

**Ray Pieniasek – Motion: All site providers will keep scan sheets for 48 hours following the appeal deadline.**

- **Motion passed by general consent**

- h. Multiple teams for each event

- Food Science, is the only event that allows for multiple teams from a school to participate. The additional team members must be note which team they are on the scan sheet. Forestry is different, but that's because it is a part of the Woodlands Clinic.
- Staff will work with JudgingCard to ensure that only one team per school is allowed in appropriate events.

**Tim Flanagan – Motion: Food Tech, allow only one team per school to compete in the state event.**

- **Motion passed by general consent** (Ray Pieniasek was the only dissenting vote)

- i. Smart Watches

**Tim Flanagan - Motion: Amend GR #17 to include “Smart Watches and fitness trackers” to the list communication devices.**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

- j. Ag Comm – Scoring issues with video production

- The contest superintendent has been spoken with, and it is assured that the contest provider will work to avoid those issues in the future.

k. Vet Science

- Issues with parasite list, nothing can be done at this moment

**Motion: Remove sentence from Vet Science contest rule 4c(i) – regarding a rotation/table of veterinary skill demonstration.**

- **Motion passed by general consent**

l. Forestry – stakes in compass activities

- Need to use wood stakes because wire stakes effect the compass.
- Tricia will communicate with the providers.

m. Rules – violations of rules, but there are no consequences listed in the rules.

- May need to clarify repercussions for rule violations

n. Marketing Plan – Rules relating to starting presentation after technical issues

- Need to clarify rules
- Concerns about ranking teams that aren't in the finals

**Tim Flanagan - Motion: Amend Marketing Plan Rule III D. 3 to strike statement regarding equipment failure and insert “At the end of the allotted setup time, the team will be notified that the setup time has expired and their presentation time will begin.”**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

o. General Rule 11

- Language regarding when announced results are official.
- Leave areas to make those decisions for their own areas.

p. Dairy Cattle – Herd Record References

- No action needs to be taken at this time.

q. Meats – Primal Cut for the Country Style Ribs

- “Country Style Ribs” can be cut from multiple primal cuts.
- Listed under “various” on the National FFA list.
- No action at this time – leave it at “Loin”, and the team that qualifies for nationals needs to learn it a different way.

r. Tie-breakers

- Need a better way to break ties than a coin-toss
- Make it harder as a way to differentiate between individuals

**Announcement:**

- January 9<sup>th</sup> is the Tractor Tech Contest (TSTC)

**IV. Adjourn**

**Troy Oliver – Motion: Adjourn.**

- **Motion passed by voice vote**

Meeting adjourned at 2:09pm