SN FFA Alumni Meeting

11/19/24 SNHS Presiding: Janice Davenport

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Tori Whitley read the minutes from the previous meeting. Correction to the minutes (Daniel Boykin removed from *scholarship* not nominating). Voted to accept the minutes.

Tori gave the treasurer's report. As of this meeting, the account stands at \$16,512.96. Checks were made to the FFA chapter for reimbursements for official dress for the Blue Jacket Camp which totaled \$833.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: This committee met since last meeting and is proposing a new scholarship for \$1000 for students on the CTE or technical trade track for post secondary education. This scholarship will be named the "Trace Christman Memorial Scholarship". Robert Covington shared the changes and differences in this application from the university scholarship that the alumni already awards. The committee wants to use the same rubric and metrics but will score the two scholarship applications separately. They wanted to build in flexibility to the award to accommodate changes in available funds each year, so wording was added into the application to cover that. Apps are due March 1. Bryeligh Colbert asked how to obtain the application. It will be on the website for all students.

Stuart Parker made a motion to accept the proposal. Cantina Cary seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Covington reminded students that the committee is willing to come to the school to provide a scholarship workshop or to assist with applications any way they can.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Clay Whitley nominated Harriet Cook and Crystal Gowen to join the finance committee, Justin Daniel to join the scholarship committee, and Cameron Gowen to join the nominating committee. Stuart Parker moved to accept the nominations. Amy seconded. Motion passed. Gracie Gowen gave an update on chapter activities which included Ag Appreciation night, Trunk or Treat, Truck and Tractor contest, Dairy Day, and hurricane relief drive. 10 underclassmen and 2 state officers attended the Blue Jacket Camp. The Land Judging team placed 1st in the federation.

OLD BUSINESS

A total of 394 Butts were sold. 21 grills are secured. AgCarolina sent a \$500 donation and is sending volunteers to help. Brake requested that we tell our people to pick up by 5:00 to avoid football game traffic. Cameron Gowen proposed a large sign be made to point people in the direction of the pickup site. Cantina Cary reminded us we need 22 raw butts, 1 jug of rub, and pans for Strickland Bros.

We have 12 coolers secured. The waste/grease will be taken care of by the alumni using a barrel that is already at the school. Mr. Vandemark will help with removal and disposal. Amy Parker will purchase all remaining needed items (2 packs of big foil pans, 6 packs 36ct pans), 8 rolls foil, and paper towels).

The group discussed how to wrap the butts. The plan is to (1) wrap (2) cook (3) rewrap (4) place in pan and bag (5) place in cooler.

Grills need to be here by 6:00 am.

NEW BUSINESS

Advisors asked that we spread the word about the vendor fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Next meeting is January 28.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10.