

SN FFA Alumni Meeting

02/18/2025

SNHS

Presiding: Victoria Whitley

Call to Order: 6:32 pm

The February Meeting of the Southern Nash FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter was called to order by Mrs. Tori Whitley at 6:32 PM in the Media Center. 27 members and guests were present.

Gracie Gowen gave an update on chapter activities. She discussed Nathan Medlin joining the officer team. She gave an update on the Spring Blue Jacket Camp sponsored by Farm Credit with 5 candidates and graduates. She talked about previous competitions held and the placing of our chapter. Bryleigh Colbert gave an update on the Legislative Day held at the state capitol and discussed what she learned.

Tori Whitley read the minutes from the previous meeting. Crystal Gowen moved, Amy Parker seconded, to accept the minutes as read. Voted to accept the minutes.

Tori Whitley gave the treasurer's report. Money for the 2024 scholarship was distributed to the awardee (Hannah Mennig). The Alumni Chapter paid our National and State Dues (\$150). The website domain was also paid for. Amy Parker moved, Cameron Gowen seconded, to accept the financial report. Motion passes.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: The scholarship committee reminded students that applications are due on March 1. Both applications can be found on the website. Committed will be glad to provide support for applicants before the due date.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The nominating committee had no new reports.

OLD BUSINESS: Boston Butt revenue was discussed and the floor was opened to any discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Victoria Whitley asked for people to suggest improvements for the upcoming Boston Butt Sale. Pepper Manning suggested a larger sign to direct people who bought Butts. Justin Daniel suggested JackRabbit Signs. Mr. Gowen suggested 243 signs. Mr. Vandemark said that grease removal with our previous method worked well. Mr. Cameron Gowen gave an overview of what we do for the Boston Butt sale and reminded everyone that we still need grills. The sale will be the Thursday before Easter. Mr. Vandemark suggested the students cut aluminum foil to size and prepare bags the week leading up to the day of the sale so that everything is ready. Pepper Manning asked if the students still need to bring in the paper form. Mrs. Brake said yes. A question arose regarding price-- it will remain at \$40. Mr. Vandemark asked if we would be capping the sale. We will try to remain under 375 butts. Mrs. Brake suggested emailing members periodically with an update on butts sold.

Mrs. Manning suggested that concessions at the Blue and Gold Livestock show stay open until closer to the end in order to make more revenue. Mrs. Parker suggested that we try to find connections with Howling Cow and Bass Farms to hopefully get items donated for concessions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations were given to Mrs. Jessica Manning, our school's First Year Teacher of the Year. The Federation Contest was scheduled for this Thursday but cancelled due to inclement weather. The next Alumni meeting will be March 18th. The NC FFA Alumni Meeting will be April 26th. Mr. Covington may be in attendance. Mrs. Brake encouraged more Alumni Members to attend. The Blue and Gold Livestock Show will be held on March 22nd at the Animal Facility. The Blue and Gold Banquet will be held on May 1st at 6pm in the SNHS Gym. Tori Whitley reminded everyone that you can sponsor a child by joining and volunteering with the alumni.

Mrs. Parker moved, Pepper Manning seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:14.