

Utopia - November Chapter Meeting

Agenda

Date/Time: **Wednesday, November 2, 2022 6:15 PM**

Location: **Cafeteria**

Presiding Officer: **Hallie Moore**

Call to Order / Opening Ceremony

President: "The meeting room will come to order. We are now holding a meeting of the Utopia FFA Chapter. Mdm. Vice President, are all officers at their stations?"

Vice President: *(Rising and facing the president)* "I shall call the roll of officers, determine if they are at their stations and report back to you, Mdm. President."

Vice President: *(Calling roll of officers)* "The sentinel."

Sentinel: "Stationed by the door."

Vice President: "Your duties there?"

Sentinel: "Through this door pass many friends of the FFA. It is my duty to see that the door is open to our friends at all times and that they are welcome. I care for the meeting room and paraphernalia. I strive to keep the room comfortable and assist the president in maintaining order."

Vice President: "The reporter."

Reporter: "The reporter is stationed by the flag."

Vice President: "Why by the flag?"

Reporter: "As the flag covers the United States of America, so I strive to inform the people in order that every man, woman and child may know that the FFA is a national organization that reaches from the state of Alaska to the Virgin Islands and from the state of Maine to Hawaii."

Vice President: "The treasurer."

Treasurer: "Stationed at the emblem of Washington."

Vice President: "Your duties there?"

Treasurer: "I keep a record of receipts and disbursements just as Washington kept his farm accounts—carefully and accurately. I encourage thrift among the members and strive to build up our financial standing through savings and investments. George Washington was better able to serve his country because he was financially independent."

Vice President: "The secretary."

Secretary: "Stationed by the ear of corn."

Vice President: "Your duties there?"

Secretary: "I keep an accurate record of all meetings and correspond with other secretaries wherever corn is grown and FFA members meet."

Vice President: "The advisor."

Advisor: "Here by the owl."

Vice President: "Why stationed by the owl?"

Advisor: "The owl is a time-honored emblem of knowledge and wisdom. Being older than the rest of you, I am asked to advise you from time to time, as the need arises. I hope that my advice will always be based on true knowledge and ripened

with wisdom. Mdm. Vice President, why do you keep a plow at your station?"

Vice President: "The plow is the symbol of labor and tillage of the soil. Without labor, neither knowledge nor wisdom can accomplish much. My duties require me to assist at all times in directing the work of our organization. I preside over meetings in the absence of our president, whose place is beneath the rising sun."

Advisor: "Why is the president so stationed?"

Vice President: "The rising sun is the token of a new era in agriculture. If we will follow the leadership of our president, we shall be led out of the darkness of selfishness and into the glorious sunlight of brotherhood and cooperation. Mr./Mdm. President, all officers are at their stations."

President: *(Rises and faces the vice president)* "Thank you, Mdm. Vice President." (All take seats at tap of gavel.) "The secretary will call the roll of members."

Secretary: "There are numerous members and guests present, Mdm. President."

President: "Thank you. FFA members, why are we here?" *(All members stand at three taps of gavel.)*

All members in unison: "To practice brotherhood, honor agricultural opportunities and responsibilities and develop those qualities of leadership which an FFA member should possess." *(All are seated at one tap of gavel.)*

President: "May we accomplish our purposes. I now declare this meeting of the Utopia FFA Chapter duly open for the transaction of business, or attention to any matters which may properly be presented."

All return to your station markers up front

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Hallie: We will now have the secretary's report

Minutes of the Regular Meeting - Utopia FFA Chapter - October 12th, 2022

The meeting is called to order at 6:15 by Hallie Moore at the cafeteria. There were 23 members and 0 guests present. Previous meeting minutes were approved.

Cora Dean gave the Treasurer's Report as follows -

Balance on hand at the beginning of the reporting period: \$1,839.63

Receipts (money that came in): \$2,3330.00

Disbursements (money that went out): \$1,003.00

Balance on hand at the end of the reporting period: \$3,166.63

Chloe M gave the prayer. Cooper reminded everyone that the Seitz Fundraiser was ending and that all money was due to the ag teachers on 10/14/2022. Chloe Chamness gave the LDE updates, Brayden announced the new validation date for goats and sheep, and gave livestock show updates, Cora did a recap on the Ladies of Tradition community service event. We also had our Halloween costume contest. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52PM.

Signed, **Brayden Long**, Secretary

Hallie: Are there corrections or additions to the minutes? (pause briefly) If not, they stand approved as read" (one tap of the gavel) sign report

Officer Reports

Hallie: We will now have the treasurer's report

TREASURE'S REPORT - Cora

Treasurer's Report November 2nd, 2022

Beginning balance: \$3,166.63

Total receipts: \$9,878.50

Total Disbursements: \$1,830.00

Present Balance as of Oct. 12th: \$11,215.13

Signed: **Cora Dean**, Treasurer

Hallie: This report is for informational purposes only and will be referred to the auditing committee. A copy of the report will be filed with the auditing committee and with the secretary for their information"

Standing and Special Committee Reports

Hallie: Do we have any committee reports?

Bailey: With our Leadership Development Event season underway, the leadership committee, consisting of myself and the LDE team members, has been working hard to grow our leadership qualities. We have had great success so far this season! We can't wait to see what happens at the district contest.

Orders of the Day

Chloe M:

Father, we thank you for your abundant mercy and grace toward us. We honor you this day as we gather together in a family full of gratitude. We thank you for this meal and the hands that prepared it. We thank you for your bountiful provisions.

Program of Activities Reports

Cooper: Seitz Fundraiser

This past month, Utopia FFA held a very successful fundraiser through Seitz Fundraising! Our chapter was able to raise almost \$5,000 for the chapter. All of this money will go back to the members for registration fees, contest fees, travel, awards and our banquet at the end of the year. All fundraiser prizes will be handed out at the next chapter meeting held on Wednesday, December 14th, 2022. That will also be when the giftcard is raffled off, so we encourage everyone to attend!

Chloe Chamness: LDE Updates

Members, we have been competing in events for over a month now! That is so hard to believe! Here are the results for some of the contests so far.

Crockett FFA Virtual Contest:

Greenhand Creed Speaking - Max Feller- 3rd place

Greenhand Spanish Creed Speaking - Rodrigo Rios- 4th place

Greenhand Quiz - Max Feller, Rodrigo Rios, Alexis Long, Riley Nunn, Cheyanne Westbrook, Augustus Black- 2nd place

Senior Quiz - Cora Dean, Hallie Moore, Brayden Long, Chloe Matocha, Addison Burgin and Kinsley Cox- 6th place

Kernes FFA Virtual Contest:

Radio Broadcasting - 1st place

Greenhand Quiz - 3rd place

Senior Quiz - 10th place

Jacksonville FFA Virtual Quiz Contest:

Greenhand Quiz - 3rd place, Alexis Long 5th place high individual

Senior Quiz - 10th place

Angelo State University LDE Invitational:

Greenhand Quiz - 4th place, Rodrigo Rios 3rd place high individual

Greenhand Creed Speaking - 3rd place

Senior Quiz - 12th place

Palo Alto College LDE Invitational:

Greenhand Quiz - 5th place

Greenhand Spanish Creed Speaking - 3rd place

Senior Quiz - 9th place

We will complete at Tarleton State University tomorrow for our last contest before district on November 9th! We wish all teams competing the best of luck! Remember, you must pass the six weeks in order to be eligible to compete in the district contest!

Brayden: Livestock Show Updates

Validation for swine will be held at Uvalde High School at 8:00AM on November 12th, 2022. Remember, all entry fees must be paid online prior to the validation date. A parent must also sign up to work a section in the concession stand as well. Listen up AG MECH EXHIBITORS. You must bring you \$10 entry fee and social security number to Mr. Dalrymple by NOVEMBER 17th, 2022 for the entry deadline. Failure to do so will result in not being entered for the county Ag Mech show. Entries for salsa, baking, angora goats, and photography are all due online by December 1st, 2022. FFA Members must attend a total of 3 meetings prior to the Stock show. Horse entries are due by the first Monday of December.

Cora: Chapter T-shirts

We are now taking orders for the 2022-2023 Utopia FFA chapter t-shirts. These shirts come in youth and adult sizes. They are only \$20! Consider buying one today! Order forms can be found on the tables around the room. All order forms and payment are due by November 11th to an ag teacher.

Hallie: December FFA Meeting

Our next chapter meeting will be held on December 14th, 2022 at 6:15 P.M. in the school cafeteria. This will be a white elephant and ugly christmas sweater meeting! Please wear an ugly christmas sweater and bring a small gift, \$15 or less, to participate in the white elephant gift exchange. We highly encourage everyone to attend! Parents and siblings are welcome to join! This will be the last meeting of the 2022 year!

Adjourn / Closing Ceremony

President: "Mr. Secretary, do you have a record of any further business which should now be transacted?"

Secretary: *(Rises, replies and is seated.)* "I have none, Mdm. President."

President: "Does any member know of any new or unfinished business which should properly come before this meeting? *(If no answer, proceed as follows.)*

"We are about to adjourn this meeting of the Utopia FFA Chapter. As we mingle with others, let us be diligent in labor, just in our dealings, courteous to everyone and, above all, honest and fair in the game of life. Fellow members and guests, join me in a salute to our flag."

(Tap three times with gavel to call members to stand, face the flag at the reporter's station and, with their right hands over their hearts, repeat the following salute.)

All in unison: "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

President: "I now declare this meeting adjourned." *(Tap once with gavel and the meeting is adjourned.)*

Entertainment, Recreation, and Refreshments

Hallie:

Please help yourself to the pot luck dinner in the back of the room! Let's all sit together and eat a meal as a chapter!