



# DeWitt Central FFA

## Meeting Minutes: May

**Opening Ceremonies:** The monthly meeting of the DeWitt Central FFA Chapter was held in the high school ag room on Monday, May 8th. The meeting was called to order by Katlin Truelsen at 5:10 pm.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** Read by Adam Wilke. The minutes were approved by Carter Taylor and seconded by Taylor Houser.

### Officer Reports:

**Treasurer's Report:** Given by Rachel Clark. No activity fund report in April, but we had \$36,702.08 in the activity fund for March. In the alumni account we have \$18,551.24, which has increased by \$3,757.29. This gives us a total of \$55,253.32 in all accounts. This report was approved by Fayeth Henningsen and seconded by Avery Heilig.

**Reporter's Report:** Given by Hannah Grantz. Katlin wrote an article on state convention and Hannah is writing an article about the chapter banquet. She has also logged in to all of the chapter's social media accounts and is planning to start making posts soon. This report was approved by Avery Heilig and seconded by Hattie Rickertsen.

**Special Features:** N/A

### Unfinished Business:

**Farmers Market:** Farmers Market starts on May 18th and will be every Thursday during the summer. You can get a free booth to sell your SAE project if you are in FFA. Mrs. Grantz needs to know if you are selling so talk to her if you plan on selling anything during the summer. You can also talk to the Housers if you have any questions.

**YQCA Training:** If you are showing FFA at country or state fair, you need to take YQCA training. Get this done by May 15th. This can be taken online at [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) and is \$12. Email the

certificate you earn at the end to Mrs. Grantz so she can enter it. June 22 is county and state fair entry day. It will be from 10-12 in the morning in the ag room. You MUST be there if you are showing FFA at state fair. Contact Mrs. Grantz for more information.

**Fruit Sales Reward Party/River Bandits Game:** This will be on May 9th. Be in the ag room by 5:15. If you sold more than \$250 worth of fruit, you get in free. You can pay \$2 if you didn't sell more than \$250. Bring extra money for rides and/or extra food.

**State Fair Usher:** If you want to help out at state fair, you can apply to be an usher. Mrs. Grantz sent out a form for you to fill out if you are interested. You will be serving the whole time, which is August 10th through the 22nd. Make sure you tell Mrs. Grantz so she can send in an advisor approval form. You will make sure that concert goers are following rules and will help people find their seats. You get free room and board, but should bring extra money. This can help with your state degree as it is a non-local event. Talk to Makenzie Nations or Mrs. Grantz for more information.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Crops Committee:** They did a soil sample and have talked to Liqui-Grow. They plan to start planting soon.

**Ag Trailer:** They have multiple things coming up soon. First, the housers are taking the trailer to Davenport schools to teach preschoolers about dairy production. If you want to go with the Housers to Davenport, talk to Wyatt or Taylor Houser. Second, they have a meeting on Friday during quest where they will be working on a corn unit and discussing future plans. Request Mrs. Grantz if you want to attend. Contact Katlin Truelsen or Mrs. Grantz for more information.

## **New Business:**

**National Band/Choir:** Applications must be turned in before June 17th. This requires a written application and a video of you performing as well as \$40. You also need to get approval from your band or choir director. You will arrive a week early to practice and stay with other band and choir members in a hotel. You will perform during National Convention and must stay the whole time. Contact Adam Wilke or Mrs. Grantz for more information

**Bacon Buddies:** If you are showing pigs at the county fair, this would be a great experience for you. You will help someone with special needs show a pig. You will teach them about pigs and how to show them, and assist them in showing the pig. You must register by June 15th and will

meet your buddy on Friday July 21st. Wear showing clothes and the Bacon Buddies t-shirt they give you. This is a great way to support your community. Contact Mrs. Grantz for more information.

**Surveys:** The officer team has sent out a survey to help us determine what we should do for activities at meetings next year. Please fill it out so we can make sure we are choosing fun activities for everyone. If you have questions, contact Wyatt Houser.

**Asparagus Patch:** The asparagus patch currently needs to be picked. This is a great SAE opportunity for anyone who doesn't have one. You will need to pick it almost everyday in May and early June. You can then help the chapter sell them at the farmers market, and they will share some of the money with you! Avery Heilig and Kamryn Keester are already interested, so if you want to help, contact them and Mrs. Grantz.

## **Announcements:**

**Next Chapter Meeting:** TBD

**Announcements:** Make sure you check your email during the summer for any updates or opportunities.

**Closing Ceremonies:** The meeting was adjourned by the Officer Team.

**Entertainment, Recreation and or Refreshments:** Taco in a bag and oreo fluff provided by Henningsen's, watched The Benchwarmers in the ag shop.