



## **SkillsUSA Kansas Foundation Board of Directors Meeting November 6, 2015**

Meeting called to order by Roy Schafer: 10:00 am

**Roll Call:** Becky Warren presented roll call. A quorum was established with 11 voting members present: Eric Tincher, Kent Thomas, Denver Mishler, Rod Murphy, Diane Steadham, Beth Conrad, Deb Hargrove, Gary Pommier, David Praiswater, Steve Polley, Roy Schafer. Non-voting members present: Becky Warren, Lucas Springer, Bruce Fritz, Janet Hamilton, Kelli Byrne.

**Approval of Agenda:** State Director Becky Warren request to add Dress Code to the agenda. Action was accepted.

**Approval of Minutes:** July 29, 2015 minutes were presented for approval. Eric Tincher moved to accept the minutes, Steve Polley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Introduction of New Board Members:** Becky Warren introduced the two newly elected board members, Deb Hargrove from Winfield High School and Steve Polley from Pittsburg State University. Both will serve as educational representatives.

**Passing of the Gavel:** President Roy Schafer presented the gavel to the President Elect, Beth Conrad. Beth Conrad accepted the gavel and will serve as President of the Board for one year.

### **2015-2016 Election of board positions:**

Deb Hargrove moved to elect David Praiswater as President Elect. Gary Pommier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gary Pommier moved to elect Deb Hargrove as Secretary. Denver Mishler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Election for Treasurer was completed in July 2015. Rod Murphy was elected to serve 1 ½ years.

Rod Murphy, Treasurer, was appointed to chair the Finance Committee  
Roy Schafer, Past President, was appointed to chair the Governance Committee  
David Praiswater, President Elect, was appointed to chair the Program Committee

Gary Pommier moved to keep the committee members as currently assigned with the exception of moving Peggy Torrens to the Program Committee. Denver Mishler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Roy asked that the committee list be sent to all of the Board members.

**Committee Reviews:** President Beth Conrad dismissed committees to review the materials provided for Finance, Governance, and Programs at 10:00 am. Committees reconvened at 11:45 am



**Introduction of New State Officer Team:** Becky Warren had the newly elected State Officer team introduce themselves to the Board members. Lucas Springer, newly elected National Officer spoke briefly and thanked the Board for all of their support of him and the students involved in SkillsUSA Kansas.

### **Lunch Break**

**Finance Committee Report:** Rod Murphy reported finances in good standing. Question looking at future site of Fall Leadership Conference plus total pricing. (160 attendees at 4 meals plus location of camp). Suggested looking at moving to 1 day conference. Opening Savings Account, Endowment Account, and Scholarship Account was not discussed.

**Governance Committee Report:** Roy Shafer presented two proposals and some revisions accepted by his committee, to be voted on by the Board.

Proposal #1: Revise SC District Constitution Article III, Section 3 to read as, “South Central District shall be defined as follows: Kansas Schools in the following Counties: Barber; Cowley; Harper; Harvey; Kingman; Pratt; Reno; Stafford; and Summer.

Revise Wichita District Constitution Article III, Section 3 to read as, “Wichita District shall be defined as follows: Kansas schools in the following Counties: Butler and Sedgwick.

Gary Pommier moved to accept the proposal. Rod Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried with 10 votes in favor and 1 oppose.

Proposal #2: Defining District Borders from highway markings to county boundaries.

State Constitution: Article III, Section 4

All District Constitutions: Article III, Section 3

Gary Pommier moved to accept the proposal. Steve Polley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

These two proposals will be presented to the Kansas delegation at the State Conference in April for final vote.

Revise Kansas By-Laws Section 11: 3 second paragraph. Bold and underline the word, “may”.

Newly developed job descriptions for the Board President and the Board of Directors were completed and submitted outlining the duties of each office. Denver Mishler moved to accept the descriptions. Gary Pommier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Program Review Report:** David Praiswater reported program review in good standing. The committee requested chapters continue to be awarded for 100% participation or similar award. David Praiswater moved to have Kansas continue the National guidelines for giving 100% participation for Kansas Advisors. Discussion was held. Deb Hargrove seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Gary Pommier moved to table the motion until the next Board meeting in March. Steve Polley seconded the motion. David Praiswater withdrew his original motion. Gary’s motion carried.

Beth Conrad suggests the board send the State Director ideas and suggestions.



**Conference/Workshop Reviews:**

The State Director shared survey's conducted for the 2015 Advisor Workshop and the Fall Leadership Conference. These surveys will be utilized as we begin planning the 2016 activities.

The State Director also shared the 2016 Kansas State Conference updates. Still looking for new chairs and confirming locations for each contest. A draft handout was distributed to the board to review locations of contests. Becky asked for feedback from the Board regarding students/chapters running booths as fundraisers during the Student Social Hour, similar to Mid-America. Discussion was held. Becky will check with the Atrium regarding the move of the Student Social hour to Tuesday evening.

David Praiswater asked if the paper/Scantron testing could be moved to Monday.

The State Director reported there was a concern about the SkillsUSA Championships dress code, that it was too strict. The board discussed the issue and presented many ideas to offset those that don't meet the requirement. Most were in agreement that an awards ceremony is an honor and dressing for the occasion should be expected. Advisors from each school should announce the dress code expectations and follow through, double checking to make sure students are prepared.

New potential contests were handed out to Rod Murphy and Bruce Fritz for review. Bruce Fritz will check on the Automotive Refinishing/Collision Repair chair for confirmation.

Becky would like to assign Dwayne Hale to fill the empty Alumni position on the Board, the Board agreed.

No other business was brought before the board.  
Meeting adjourned at 2:56 pm.

Minutes recorded by Deb Hargrove, Secretary.