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**Annual Meeting Notes  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018  
Harrisburg, PA**

1. Meeting was called to order by President David Gillman at 4:02 pm at the Hilton Harrisburg, PA. There were no additions or changes to the agenda.
2. Tom Ackerman moved to approve the minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting, Second by Jay Olson, passed unanimously.
3. The treasurer's report was given by Myron Oftendahl. Total assets are down to \$33,318.86 from \$40,013.74 last year. Our treasurer does manage two checkbooks, the account for NFRBMEA and the Conference Checkbook. After reviewing the income statement, the largest reason for the asset decrease is dues and conference revenue. There was a small increase in expenses, but our budget discrepancies were mostly income related.
  - a. Motion by Ira Beckman, Second by Brad Sirianni to accept the treasurer's report, passed unanimously.
  - b. Motion by Wayne Pike, Second by Barry Kurtz to approve the 2018-2019 budget, passed unanimously. The biggest unknown will be the conference revenue. With the conference in the Midwest, and with extension participating, it is typically a much larger conference with more revenue.
4. Roll call of states: written reports were submitted by OH, PA, ND, MN, SD, UT, OK, WI and MO. Brief Oral reports were given from MN, UT, WI, SD, PA, OH.
5. Communication Director Report: 61 regular, 5 affiliate membership during 2017-18. No dunning letters were mailed this year, but we will send another one this summer. Membership applications are on the website, are Deb appreciates articles for Nuts and Bolts.
6. President David Gillman annual report: If anyone has pictures of tours please email to Deb, the report is available electronically
7. Conference Sponsorship: Tina Lebrun: We had \$7000 in conference sponsorships this year. There were 6 or 7 people who were interested in the first timer scholarship, but we did not have funds for the first timer scholarship. Are there institutions who would come to the table and be a part of the scholarship program? It can be a scholarship for someone local. We also need more local sponsorships for the conference as well.



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8. National Council for Agricultural Education: A written report was submitted by Lori Tonak, Mark Peschel, CEO of Council, wants to get it back to ag education not just FFA. He's asking every group to bring 3 people to Lexington, KY in the fall about what the council can do for our organization. Keith Olander and Brad Schlessor from MN were recommended as potential candidates for the meeting because they are familiar with all of post secondary ag education. We need to have a written, organized plan for the meeting. Youth pipeline development, federal benchmarking grant, ideas should be emailed to Lori and she will be the clearinghouse. David Gillman moved to allow the board to make the decision about sending people, Ira seconded, motion passed.
9. 2018 conference report: 80 registrants, 25 from NFRBMEA and 55 from NAFBAS. We hope to have more timely information for the 2019 conference.
10. 2019 conference report: Brad is asking for input for the 2019 conference. What did you like and dislike from 2018? The group is already working on speakers, workshops and sponsorships. The goal is to have everything done by November. Printed agenda for each day.
11. 2020 conference: Up for discussion. Ideas will be accepted.
12. Officer nominations by David Gillman: Secretary Betsy Jensen, Treasurer Myron Oftedahl, President Elect Pauline VanNurden, Brad Sirianni moved to accept nomination, second by Jay Olson, unanimous ballot passed.
13. Distinguished Service Awards- Friend were awarded to Sarah Cornelisse and Maria Graziani. Distinguished Service Awards were presented to Josh Tjosaas, Miguel Saviroff and Barry Kurtz. Retiring officer David Gillman was thanked for his service.
14. Move to adjourn by Tom Ackerman, second by Barry Kurtz, meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.