

**Minutes**

VATAT Teacher's Conference Area I

**Tuesday, July 27, 2021**

American Bank Center ~ Henry Garrett Ballroom D ~ Corpus Christi, Texas

11 am to 1:30 pm

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| 1. Call to Order at 11:05 am  | Jim Cooper                  |
| 2. Prayer   | Fud Robertson               |
| 3. Teacher introductions & Mentor program (new, returning, retiring, etc.)      | By district                 |
| 4. <a href="#">Teacher's Directory</a> , <a href="#">calendar</a> , roster info | Alan Been                   |
| 5. Treasurer's Report (emailed out previously)                                  | Alan Been                   |
| 6. University representatives & others  | As they arrive              |
| a. VATAT Credit Union - Steve Forsythe  |                             |
| b. Dr. Rudy Ritz, Dr. John Rayfield -Texas Tech                                 |                             |
| c. Dr. Nate Wolf - WTAMU  |                             |
| d. Scotta Knight - Fresh Country  |                             |
| e. Les Hudson - TEA CTE   |                             |
| 7. Calf Scramble  | Laci Vogel                  |
| 8. Area Officer Report - 5 delegates to NC                                      | Kevin Meek                  |
| 9. Area Officer Election Committee Report - recc Tommy Meek cord.               | Aaron Bednarz               |
| 10. State Officer Travel  | Shane Miller                |
| 11. Area LDE Contest  | WTAMU                       |
| 12. Area CDE Contests   | Jim Cooper                  |
| 13. Area Convention   | Laci Vogel                  |
| 14. Area Speaking Contests - improve entry process                              | Kevin Kelley                |
| 15. State Degree Check Info - LS all in   | Roger Green                 |
| 16. Area Electric Camp - change classes   | Jay Newton                  |
| 17. Area Leadership Conference, Greenhand LC - Riverstar sponsor                | Kevin Meek                  |
| 18. State Convention - state wants feedback                                     | Grady McAlister/Austin Heck |
| 19. Election of Committee assignments   |                             |

State Committee Assignments	Member 2021-22	Alternate	Nominations
These committees are re-elected every year to represent our area this week and for the coming year. Advisors should present any concerns or information they would like taken to meeting to one or both of these members.	Both members should attend meeting held this week during conference, but only one will vote.	Please report events of the committee electronically to Area Coordinator.	<del>Strikethrough</del> =not nominated or stepped down, not elected <b>Bold = elected</b>
State LDE	<b>Aaron Bednarz</b>	<del>Jeff Klöse</del>	<b>Austin Heck</b>
State CDE	<b>Meredith Coutts</b>	<b>Adam Westbrook</b>	
Livestock Show (Livestock/Animal)	<b>Michael Collins</b>	<b>Will Edwards**</b>	*Adam Westbrook
Livestock Show (Competitive Events)	<b>Austin Heck</b>	<b>Shane Sherrill</b>	
Livestock Show (Ag Mechanics)	<b>Jay Newton</b>	<b>Kyle Bates</b>	<del>Chase Fulton, Dalton Howard</del>
State Ag Mechanics CDE	<del>David Howell</del>	<b>Robby Bow</b>	<b>Dalton Howard</b>
State Scholarship (also Area Chairmen)	<b>Drew Taylor</b>	<b>Danny Underwood</b>	
State Awards & Degree Check	<b>Roger Green</b>	<b>Andrew Hokanson</b>	
Horticulture/Floriculture CDE	<b>Kristie Keys</b>	<del>Lisa Skinner</del>	<b>Kamry Cribbs</b>
Wildlife CDE (WAY)	<b>Brent McFarland</b>	<b>Tonny Hamby</b>	
State FFA Rodeo	<del>Gody Jo Bonds</del>	<b>Sid Morris</b>	<b>Coral Merlo</b>
Leadership Development Coordinator	<b>Kevin Meek</b>		
Ag Science Fair	<b>Olivia Schniers</b>	<b>Angie Snapp</b>	
Speaking Events		<b>Sid Morris</b>	<b>Blake Vineyard Meredith Gouts</b>

			Michael Collins
State Tractor Tech CDE	<b>Timberley Mercer</b>	<b>Robby Bow</b>	
State FFA Officer Selection Coordinator	<b>Jeff Klose</b>		<b>Blake Vineyard</b>
SAE Task Force Commission	<b>Jarad Flores</b>		
Area SAE-Based Award Chair/Coordinator	<b>Andrew Hokanson</b>		
Area ACT (Ag Consortium) Liaison	<b>Jim Cooper</b>		

\*Nominated after Michael was elected as an officer for the major livestock show advisory committee. It is an 8 year commitment. \*\*Michael requested that Will be moved up to voting delegate, Will is also the sheep chairman. Michael also nominated Adam Westbrook for that position.

<b>Area Committee Assignments</b>	<b>Members</b>
These committees are re-elected every year to assist with different functions at the area and state level.	If an advisor would like to step down or volunteer, please indicate to area coordinator. Suggestions for improvement are always welcome.
<b>State CDE Representatives</b> (4 state CDE contests – A&M, Tech, Tarleton, SHSU) These members would be present in the tabulation rooms. If any of these advisors will not be at one of the contests, they will appoint an appropriate person to take their place.	Fud Robertson Kevin Kelley Rob Hawkins Will Edwards
Area - Texas Tech CDE Committee	Rob Hawkins, Casey Jones
Area Wildlife, Range & Pasture CDE	Fud Robertson
Area Dairy Cattle	Becca McEndree
Vet Tech CDE	Kelsea Jones, Angie Snapp, Jarad Florez
Area Floriculture CDE	Matthew Huston, Kristi Keys
Area - Tarleton (Ag Sales, Land, Homesite)	Seth Durham, Austin Heck, Kyle Bates
State FFA Convention Awards	Brandon Bowman
State FFA Courtesy Corps	Andrew Hokanson - Chairman
	District Officer Advisors or volunteers
State FFA Convention Registration	Advisors of Area I, district officers & State Officers or volunteers
State FFA Convention Awards Seating	Austin Heck
State FFA Convention Candidates	Sean Hightower
State FFA Convention Balloting	Michael Collins
State FFA Convention Guests Receiving	Jay Newton
State Talent	Cody Jo Bonds
Young Farmer Coordinator	

20. **Proposed Rule Changes**

*“Proposed amendments to the policies in this directory must be submitted in writing to the area coordinator by 10:00 am on the Saturday of the Area Convention. The area coordinator shall then notify all chapters in the area at least 10 days prior to the Area Leadership Conference. The proposals will be discussed at the Area Leadership Conference in June at Clarendon College. Amendments may be adopted by a majority vote that will be voted upon at the Annual Ag Teacher’s Conference.”*

[See proposals for 2021-22 here](#)

21. **VATAT Board Members:** Aaron Bednarz, Sid Morris, Michael Collins, Shane Miller, Jay Newton

- Tenure Awards –Workshops and events this week
- Dues & other VATAT Board Information
- Elections

22. Any other business to be discussed

23. Area Coordinator Retirement

24. 2021-22 Area Officer Elections

<b>Officer Assignment</b>	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>Nominations for position</b>
Area Coordinator	Laci Vogel	
Area Vice-Coordinator	Shane Miller	
Area Treasurer	Alan Been	
Area Secretary Nomination		<b>Cody Joe Bonds, Meredith Gouts</b>

Area Executive Secretary	Chandra Corse	
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25. Raffle drawing - Winner - \$400 Austin Heck, \$200 - John Attebery
  26. Adjourn (no area meeting on Friday) - 1:40 pm
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District Meetings

- a. Officer elections
- b. District Dues
- c. District Dates (fall meeting, district LDE, district banquet, degree check, spring meeting, any other district events)
- d. Area Scholarship Representative (need 2)
- e. Nominating Committee Member (need 1 and an alternate)
- f. Degree Check Chairman (need 1)

**These minutes are approved by the Area I FFA Executive Committee July 21, 2021**

Area Coordinator - Laci Vogel - Roosevelt

Area Vice- Coordinator - Shane Miller - Panhandle

Area Secretary - Cody Joe Bonds - Wildorado

Area Treasurer - Alan Been - Springlake-Earth

Retiring Area Coordinator - Jim Cooper - Motley County

Area Executive Secretary - Chandra Corse - [area1ffa@gmail.com](mailto:area1ffa@gmail.com)