



Delegate Business Session – 97th Minnesota FFA State Convention

The yearly delegate business session of the Minnesota FFA Association was held on April 20, 2026, at 8:23 am. The Minnesota State FFA President, Cameron Addington, being the chair and Minnesota State FFA Secretary, Dessa Tarning, was taking minutes. Kevin Dahlman was present as the Parliamentarian for the 2026 Delegate Business Session. The minutes from the last session were approved as written.

Roll Call was taken by the secretary. There were 236 delegates present representing 128 chapters.

The Minnesota FFA Degree list with 377 candidates was approved unanimously.

Ella Lahr from the ROCORI FFA Chapter moved to “move the chapters listed that are not in good standing, into not good standing.” The motion was seconded and passed.

Ella Carol from the Grand Rapids FFA Chapter moved to “approve the chapter charters.” The motion was seconded and passed.

Six different committee discussion groups were discussed at the 2026 Delegate Business Session. The committees and their chairs, along with their secretaries are as follows:

1. Delegate Input on Return to Three-Day State Convention

Chair: Haleigh Reiland

Secretary: Kelcie Kuschel

2. AET Support for Chapters

Chair: Olivia Majeski



Secretary: Clara Pagel

3. Officer Candidate Preparation Resources

Chair: Elsa Swenson

Secretary: _____

4. Bridging the Gap Between Traditional & Non-Traditional Agriculture Students

Chair: Bianca Forsberg

Secretary: Ally Hanson

5. Connecting Modern Agriculture with FFA

Chair: Joshua Honken

Secretary: Ella Lahr

6. Chapter Level Awareness of National FFA Branding Guidelines & Toolkit

Chair: Rebecca Posch

Secretary: Surabi Velez, Belgrade Brooten Elrosa

Recommendations were made by each committee and sent to the Minnesota FFA State Board of Directors for further discussion and implementation.

The first constitutional amendment proposal put to the floor was the motion to “adopt the proposed amendment by the Kerkhoven Murdock Sunberg FFA Chapter to the Minnesota FFA Constitution” was put to the floor and voted on. 188 members voted in the positive, 2 voted in the negative, the proposed constitutional amendment was passed. This amendment regards to Article VI, Section E of the constitution.



The second constitutional amendment proposal put to the floor was the motion to “adopt the proposed amendment by the Hayfield FFA Chapter to the Minnesota FFA Constitution.” A multitude of debates occurred in favor and against the proposed amendment. Rebecca Posch asked a request of information, the question asked was “if the amendment passes will it change the word Association on the back of region president jackets?” President Addington answered the question by stating that “the word Association will not be on region president jackets if the motion is passed.” When moved to a vote, 147 members voted in favor, 81 voted against. The motion failed due to lack of a 2/3rds vote. This amendment is in regards to Article IX, “Officers” and correlates around language on state officers and regional presidents.

The third constitutional amendment proposal put to the floor was the motion to “adopt the proposed amendment by the Hayfield FFA Chapter to the Minnesota FFA Constitution.” Debate occurred strongly on both sides. When put to a vote, the vote resulted in 212 members in the positive, 20 in the negative. The amendment passed. This amendment regards to section XI, “Procedure for Electing State Officers.”

The 2026 Delegate Business Session adjourned at 10:40am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dessa Terning

Minnesota FFA State Secretary