

2010-2011 and 2011-2012 STATE OFFICER ELECTIONS

PROPOSED CHANGE #2

ARTICLE VI

Procedure for Electing State Officers

~~Section 1. State Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the designated voting delegates at the district leadership meeting. One state officer shall be elected from each district. If a state officer is unable to serve, the runner-up will be declared elected. If the runner-up is unable to serve, the state president, in consultation with the state advisor, may appoint a member in good standing from the appropriate district to fill the vacancy.~~

**The 2008-2009 North Dakota State Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America's Executive Council proposes to disband Section 1 of Article VI Procedure for Electing State Officers for TWO years for the school year 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 in order that the following election procedure is tested:

1. Each local chapter may run one state officer candidate.
2. State Officer applications will be due to the State Advisor no later than January 31, 2010.
3. Each officer candidate will participate in a formal interview at the 2010 State Leadership Meeting by a selected interview committee. S/he will give a 3 minute speech on a topic chosen by the State Advisor and participate in a question and answer period chaired by the State Advisor. The interview will count for 25% of the total score. This interview will take place on the first evening of the State Leadership Meeting.
4. The interview committee will consist of:
 - a. One chapter member representative from each district. The chapter represented in this interview process will rotate every year.
 - b. 5 adults from business and industry will be chosen by the State Advisor.
 - c. The Co-State FCCLA Adviser if available.
 - d. The State FCCLA Adviser.
5. Each officer candidate will participate in a district meeting session held during the State Leadership Meeting. They will give the same 3 minute speech as the previous interview session. They will be asked one fact question and one situation question. Interviewing will be conducted by the District's current president and state officer representative. This interview will take place on the first morning of the State Leadership Meeting.
6. Following the district meeting session, voting delegates will participate in the voting process. The voting process will count for 75% of the total score. Each district will vote ONLY on the candidates for state officer representing their district. Each district will still have one state officer on the State Executive Council.
7. Candidates will be notified by an official letter of the results of the election. Incoming officer-candidates will meet immediately following the announcement of the election results to begin their training.

- 8. Candidates will determine their elected positions within their group. Current State Officers and District Presidents will be a part of this process.**
- 9. Incoming State Officers and their titles will be announced during the formal installation of officer ceremony during the recognition banquet.**

**Evaluation of the tested election process will be a part of the 2010 State Leadership Meeting evaluation. The evaluation results will be analyzed by the 2010-2011 State Executive Council during the 2010 CTSO Leadership Training in June. Based on the evaluation results, the 2010-2011 State Executive Council may submit a proposal for consideration by the members for a permanent change to Article VI Election of State Officers, Section 1. The change would then be voted on during the 2011 State Leadership Meeting. If it is determined that the evaluation results are negative and lean towards returning to the election of the State Executive Council at the District Leadership Meetings there will be no proposed bylaws changes and the bylaws will stand as currently written and election of state officers will return to the district meeting in the fall of 2010. **