



The following is a summary of actions taken by the Texas FFA Board of Directors during the third quarter meeting, held on March 30, 2026, in Waco, Texas.

Full Board Meeting Minutes may be found on the Texas FFA website [here](#).

- Approved the new Texas FFA Rodeo Rule Handbook
- Approved change to Policy 40.2 clarifying that the Executive Director already has the autonomy to determine additional recipients and that the area associations can determine where and when to pick up remaining degrees.
- Approved the changes is Policy 4.3 clarifying the number of extensions a chapter is allowed to have in the New Chapter Charter Process.
- Approved changes to Policy 3.4 clarifying roster submission and payment dates.
- Approved changes to Policy 15.1 clarifying the job duties of a State Officer.
- Approved Toby Long to be the Board Superintendent over the State Officer Selection Process.
- Approved 2 recipients of the ER Alexander and 1 recipient of the Blue and Gold award to be presented at convention.
- Approved the clarification to LDE Rule 8, limiting a member to 1 LDE event.
- Approved the addition to Policy 24.2, stating that superintendents shall be chosen by the Executive Director and State Competitive Events Coordinator.
- Approved the LDE Statement of Originality
- Approved the clarification to LDE Rule 10 that the Greenhand Division has to be grades 7th, 8th, or 9th, first year, first semester of AFNR course member to participate.
- Approved the changes to CDE rules
 - Ag Communications:
 - Rule 4 adding no smart glasses
 - 50 minutes to complete the Exam and no electronic devices are allowed during the Written Mechanic Exam
 - 3 hours for the Pracicums.
 - Cotton
 - No practice is allowed at the state contest site prior to an area qualifying event.
 - Dairy Cattle
 - Ten minutes for each evaluating class
 - Updated Tiebreaker



- Farm Business Management
 - Calculator requirements
 - Rule 1: Removal of official dress requirement
- Floriculture
 - 200 plants/tools/pests/diseases will be listed
 - Added except for seeds to Event Format 2
 - Added clarification to Event Format 2(c) (a)
 - Added clarification to Placing Classes
 - Changes the General Knowledge Exam points to 150 and clarified where questions will be taken from
 - Changes to 3 points for each question answered correctly on the exam
 - Changed Problem Solving to Practicum and edited rules to match
 - Added Practicum Expectations section
 - Added Example Pricing Exam
 - Removed Practicum rotation
 - Removed resources and added new
- Horse Judging
 - Added Confirmation Hunter to Halter Classes
 - Replaced Rule 10 referring to questions
 - Replaced Rule 13 stating that 1 of at least 2 judges must hold their judging card recognized by the AQHA.
- Livestock Evaluation
 - Reinstated the Feeder Cattle section
- Milk Quality
 - Added to the Event Format section for contest preparation
 - Added all products must appear as they are in the container
 - Removed all products must come from the approved product list
 - Problems must come from the most recent 5 years excluding the most recent year
 - Added Resource 3 and 4
- Poultry
 - Approved striking Rule 1 from the Event Format section
 - Added that participants will have 15 minutes in the Event Format section



- Added that participants will have 2 rotations to complete the written exam
 - Added that participants will be divided into 11 groups to rotate
 - Changes that participants will have 10 ready-to-cook carcasses
- Wildlife
 - Removed the electronic compass as a tool
 - Added the Validation Committee
 - Updated scoring
- Wool
 - Removed the usage of rubber bands and lined paper
 - Added 30-45 minutes to rail
 - Added Staple Cards
 - Updated points
 - Removed questions
- Vet Science
 - Updated scrubs requirement
 - Updated Practicum Rotations
- Vet ID Sheet
 - Updated breeds
- Established the Texas FFA Star Administrator and Star Counselor Awards
- Approved removing Policy 36