

CHAPTER 1264**VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION***H.F. 2433*

AN ACT relating to public school vocational education in agriculture technology and creating a council for agricultural education.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 256.31 COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

1. An advisory council for agricultural education is established, which consists of nine members appointed by the governor. The nine members shall include the following:

- a. Five persons representing all areas of agriculture and diverse geographical areas.
- b. The individual representing agriculture on the state council for vocational education.
- c. A secondary school program instructor, a postsecondary school program instructor, and a teacher educator.

2. The council may also include as ex officio members the following persons, as determined by the voting members of the council:

- a. The state future farmers of America president.
- b. The current state future farmers of America alumni association president.
- c. The current postsecondary agriculture students president.
- d. The current young farmers educational association president.
- e. A state consultant in agricultural education.
- f. The secretary of agriculture or the secretary's designee.
- g. A member of each house of the general assembly. This membership shall be bipartisan in composition and shall be selected by the majority leader of the senate and the speaker of the house.

3. The duties of the council are to review, develop, and recommend standards for secondary and postsecondary agricultural education. The council shall annually issue a report to the state board of education and the chairpersons of the house and senate agriculture and education committees regarding both short-term and long-term curricular standards for agricultural education and the council's activities. The council shall meet a minimum of twice annually, and must have a quorum consisting of a majority of voting members present to hold an official meeting and to take any final council action. However, hearings may be held without a quorum. The chairperson shall be elected annually by and from the voting membership. The initial organizational meeting shall be called by the director of the department of education.

4. The term of membership is three years. The terms shall be staggered so that three of the terms end each year, but no member serving on the initial council shall serve less than one year. The governor shall determine the length of the initial terms of office.

Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 280.19 VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION.

1. It is the intent of the general assembly to encourage the public secondary schools to develop comprehensive programs for vocational education in agriculture technology to meet the diverse needs of Iowa's students and to ensure an adequate supply of trained and skilled individuals in all phases of the agriculture industry. The board of directors of each public school district may develop, as part of the curriculum in grades nine through twelve, programs for vocational education in agriculture technology.

It is also the intent of the general assembly to encourage the development of programs for vocational education in agriculture technology which are structured on a twelve-month basis and which include the following:

- a. Provision for twelve-month extended contracts to permit entrepreneurial agricultural experience, summer program planning, and recordkeeping.

Supervision and accountability of vocational agriculture teachers employed for extended contracts are the responsibility of the local school board.

b. Submission of an annual summer program by each vocational agriculture instructor, employed on an extended contract basis.

c. The following reports shall be made available to the council for agriculture education upon request:

(1) A summary of summer activities completed for each vocational agriculture instructor employed on an extended contract.

(2) A summary of supervised agricultural experience programs conducted during the year in vocational agriculture.

d. Provision for instructional supervision for agricultural occupational experience programs.

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CHAPTER 1265

M-F-L COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGALIZING ACT

H.F. 2449

AN ACT to legalize the proceedings of the board of directors of the M-F-L Community School District relating to the sale of certain real estate.

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the M-F-L Community School District approved the sale of lots three and four of block two of Russell's addition to the town of Farmersburg, Clayton County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the property was appraised as required by law, advertised for bids as required by law, and sold by special warranty deed on December 2, 1980; and

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the M-F-L Community School District complied with the law relating to the sale of the property except that in the advertisement for bids the property was erroneously described as lots two and four of block two of Russell's addition to the town of Farmersburg, Clayton County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen concerning the legality of the sale of the property and it is deemed advisable to remove forever such doubts as to the validity of these transactions; now therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. All proceedings taken by the board of directors of the M-F-L Community School District relating to the sale of Lots Three and Four of Block Two of Russell's Addition to the Town of Farmersburg, Clayton County, Iowa are hereby legalized and constitute a legal and binding sale of those properties by the board of directors of the M-F-L Community School District.

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