2018-2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

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Board Position: Region 4 Rep

Board Meeting Date: 4/24/19

News to Share Since Our Last Board Meeting:

- Nicole had her baby!
- Chapter 9 recruited a new leadership member
- Garden time is here! We created new garden lesson curriculum packets to go with our seed kits. Looking forward to hearing feedback from teachers.
- Red Rose Chapter Meeting hosted Congressman Smucker and Representative Dave Hinckernell. Discussed lunch shaming and equipment grants. General consensus was negative balances are still at all-time high and more needs to be done. But thankful for the compromised reached to speak with high school students which a conversation at last years Red Rose banquet helped to solidify. Equipment grants and other USDA grants need to be available for schools who have lower F/R % - need to level the playing field. Both legislators said they would take comments into consideration.

New or Big Ideas: (Brief description of exciting new ideas you are hearing about from state leaders, SNA members, allied organizations, industry partners, etc.)

Chapter Meetings:

4/2/19 - Chapter 9 at Great Valley Middle School (Frecon Farm Presentation)

4/17/19 - Red Rose Chapter 19 at Donegal HS (Legislative speakers)

Other Meetings Attended: (Brief description of meetings with other organizations, committee meetings, national or regional meetings, etc.)