CDE Committee
Final Report 2019

1. General Rules
	1. Add breakdown of Gold, Silver and Bronze medals to rules. Gold: top 10, Silver: next 15, bronze: next 15
2. Fall LDE’s
	1. Marketing Plan: Move to the National rubric for scoring the written plan and presentation.
	2. Employment Skills: put X’s in the SSN field on the employment application.
	3. Ag Communications: Clarify in the rules number of pages allowed for written plans.
3. Spring CDE’s
	1. Vet Science:
		1. Add a conversion sheet to the rules.
		2. Delete “Identification tag pliers” from the ID
		3. Combine the “Feeding tube” and “urine catheter” in the ID.
	2. Meats: Note paper for calculations and grading will be provided as the contest begins, note paper will be handed in prior to leaving the contest site.
	3. Dairy Cattle Evaluation: Move the sire selection and pedigree to the team activity. Move the herd summary to be included with the MC test, at the same value as a current test question.
	4. Food Science: Make sure to use the current rules, 10 scents at 5 points a piece, this has not been done for a few years at state.
	5. Nursery Landscape: Liaison will suggest printing copies of the landscape drawing for each student, rather than having a few large drawings.
	6. Horse/Livestock Judging: Add a rubric to the website as a resource to be used for reasons. It will not be required to use it.
	7. Horse Judging Changes from CDE helpers:
		1. Judges will be asked to announce at the beginning of each class whether it is to be judged “as is” or “as sound”.
		2. A carded judge can be from any state, not just South Dakota.
		3. A CDE committee member will be observing the Horse CDE this year to make recommendations for improvements.
	8. Natural Resources: A committee will be formed to vet the process of making the SD Envirothon our State Natural Resources CDE. They will be formed via an email asking for volunteers. A report will be given at next year’s SDAAE meeting.
4. General Discussion
	1. Liaison’s will be given name tags for their CDEs at state convention. NO ADVISORS are allowed inside the CDE with the exception of the liaisons.
	2. Recommend we start handing out scantrons at the contests. Students will have to have a wristband to be able to get a scantron.