

KEAFCS Board Meeting

April 28, 2011

Minutes

The KEAFCS Board Meeting was called to order by President Rosie Allen. Past President and Parliamentarian, Sally Mineer reviewed parliamentary procedure.

Minutes were reviewed by members and changes were made from the Executive Board Meeting notes. Changes were noted in the minutes. Minutes of this meeting are to be reviewed by Tracy Thornton, Melissa Goodman, and Laura Holt. Roll call was taken and each agent introduced themselves with their name, staffing changes, and one upcoming program idea. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Liz Kingsland and seconded by Theresa Howard. Thank you card was received from Peggy Powell for our support of her award for Educator of the Year.

Treasurer's Report: Christine Duncan presented the 2011 budget and line items for the year so far. Income and Expenses of 2010 were also presented to the group.

Greeting from National Officer: Judy Hetterman, NEAFCS treasurer, promoted us selling cookbooks for the upcoming national meeting that we will be hosting in 2014. She also stated that she will be having a NEAFCS board meeting via conference call.

Officer's Report:

President's Report: President Allen discussed her trip to PILD and about Cooperative Extension being the best kept secret. She discussed how that has to stop and that it is time that we all put ourselves out there for people to know who we are. Representative Chandler stated that he knows who we are but others don't so when it comes to budget cuts he must vote how the people want. No more keeping us a secret. President discussed the strengths of being an FCS Agent and how we need to keep those strong in our field. Also discussed was the Resolution regarding FCS Agent hiring that was developed by KEAFCS Executive Board Committee; Liz Kingsland, Kathy Byrnes, and Debra Cotterill. The resolution was presented to the board and then a motion was made by Kathy Byrnes that we accept the resolution to express support of hiring FCS Agents with a BS Degree or MS Degree in Family and Consumer Sciences or related areas. A vote was taken and the motion passed. Then we discussed who we should share this resolution with. President Allen volunteered to send a copy of it to NEAFCS, Dr. Henning, and Dean Smith. Sally Mineer volunteered to share a copy with KAFCS. Becky Nash volunteered to send a copy to the head of FCCLA to share with their students who may be interested in being a Family and Consumer Sciences Agent. President Allen also informed us that Sally Mineer and Kathy

Byrnes are co chairs for helping to plan our national meeting. President Allen discussed supporting the NEAFCS Ebay auction that is going to take place in June. There will be a training available so that agents know how to bid on Ebay. Liz Kingsland donated a tablecloth and a dozen napkins and Dr. Vail donated a UK plaid cotton scarf. We were reminded that if we complete any webinars online that we can print out a certificate of completion. We may not get in-service credit but can add it to our portfolio to show our district director.

Vice President for Awards & Recognition: Pam York reported that there were 78 award entries turned in to be voted on. It was down from about 10 from last year, which isn't bad since the deadline was moved up one month earlier. There were 9 Southern Region and National Winners. It was also discussed that there would not be official announcements of awards until after the national meeting.

JCEP Leadership Meeting: Debra Cotterill attended the JCEP Leadership Meeting in San Antonio, Texas with President Allen and specialist Joanne Bankston from Kentucky State University. The main focus of this meeting was NIFA (National institute of food and agriculture). NIFA can provide grant funding opportunities for agents. NIFA also has national impact statements that you can look at for programming ideas. The website to access all this information is www.csrees.usda.gov/. Debra also shared information about the Living Well Website and how there is information on there to help you promote the books in your program. At this meeting there was also an appointed webinar committee and that committee came up with a survey about webinars. The Board helped Debra complete a survey for NEAFCS regarding webinars.

Past President: Sally Mineer discussed the rotation of Friends of Extensions. This year Wilderness Trail and Quicksand are in charge. Time to start discussing this with your areas. Guidelines and forms will be posted on the website and nominations go to Tracy Thornton.

Professional Development: Evaluations were looked at by Laura Holt for the 2010 KEAFCS meeting. There were few negative comments and speed networking seemed to be popular. The 2011 KEAFCS meeting will be held December 1 and 2 with the All School Conference taking place on November 30 at the Crowne Plaza. The Vice Presidents of Professional Development from each area will serve on the committee with Debra for this meeting. Debra doesn't have all the names yet so please email her those ASAP! Debra has booked the key note speaker who will be Janie Thornton. The 2012 KEAFCS meeting will be held in Louisville. Debra is taking suggestions for hotels.

Vice President for Member Resources: Tracy Thornton reported that we are currently taking applications for Grayson and Pike County. Since the board last met there have been vacancies in Grayson, Fulton, Pike, Jackson, Caldwell, and Lyon. Tracy informed us that Peggy Helton and Rita Spence are on post retirement and that Laura Wilson has retired. Currently we have 22 life

members. Encourage members to attend national meeting and remember to check out member resources on our national websites. Great ideas for programming and evaluation tools.

Vice President for Public Affairs: Liz Kingsland reported that she attended PILD with President Allen and shared her experience there. She also met with people from NIFA. The main point she took home from this meeting is that we need to get our name out there about all the work we do. She also got the chance to visit Representative Chandler and his advice was to get our name out there! Liz also discussed Living Well month and if you participated to email her what you did.

Also during the Public Affairs report we were once again encouraged to use our Building Strong Families and SNAP ED profiles.

Special Reports:

Policy Revisions: Kathy Byrnes passed out the policy revisions suggested changes/updates. They were explained and gone over. Kathy Byrnes made a motion that we accept the presented KEAFCS proposed policy changes. The motion was voted on and passed. The revisions will be filed.

Nominating: Natasha Lucas gave us an update on the nominating committee. On the committee is Natasha, Mindy McCully, and Debbie Shepherd. Positions that are open include; VP for Professional Development (President Elect), VP Member Resources, VP Awards, and Treasurer. Please look for people in your area and start sending those names to Natasha.

Retirement: Tracy Thornton mentioned the post retirement and retirement of agents in her report. Kelli Bonifer reported that you send retirees or deaths of members to her or Tracy Thornton.

Living Well Cookbook Update- From the original 80 cases we bought we have officially sold half of those. Donna Fryman, Sally Mineer, and Debra Cotterill are going to teach a class at the KEHA meeting called "Traveling across America." They will use recipes from the cookbook and the Homemakers will be able to purchase one. Ways to promote the book were discussed by Debra and other agents. Nationals offered us the option to purchase a full skid of books for a half skid price. The cost would be \$5600. A motion was made but not accepted by the board at this time to purchase. Also remember to use program support at the end of the year to purchase books.

Website- Is currently being changed to Drupal from front page. Website is set to go live on May 3rd but that may change. Newsletter deadline is May 2.

Marketing-"Building Strong Families" profile is still one of our professional branding and marketing pieces. Share profiles with local, state, and federal law makers. FCS campaigns that are currently going on in the state include; Second Sunday, KY Saves, Plate it Up, and Leadership curriculum (KELD)

Pride of Kentucky: The amount that is currently in the Pride of Kentucky Fund is \$136,699.36. This money is used to help fund awards program and provide educational program grants. Each year the fund should earn approximately around \$5000. May be more than that or may be less.

Past Presidents: Clarified the duties of the group in the bylaws. Kathy Jump has officially completed her term and Jennifer Bridge is appointed as Past President's representative.

Old Business:

Budget committee has been appointed. Serving on that committee is Chris Duncan, Pam York, Janet Johnson, and Debra Cotterill. The committee hasn't currently met.

New Business:

Chi Epsilon Sigma request: Chi Epsilon Sigma sent a letter to KEAFCS requesting funds to help host their 2012 meeting. They asked for \$150. Tracy Thornton spoke of being a key note speaker there and what she learned from that group. A motion was made by Tracy Thornton that KEAFCS support Chi Epsilon Sigma in the amount of \$150 to help sponsor their 2012 Annual Meeting. Becky Nash seconded and motion passed.

National Meeting: Dates were discussed and we were informed there would be 3 pre conference workshops. You have to book hotel and then register for conference. After you register you can wait to register for in-depth session until later date. You only pick one in-depth session instead of many like we did previously. The early bird special will end on July 23.

State's Night Out- Discussion about where to eat and how to be transported there. Members agreed it would be best to include all this together in one price. Currently this is still in the works!

Family Study Tour, New Mexico- Itineraries were passed out for this by Dr. Vail. She has put much time into this and current and past extension personal in New Mexico will help with the tour. Three different cultural areas will be studied. The funds for this can come from your county travel or professional improvement with your District Director's approval. It's recommended that when meeting with your District Board to let them know that you will be participating in the Diverse Families Study Tour. Also you will need to talk to your District Director if you are interested in participating. The first deposit is due on May 16th. Dr Vail is currently working on putting it into the in-service catalog and making it a possible independent study for class credit. Dr. Vail also volunteered to help with funds for those county agents that may need them.

Miscellaneous: Dr. Vail encouraged FCS agents and other agents in office to spend NEP money. If you need information about the budget in your county or receipt forms they can be found on Catpaws.

Old KEAFCS Banner- Is missing and on the loose. If anyone knows where this can be found or has seen it in their office. Please contact President Allen.

Fall Board Meeting Date- November 8th in Elizabethtown.

KEHA meeting – May 14-17 2012 in Lexington.

Ruth Chowning made a motion that we adjourn and Kelly Bonifer seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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