
Kentucky Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

Fall Board Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2015
Pulaski County Extension Office

As an Extension educator, my prime concern is people. I believe it is my responsibility to give the best of my ability and develop myself to be an effective educator. I accept the opportunity to empower individuals, families, and communities to meet their needs and goals through a learning partnership. May I always be willing to accept the challenges of the changing times.

President Edith Lovett called the meeting to order. Edith Lovett gave the thought for the day. Mary Hixson, Past President reviewed parliamentary procedure. Amanda Hardy and Vicki Wynn will serve as the minute reviewers for today's meeting.

Melissa Goodman conducted a roll call of Board Members who answered by telling what they love about their job. 14 members were present. Motion to approve minutes by Shelia Fawbush, Kelli Bonifer second. Nellie Buchanan was unable to attend due to prior engagement so Edith Lovett gave the report submitted titled KEAFCS Treasurer's Report from March 30 till September 21, 2015. Total income was reported as \$1092.00. Total expenses were reported as \$3774.53. Current checking account balance is \$52,566.49 as of 9/21/15. Jill Harris motion to approve, Cecelia Hostilo second.

Officers Report:

President: Edith Lovett submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. She attended the KEHA State Meeting and KEHA Program of Work Meeting. She extended greetings from KEAFCS to KAAFCS in Lexington, KY. She attended the ESP Board meeting in Grayson County and served on the HES Hall of Fame Committee. She has completed the affiliate annual report for 2015. This Friday she will attend the JCEP Meeting at Barren River State Park.

President-Elect: Vicki Wynn submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. Vicki gave an update on KEAFCS States Night Out at NEAFCS. She updated us on KEAFCS Annual Meeting on December 2-3. Rooms are still available at the Hilton Downtown Lex before October 31. Round Robin Sessions at the year's annual meeting will spotlight wellness in the county or multi county. Please coordinate with agents from your area and submit program or activity name and contact agent(s) by email to vicki.wynn@uky.edu. Dr. Vail would like to speak to everyone on Wednesday, December 2 at 4:00. Please bring items for the Silent Auction to be held Wednesday December 2. KEAFCS registration form is coming soon as well as more information on TIAA-CREF and Fidelity representatives.

Vice President for Awards and Recognition: Jill Harris submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. She gave the statistics for Kentucky's NEAFCS Awards which included 9 National Winners plus 3 Distinguished Service Award and 3 Continued Excellence. We also had 6 southern region award winners. We will be electing a new NEAFCS Vice President for Awards and recognition. Many resources are available on the neafcs.org website. We will be notified as soon as the award entry deadline is announced. All KEAFCS Awards have been updated. Jill mentioned that there is a new award for a Master Volunteer Award on the state level to reflect the new award on the national level. Jill Harris made a motion that we amend the awards budget to include a fifty dollar award for the new NEAFCS Master Volunteer Award providing funds are available starting in 2015. Cecelia Hostilo second. Motion carried.

Vice President for Member Resources: Amanda Hardy submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. We have four new members. She provided a list of the Honorary Members from 2003-2014 and it has some gaps for certain years. She would like to compile a complete list. Amanda would like a list of specialists who are members.

Vice President for Public Affairs: Sheila Fawbush submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. She also provided the membership with seven NEAFCS Impact Statements. Kentucky was mentioned in four of those. She handed out a chart of our 2015 Kentucky Congressional Delegation. She attended PILD and submitted State Impact Statements to NEAFCS in January of 2015.

Past President: Mary Hixson gave an oral report. She gave an update on the frame purchased for the art quilt for the School of HES Centennial Celebration. It is hanging in Room 128 Erikson Hall. It was a handmade frame for a local Kentucky Artist from Nonesuch, Kentucky. Keep an eye out for information on a possible dedication or ceremony. Cecelia requested a picture and information to be submitted to place on KEAFCS website.

Special Mention was made to recognize Dr. Vail and her husband, Gary Schaffer as well as Dr. Cherry Smith- KEAFCS thanks you so much for all of the hard work that goes into study tours and professional development for agents. We really appreciate the opportunity to broaden our horizons and bond as agents. The KEAFCS secretary will write a thank you note on behalf of the membership.

Newsletter: Cecelia Hostilo has settled on two newsletters a year. The website is getting ready to change formats. Everything is currently update on the website. She asked for any suggestions. Pictures make the newsletter visually pleasing. All areas or districts are encouraged to submit pictures and timely articles for the newsletter.

Constitution, History and Policies Chairman: Laura White-Brown- no report was submitted.

Retirement and Fringe Benefits Chairman: Judi Cissell O'Bryan submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. She had thirty-five retirees attend the summer event. If you have any retirees please let Judi know.

Marketing and Public Relations: Mindy McCulley is taking Janet Johnson's position as the Plate It Up chairman, so she will become the marketing and public relations chairperson.

Nominating Chairman: Kelli Bonifer submitted a written fall report of her activities and it has been filed. The following positions are available: President Elect/Vice President for Professional Development, Vice President for Awards and recognition, Vice President for Member resources and Treasurer. The deadline is October 30th. A mass email will be sent out to membership.

Pride of Kentucky: Jennifer Bridge- no report was submitted

Past Presidents Report: Dianna Doggett reported via email that she would not be able to attend. The Past President Report will be provided at the annual session board meeting.

KEHA: Edith Lovett attended the KEHA board meeting on behalf of KEAFCS.

Other Business

Friend of Extension: Bluegrass and Mammoth Cave Area have been contacted and are in discussion over nominee for this important award.

In the spring board meeting, we decided to donate \$300.00 for the NEAFCS meeting for the hospitality room. Shelia asked who is going to take charge of this. Edith will check with West Virginia to make sure we can bring in food and report back. Shelia is willing to make homemade items.

Linda Combs is running for Southern Region Director. She does have opposition from Virginia.

We need an audit committee. The following members were asked to serve Linda Combs, Laura White-Brown, and Hannah Leonard. They will work with Nellie to make budget and audit the past year.

Needlework Trainings will be held in the West and East in November. Mary Hixson stated that it will be in Princeton November 17 and Morgan County on November 19. This training is open to volunteers and agents. The trainings will be focused on embroidery. It is currently under KERS as 4-H State Needlework training.

Honorary KEAFCS Member: Amanda Hardy is going to do further research to double check who has been nominated and received the award in the past.

Reminder that KEAFCS Membership Dues are being supplemented from the carryover of the National Meeting hosted in 2014- Half of your membership dues are being paid.

Shelia Fawbush and Melissa Goodman need a State Officer Nametag.

Discussion on the funds received from the Silent Auction. Cecelia made a motion to designate silent auction profits to help members with limited professional improvement funds attend the state and national meetings. Mary Hixon second. Motion carried.

Jill Harris finished up with an encouragement for award submission and attending state and national meetings.

Motion to adjourn by Nanette Banks. Second Katie Alexander.

Meetings and Dates

- October 7, 2015 States Night Out Dinner Registration
- October 30 State Officer Credential Submission Deadline, Send to Kelli Bonifer
- November 2-5 NEAFCS National Conference, Greenbrier Resort, White Sulphur Springs, WV.
- December 1, 2015 All School Conference Lexington Embassy Suites
- December 2-3, 2015 State KEAFCS Meeting, Hilton Lexington/Downtown
- April 18-21, 2016 KEHA State Meeting, Northern Kentucky Convention Center
- 2016 NEAFCS Annual Meeting...Big Sky, Montana
- 2017 NEAFCS Annual Meeting...Omaha, Nebraska
- 2018 NEAFCS Annual Meeting...San Antonio, Texas

