

## **KEAFCS Association Meeting**

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

The Annual Meeting of KEAFCS was called to order by President Denise Sullivan at 2:08 on Tuesday, October 20 in the KSU Union Big 12 Room. Secretary, Susie Latta requested the roll call sheet be signed by members in lieu of a formal roll call. There were 59 members present. Cindy Evans moved to approve the minutes as presented. Donna Priestner second the motion. Motion carried. Correspondence included notes of thanks from Pat Gerhardt and Martha Flanagan.

**Treasurer's report** – Sheryl Carson put names of member who had paid their dues in a drawing for three \$30 rebates on their association dues. Everyone needs to go online to update information on the NEAFCS website and send a confirmation of that to Sheryl. Financial report October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015 showed an income of \$12,027.98 and expenses as \$15,098.46. Sheryl indicated that income being less than expenses is becoming a trend we need to watch otherwise our savings will start dwindling if we keep using it. Sheryl presented the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Cindy suggested that we add a First Timer Stipend, and Friend of FCS should be \$250 instead of \$100.

Denise explained the Member Only Event for FCS members when questions were asked.

### **Report of Officers and Committees**

President- Denise Sullivan reported KEAFCS is the chair at the United Association Conference March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Wichita. This is a joint effort of KEAFCS, ESP, KATFAC, KAFCS. Denise is working hard to increase the number of people participating in this event. The theme of the event will be Leadership. The Keynote Speaker is Jody Cross. She is the author of the book Leader Speak. We need to work on making a great line up of speakers so that members will want to attend this professional development opportunity.

Denise attend the PILD Conference in Washington DC. It was an amazing opportunity to make connections with people from other states and meet with legislative aides and tell the story of what we are doing across the state of Kansas through Extension. Denise thanks the association for giving her this opportunity.

President-Elect- Kylie Ludwig reported that she went to JCEP in Las Vegas. She appreciated the opportunity to attend the conference and felt that she got something out of every session that she attended. National Awards will be presented at a later date. Sixteen people attended the National Meeting including one retiree Beverly Kindler.

Past-president- Cindy Evans, Chair of the nominating committee thanked area directors for recruiting members to serve in the various offices. She announced the new area counselors are NE Area Gina Aurand and NW Area Anna Schremmer.

Secretary- Susie Latta No Report

Treasurer- Sheryl Carson No Report

VP of Awards & Recognition- Nozella Brown discussed the new system for awards is now done all online. Encouraging people to continue to apply for awards we should have someone to apply for every award.

VP of Member Resources- Robin Eubank – As printed in the annual report.

VP of Public Relations & Marketing- Julianne Shoup submitted Kansas accomplishments to Nationals. Kansas was featured in 6 out of the 8 reports.

VP of Professional Development - Amy Lorenzen – No Report. She appreciates all the members help in making the booths happen for the UAC.

#### **Area Counselors-**

SW – Jodi Drake reported that the annual report is completed and thanked all those people who reported.

SE – Rhonda Gordon reported the report is in the annual report. She appreciated all who helped with the state fair fashion review. Thanks to Joy and Nancy for being the co-chairs. The SE Area welcomed three new agents to the area and one agent retired.

NW – Melinda Daily reported that there have been three retirements, one new agent and three new babies in the NW area.

NE – Kathy Tharman's report is in the annual report. The NE Area was in charge of the association newsletter this past year. She recognized members having birthdays today which included 4 members. Denise reported the area responsibilities for the coming year as stated in the agenda.

Denise presented little gift to committee chairs

#### **2016 Area Responsibilities**

NW - Newsletter/Nominating

NE - State Fair Fashion Revue

SE - Annual Report

SW - Friendship Night

#### **Operational Committees**

\* Audit/Budget Committee- Sheryl Carson reported that the committee had discussed monthly reports with income and expenses to keep up with it over the year. Thinking about a mini quarterly report instead.

\* Constitution, By-Laws and Policy- Kylie Ludwig's report is in the annual report.

#### **Program of Work Committees**

*Under VP of Member Resources (Robin Eubank)*

\* Membership Resources Committee – Kathy Bloom No Report

\* Retirement Committee – Nancy Nelson reported three retirees that retired since the last association meeting. Each received \$50 for a book purchase or go to a cause that they support.

\* Member Benefit – Cindy Williams reported that her report is in the annual report.

*Under VP of Awards and Recognition (Nozella Brown)*

\* Professional Development Awards Committee – Nancy Schuster - No Report

\* Program Awards Committee- Rebecca McFarland - No Report

\* Communications/Public Affairs Award Committee – Deanna Turner - No Report

\* Scholarship/Friend of Extension FCS/First Timer's Stipend – Ethel Schneweis stated her report is in the annual report.

*Under VP of Public Affairs (Julianne Shoup)*

\* Public Affairs/Marketing Committee – Julianne Shoup - No Report

\* Recruitment – Gina Aurand thanked Denise for attending the meal with new agents.

*Under VP of Professional Development- (Amy Lorenzen)*

\* Research and Studies Committee – Sharolyn Jackson - No Report

\* History Committee – Cindy Evans - As stated in the annual report.

\* Friendship Night – Melinda Daily, NW Counselor Donna and Erin reported that Friendship Night is tomorrow night at the train depot. The Theme is from the Land of Kansas. The event begins at 6.

Daryl Buchholz arrived at the meeting and came to pay his dues. He welcomed us to KSU. Daryl believes in Professional Development and thanks those who join their professional development organizations. He announced that Laurie Chandler is a new member of the Administrative Team. Laurie will help with mentoring and communicating with new extension agents and developing the federal report. She will give support with KSRE Online and KPICS. Please report problems regarding KPICS to KPICS staff or Laurie. Please let staff know when you find broken links in the new KSRE website. Daryl appreciate all that we do and thanked us for our hard work.

\* United Association Conference Planning Committee consists of Denise, Kylie, Donna, and Teresa.

**‘Innovate, Integrate, Motivate’** is the theme of the conference that will be held March 3-4, 2016 at the Sedgwick County Extension Office. We need to build a conference so people will come.

**Webmaster** – Rebecca Reid reported that it has been a challenge with the revision to the new CMS systems. She is welcome to constructive criticism or if you need help finding information she will be glad to help you.

**Liaisons** KEAFCE Liason – Valerie Edwards stated what the purpose of KEAFCE is. The purpose of this organization is to continue lifelong learning. State Conference was in Garden City. They use the FCS Annual Series Program and tie to extension. The 2016 state meeting is in Topeka.

\* Annual Conference – Jamie Rathbun reported that the survey makes a difference. Thanks to all who helped by turning in a proposal so the committee can look at them. The Annual Conference Committee is welcome to FCS proposals.

**Old Business**

\* KEAA is considering changing formats from its current form to become more like JCEP. This would include ESP which is different from the past. Encouraged members to attend the KEAA meeting. Diane Nielson reported on a committee conference call regarding this issue. This would be a United Front for extension and bring together county, area and state level staff. Encouraged agents to be a part of this discussion.

**New Business**

\* Voluntary Life Insurance Program - If a member of the association was to pass away, all members that pledged \$40 would pay that money into the Association. An amount of money would also be sent out to the member if they lost a minor child or spouse. This could be a member benefit. This was tried many years ago when Jan Stevens was president of the Association. It was suggested to do a historical research and assign to the member benefit committee, then come back together to look at it. Deb Andres moved to table this discussion and that the President select a committee to provide a comprehensive proposal to present to the Association. Valerie second. Motion carried.

\* We will revisit the need to do fundraising at our spring meeting. It was asked about why can't KEAFCS be allowed to be a part of the University Campaign. Another idea was to promote a Key note speaker to the general public as a way to make more money.

\* Member Benefit Event - Ethel moved and Diane seconded to have the member resources committee plan a member benefit event in February. Motion Carried.

\* NEAFCS Bylaw changes might affect a few of the changes in the state bylaws.

\* Election results were announced, President Elect Donna Krug, Secretary Beth Ireland, VP of Award and Recognition Nozella Brown, and Vice President of Professional Development Teresa Hatfield.

\* Winners for the drawing for the membership rebate included Carol Ann Crouch, Jody Drake and Susie Latta.

Robin moved to approve budget as amended. Ethel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Spring Business Meeting – Deb moved to do committee work in February and have the meeting in March. Becky seconded the motion. Motion failed. Nancy Honig moved to have the spring meeting at the February update and Carol Ann Crouch seconded. Motion carried.

We are looking for a chair for the member resource committee.

Art of the Facilitation is a training the Community Development PFT is sponsoring. November 18 is the deadline to register for the training.

Ethel moved we adjourn the meeting. Donna Priestner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Latta  
KEAFCS Secretary