

Virginia Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences



VEAFCS

Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2013

Attending: *Donna Daniel, Nancy Stegon, Jane Henderson, Karen Munden, Jeannie Mullins, Doris Heath, Crystal Barber, Glenn Sturm, Twandra Lomax-Brown, Kathleen Watson, Linda Cole, Katrina Kirby, Lanette Kelly, Jeri Kostal, Melissa Chase, Kim Edmonds, Donna Meade, Cristin Springer, Pegi Wright, Joelle Lifford, Susan Prillaman, Dr. Franklin Jackson, Dr. Jewel Hairston, Dr. Edwin Jones*

Call To Order:

Karen Munden called the meeting to order of the VEAFCFS and VESA conference on May 15, 2013 at 2:30pm in the Douglass Wilder Center- 300A room at Virginia State University. Crystal Barber read the minutes from the last meeting (VCE Professional Development Conference). The minutes were approved as read.

Open General Business and Updates:

No feedback at this time from the General Assembly regarding the budget, however, we still want to stay abreast of the cuts for Smith-Lever and the SNAP ED program.

Dr. Jones shared that we should receive more information about the salary study by June 2013. Lonnie Johnson, Jr. will be moving into the Senior District Director position by July 2013. June 10th and 11th will begin the interviews for his former position of SE District Director. The mileage policy will be based on the university policy. Dr. Franklin Jackson informed that Berry and Field Day at Virginia State University will take place on June 27th.

We are considering renting a bus for the Galaxy Conference. All VCE faculty should make it a priority to be a part of this and maintain their participation in the professional organizations.

Dr. Edwin Jones gave an update. He will cover for Dr. Brian Calhoun in the Interim. Dr. Calhoun will be out through July 2013. Dr. Jones recognized Dr. Calhoun's connection with FCS critical. Karen will initiate sending him a get well card from VEAFCFS. Dr. Jones the floor for questions. Karen inquired about having the FCS logo at the VCE marketing site. Dr. Jones agreed to look

into it. Dr. Jewel Hairston elaborated on the direction Family and Consumer Sciences at VSU, and encouraged more partnerships with VCE FCS. She that VSU has a Dietetic program. Doris is working with Dr. Joyner, Department to have FCS present to students. There will be a paid internship opportunity available. Dr. Hairston would like to invite VCE FCS to become a part.

It was proposed:

- 1) To raise funds to be able to send persons to NEAFCS
- 2) To move some items to General Funds
- 3) To have an endowment through a foundation- (proposed by Cristin). Karen agreed to take these issues to the Executive Board and communicate feedback by e-mail. Dr. Jones suggested having Mr. Grove involved in scholarship, and recommended funds go to President's line item in General funds. Dr. Jones will consider assisting financially with both conferences, and provide feedback on this at a later date.

The motion to accept the budget as printed was approved by all. The main source of income is the \$45.00 for VEAFCF membership dues.

Doris proposed raising dues. The motion to increase dues to \$55.00 was introduced by Nancy to the floor. The motion was accepted. We do need to inform Dr. Calhoun of this. Only around 50% of FCS Extension agents are members. We need to continuously encourage our co-workers to join the Association. Dues applications usually come out around the month of October 2013, and they should be paid by December 31, 2013.

Committee Reports:

Membership:

Pegi, Member Resource Vice-president, asked if anyone has knowledge of the names of FCS extension agent retirees please submit these to her. She is open to suggestions to assist her with developing an "elevator speech" as to why join the Association. Jane shared to reach out to other Family and Consumer Sciences professionals, as well as Extension.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was given by Melissa. The motion to accept the budget as printed was approved. The silent auction income from the professional development conference was \$317.00. **Jeri Kostal, FCS Extension Agent, Chesapeake, has accepted the position of Treasurer.**

Awards:

Donna Daniel, Vice President, and Dr. Jones presented the awards.

Public Affairs:

Twandra Lomax, Vice President of Public Affairs shared comments on the FCS Day at the General Assembly in Richmond on February 6th. No one attended the PILD conference due to the lack of funding.

Dr. Jones asked agents to present posters and presentations during national conferences. He mentioned that there still is \$400 in professional development funds available to support agents attending national conferences.

Other Updates:

President-Elect, Jane Henderson reported on the annual VEAFCFS conference at the Marriot in Richmond, held April 19th-20th. Three colleges participated in the conference this year: Bridgewater College, Virginia State University, and Liberty University. Next year we are looking to have in in March at the Virginia Beach oceanfront.

Installation of new officers:

Karen asked all officers to come forward and officially accept their positions. Please go to: <http://www.intra.ext.vt.edu/fcs/> - click on VEAFCFS for more details.

Adjournment:

Karen Munden adjourned the meeting at 3:45pm.

Minutes submitted by Crystal Barber.