President Shepherd called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

A motion was made by Joyce Cavanaugh, seconded by Marlene Loberecht, that the affiliate dispense reading of the minutes.

Financial Report/Budget: Linda Mock
The treasurer indicated the budget was included in members’ registration packets. Changes have been made or redefined in the budget category. The Technology category has been redefined and made more specific. The savings account balance is $69,627.79. The Affiliate paid $1,250.00 for the Pre-Pack membership. Commended Janet Rodriquez, executive director on her leadership in helping to make the Affiliate more transparent. Linda Mock moved that the 2015-2015 budget be approved as read. Jaylie Beckenhauer seconded. Motion carried.

Officers Reports:
President: Nancy Shepherd -This year was a time to focus on the future of the organization. The Affiliate had conference calls to national and how we should respond to changes that were being discussed. One major focus was to strengthen our student membership. Monthly conference calls were conducted with executive leaders.

President-Elect: Joyce Armstrong -Thanked the body for electing her as President for 2015-2016. Reflected on a year of training. Represented the association at the national AAFCS conference. Participated in the October Leadership Training. Worked with the district levels to support the districts meetings. Denton was declared as FCS Day on Dec. 3. You will be receiving additional information. Worked extensively in our state evaluation process via the Vision Survey. Worked with other stakeholders to address issues of FCS teacher’s shortage at the national and state levels.

Secretary: Joice A. Jeffries reported that her role is to take accurate minutes of all official meetings and share with members. Minutes are distributed via email. Suggested changes are corrected in the minutes. She will be working with Catherine Dutton to get minutes posted on the web.

Treasurer: Linda Mock participated in conference calls and stay on track with the Affiliates’ budget at the state and national levels. She is working more closely with Janet Rodriquez. Logged in 104 items instead of the 50 she had anticipated for the Silent Auction. Members were encouraged to bid on auction items.
Executive Director: Janet Rodriquez welcomed the group on behalf of the Major of San Antonio, The Honorable Ivy R. Taylor. The Executive Director’s role is to watch over the budget and to keep out of trouble with the IRS! The AAFCS Credentialing test arrived today! She provided the association with the chapter’s email address txaafcs@gmail.com

VP Professional Development Elect: Darlene Hicks introduced the vendors and underwriters: The Pampered Chef, Texas Olive, Stella & Dot, Texas Tech University, TWU, North Texas Business Section, Seventy-four people registered for the conference. Twenty-five PDU’s will be awarded to conference participants. Janet Rodriquez will validate PDU’s for members. Recognized Planning Committee: Jeanette Willard, Joyce Cavanagh, Ann Wealty, Jean Chatham. Patty Rombaugh was awarded as the first participant’s to register. Nancy Granovsky received the Early Bird Registration award.

VP Membership: Frances Hare stressed renewal of membership within a timely manner. Renewals are based upon one’s annual joining date. Hare sends AAFCS communications regarding membership to members and non-members. She discussed the benefits of being a member of AAFCS. As of 12/31/2014, we have 301 paid members.

VP Member Relations: Jaylie Beckenhauer
We have six award categories and we have nominations for each category. We will present seven awards tonight. The North Texas Business Section will present two awards to students. Twenty 30-year members will be receiving awards tonight from 6:30-9:30, encouraging members to wear something to represent their heritage. Tafcs.org has listing of Texas Affiliate awards. Nominations are being accepted for these awards: Leader of the Year, Professional of the Year, and Teacher of the Year.

VP Marketing: Catherine Dutton
Dutton has spent a lot of time updating the website and making or social media more user friendly. She reported that TX Affiliate of AAFCS has a thirty percent increase of people following us on the social network!

VP Professional Janis White
The 2016 Conference will be at the Holiday Inn Primer in Bryan/College Station. The group will have access to various places (i.e., George Bush Library). The tentative theme is Sustaining Texas Families.

VP Academic Affairs: Jay Yoo looks forward to serving as Editor. He will send out poll for reviewers shortly. Information will be put online (i.e., research).

VP Public Policy: Lisa Bridwell not present.

NE District Chair: Delicia Church – not present.
NW District Chair: Roxie Godfrey – not present.

SW District: Angela McCorkle- not present.

**SE District Chair:** Barbara Evans
Responsibility for planning the district meeting. Their fall meeting was held in Beaumont, TX.

Finance Committee: Joyce Cavanagh

Audit Committee: Nancy Granovsky

Student Unit: Barbara Allison

**Presentation of Election Results:** Nancy Granovsky filled in for Karen Alexander.
2015-2016 (see feb 26, congratulations email)
President- Elect: Joice A. Jeffries
Secretary: Sandra Duke
Treasure: Linda Mock
    Judy Warren
    Barbara Allison

**Old Business:**
**Vision Survey & AAFCS Academy Model:** Joyce Armstrong said the Vision Survey is posted on website and encouraged members to take survey while members are at the conference. Please stop by the TWU site in the Conference Hallway and complete your survey. Members who took the survey received a PayDay candy bar. Data will be analyzed and a report will be written so that the organization can develop a strategic plan. She attended the Leadership Conference last fall in Arlington, VA and was provided updates regarding restructuring the association. The Conference highlighted state and national level initiatives.

**Task Force:** Nancy Granovsky
Members of the Task Force are, in addition to Granovsky, are Sharon Nicols and Sharon Dragoo. They are reviewing what’s happening with the affiliate and future aspirations of the association. The autonomy of the affiliates may mean that affiliates will grow stronger. Pivotal time for the association.

**Audit Committee:** Nancy Granovsky
Barbara Evans and Granovsky co-chaired the committee. The audit was finished at the SE Conference meeting. The affiliates’ money is well spent and well documented. Two audits for two consecutive years were completed and there were no blemishes.
2017 State Conference: Janet Rodriquez
1. Austin- deleted
2. Ft. Worth
3. Grapevine

Kathryn Bryan moved that we adjourn the 2015 Business meeting. Janis White seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joice A. Jeffries, Secretary