

**AAFCS-TEXAS AFFILIATE
BOARD CONFERENCE CALL
Wednesday, June 10, 2015
Minutes**

Call to Order: Joyce Armstrong, CFCS, President

- The online conference call was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by President Armstrong. President Armstrong reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Roll Call: Sandra Duke, Secretary

- The following members were present: Joyce Armstrong (President), Janet Rodriguez (Executive Director), Nancy Shepherd (Counselor), Sandra Duke (Secretary), Linda Mock (Treasurer), Janis White (VP Professional Development), Frances Hare (VP Membership), Sandra Fowler (NE District Chair), Meilana Charles (NE District Chair-Elect), Joyce Cavanagh (Finance Committee Chair), and Nancy Granovsky (Nominating Committee Chair).
- Not present: Joice Jeffries (President-elect), Judy Warren (VP Professional Development-Elect), Karen Alexander (VP Member Relations), Catherine Dutton (VP Marketing), Roxie Godfrey (VP Public Policy), Jay Yoo (VP Academic Affairs), Greg Thompson (Co-VP Academic Affairs), Angela McCorkle (SE District Chair), Angelina Bencomo (SW District Chair), Kaitlyn Scott (Student Section-Chair), and Barbara Allison (Student Section-Advisor).

Old Business:

Minutes: President Armstrong reported that the minutes from the May phone conference are still in process; they will be sent out prior to the next phone conference scheduled for July 8, 2015 and approved at that time.

Treasurer, Linda L. Mock, CFCS, Treasurer

Linda Mock reported revenue from the State Meeting silent auction (March 4-7, 2015): HUGS \$320.00, Silent Auction 818.00. 1,138 for event. This was less than the committee had planned; \$12-1400.00 was hoped for. Goal for 2016 is 75 – 100 items for silent auction. Mock stated that higher quality items are needed as well as more people to bid on them. Mock gave an overall financial status of the Affiliate as of May 31, 2015:

Current checking: 4,513.59

Outstanding checks: One for \$16.00 to Catherine Dutton

Saving: \$69,635.01

Mock receives a detailed deposit report from AAFCS for dues received.

Follow-up of Approval of State Minutes, Nancy Shepherd, CFCS, Counselor

Nancy Shepherd stated that before the Board could accept the minutes from the State Board Meeting on March, 4, 2015, clarification is needed on some items in the minutes related to the Pre-PAC renewal fee. There was a question about whether or not there had been a vote to approve continued support of Pre-PAC which is co-supported with FCSTAT. Nancy Shepherd

read an abbreviated form of the minutes from the March board meeting. No additional information was provided by members. Joyce Armstrong, president, called for a motion to approve minutes as corrected. Joyce Cavanaugh moved to accept the minutes as corrected and Nancy Granovsky seconded. Minutes from the March 2015 state meeting were accepted.

2015 Pre-PAC Consortium Renewal Fee (\$1250)

Discussion about whether or not to continue contribution to Pre-PAC. Janet Rodriguez, Executive Director, received a request for payment, with a deadline of July 31st. Pre-Pac testing will continue through June 30, 2015. An annual Pre-Pac report is forthcoming from AAFCS after the June testing cycle.

Nancy Granovsky asked if the Pre-PAC cost was in the budget approved for this fiscal year. Rodriguez explained that it was not in the budget. She stated that in past years it has been paid out of savings account. Joyce Cavanaugh recommended that the Board start thinking about how the cost will be covered in the future. Granovsky suggested that there would be an inflow from savings into checking with payment made from checking to have a trail and help us remember. Rodriguez reported that last July, she transferred money from savings to the general budget. Then Pre-PAC was paid through the general budget. Nancy Shepherd made a motion to pay AAFCS \$1250.00 for Pre-PAC and Joyce Cavanaugh seconded. The motion passed. PrePAC will continue to be funded through the current fiscal year.

AAFCS Texas Affiliate Task Force, Nancy Granovsky, chair

Nancy Granovsky reported that only 2 of 3 members are members of AAFCS and she proposed two additional people named to the task force. She further stated that Sharon Nichols may have some input at Jacksonville during National Meeting. She added that decisions need to be made about where “we want to head as a state affiliate. I would like to know how national is shaking out with discussion about change of structure for the association”. Granovsky proposed four members for task force, suggesting that it would be appropriate for the immediate past president to serve on the task force.

Vision Survey Response and Strategic Plan – Joyce Armstrong, CFCS, President

This item connects to the Task Force. Joyce Armstrong will send this report to Nancy Granovsky to help with the strategic plans for the future. Part of the strategic plan is to do more visioning. Armstrong stated that the value of the survey is input from a large segment of our membership. Granovsky asked to have these results before going to Jacksonville (end of June). It is critical to look at member perceptions and the time has been well invested. Armstrong will share the results at the July board meeting in College Station.

2016 98th State Conference, Janis White, CFCS, VPPD

Janis White reported that the 2016 state general arrangement committee had a great meeting in Bryan/College Station on April 18, 2015. They viewed the host hotel property and got some questions answered. They are working on securing speakers.

VP Academic Affairs – Jay Yoo/Greg Thompson

Joyce Armstrong presented the report from Academic Affairs: Jay Yoo and Greg Thompson have been working with Catherine Dutton to get information on the website. Armstrong stated “We are looking forward to Jay leading us in getting our academic affairs agenda going.”

New Business:

Roster Verification, Joyce Armstrong

President Armstrong asked that the board please look at the list and make sure their information is correct and to add cell phone numbers for texting. Updated contact information should be sent to Janet Rodriguez, Executive Director. Frances Hare, VP Membership, asked if it would be helpful to send a current membership roster to board members each quarter. It was agreed, therefore Hare will send the roster quarterly.

Catherine Dutton will be sending an email within a couple of days with instructions for how to get to register for member only site on website.

Annual Plan of Work and Accomplishments

Sandra Duke, Secretary, will send out information to board members to get goals, accomplishments, plan of work.

North Texas Business Section –Board Representation

According to new Board information, the North Texas Business Section is not currently represented on the board. President Armstrong, in thinking about members having access to the board thought they might need a board seat. Rationale – they are an active part of the association and make major contributions at district and state level. They function a little more independently – all members pay national dues, embrace the initiatives in strategic plan, and have been a real partner, in handbook it states the board includes representatives from each section. Discussion: changes in bylaws to reflect national bylaws which no longer reflects divisions. Nancy Shepherd asked if this action set a precedent for adding additional groups to the board. Janet Rodriguez suggested tabling this issue to the next conference call. In the meantime Armstrong will go back and look at most recent handbook and bylaws information. Joyce Cavanaugh suggested that the bylaws be consulted. If we have an active group that is making a major contribution how can we allow them more access? Looking at being inclusive if at all possible.

Summer Board Meeting, Janet Rodriguez, Executive Director, sent information about Summer Board meeting via email on May 22, 2015.

106th Annual National Conference, Janet Rodriguez

Janet Rodriguez, Executive Director, shared donation opportunities for the National Conference:

- Silent Auction Donation “Sun & Sandals”
- Wolfson Children’s Hospital & Donation of cartoon-themed, latex-free adhesive bandages – Student Section – Kaitlynn Scott

Current registration for National Conference is 554. EASE is moving forward with silent auction. Rodriguez asked that donations be sent to her before Saturday June 7th. Rodriguez reported that dinner reservations for the Texas Delegation have been made at the Chart House for June 26th. The restaurant is only accessible by water taxi and she is making arrangements for the water taxi.

100th State Conference in 2018

President Armstrong reminded board to keep in mind that the 100 conference is coming up in just two and a half years (2018). We want to get a jump on planning.

Officer Updates:

- Student Section, Kaitlynn Scott, Chair & Barbara Allison, Advisor
- Northeast District – Sandra Fowler & Meilana Charles
 - Reported on NE District Meeting: is Sept 11, Friday in McKinney – lots of exciting speakers, save the date reminders forthwith. Janet is working on getting district level lists to each district chair.
- Northwest District –
- Southeast District – Angela McCorkle
- Southwest District – Angelina Bencomo

Conference call was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Next Conference call meeting: Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at 4:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Duke, Ph.D.
Secretary