

MINUTES
ASSEMBLY OF MEMBERS
AAFCS-TX State Conference Friday, March 7, 2014
Hyatt Regency North Dallas Richardson, Texas

President Mary Olle called the Assembly of Members to order at 10:35 a.m., Friday, March 7, 2014.

President Olle welcomed members to the meeting and asked for a brief moment of silence to honor and remember members who have passed away.

President Elect Nancy Shepherd announced there was a sign up sheet being passed for members to indicate their interests and skills that they would share with affiliate committees.

Minutes of the Assembly of Members March 8, 2013 was given to members as they entered the room. **Secretary Frances Hare, CFCS moved that the minutes be approved as printed. Kathryn Bryan, CFCS made the second. Motion passed.**

President's Report

President Olle gave an overview of the year with the resignation of Executive Director Natalie Kneseck, CFCS effective September 30, hiring and resignation of Executive Director Mallory Batch in January, and hiring of Executive Director Janet Rodriguez, CFCS in February. With Rodriguez as Executive Director, her former office of VP Professional Development is now vacant. Olle asked for volunteers for the position to contact her after the meeting. Olle reported that Donna Pharris resigned as Treasurer and that Patti Rambo, CFCS as Finance Committee Chair will fill the position until May 31 when the incoming Treasurer term begins. Joyce Cavanagh, CPFFE will be the Finance Committee Chair June 1, 2014 - May 31, 2015, which would normally be the outgoing Treasurer. President Olle expressed her sincere thanks for everyone pulling together to get through these challenges. Joyce Armstrong, CFCS, VP Professional Development and Sheri Dragoo, General Arrangements Chair were recognized and commended for a successful State Conference. Officers were thanked for their support, encouragement, and work during the year. President Olle presented certificates to the officers and Board members.

Financial Report

Patti Rambo, CFCS Finance Committee Chair, reported as of March 6, 2014, the checking account balance of \$16,842.47; and savings account balance \$70,815.80. Total in both accounts is \$87,658.27. The Proposed Budget for 2014-2015 will be discussed under New Business.

Officers Reports

- Executive Director, Janet Rodriguez, CFCS thanked everyone for the opportunity to be Executive Director. She reported 62 registered for the conference.
- President Elect Nancy Shepherd reported her activities including supporting the Board of Directors through the transitions and changes. She attended National Conference and Senate Meeting, as well as the Leadership Conference with other affiliates' leaders regarding the academy concept being considered for AAFCS. Shepherd is one of six affiliate leaders voted

to participate as “first line callers” about the academy concept providing feed back to national from the state affiliates.

- VP Professional Development Joyce Armstrong, CFCS reported her year planning the State Conference. There are 18 PDU’s with 3.25 CPFFE PDU’s, and 8 hours of pre-conference professional development for officers. There are eight exhibitors at the conference, two sessions of Zumba offered, and there are over 80 items donated for the Silent Auction. For the first time in many years there will be a post conference workshop.
- VP Elect Professional Development report was given by Janet Rodriguez, CFCS. Since she is now Executive Director, the VP position is vacant. She has done some initial planning for the 2015 State Conference in San Antonio. She asked for volunteers to fill the position.
- VP Member Relations Tyler Smith reported all is ready for the Awards Banquet. He thanked Jaylie Beckenhauer, CFCS and Nancy Shepherd for their help.
- VP Academic Affairs Lisa Kennon reported there are four oral presentations and five poster presentations at this conference. The call for manuscripts for the *Texas Family & Consumer Sciences Journal* will be coming soon on the Web site.
- Counselor Jaylie Beckenhauer, CFCS expressed her joy with working with the Board and membership as Counselor and as President Elect and President. Updating the Bylaws has been her responsibility this year.
- Northeast District Chair Janice Moore reported the district met October 11 at the TWU Dallas Campus. The theme was “Linking Families and Communities: Helping Families Manage Change.” Topics included Experiential Learning, The Power of Pork (from national speakers bureau), Palliative Care, and The Phenomenon of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren. There were 40 in attendance including several students.
- Southeast District Chair Janis White, CFCS reported the district met October 18 at Sam Houston State University with the theme, “Making the Most of What We Have.” Topics included eating behaviors, slow food movement and mega trends. The afternoon session was a tour of several houses made entirely of recycled materials. There were 20 participants.
- Northwest District Chair Roxie Godfrey reported the district met February 12 at Texas Tech with the theme, “Loving and Sustaining the Profession.” President of the Texas Tech Student Unit made a presentation about their very active organization. A doctoral student spoke on a recruitment program she has developed.
- Community Representative - Sherry Price explained that Communities are divided into Professional Settings and Subject Matter. To join a Community, members must go to the AAFCS Web site Community page and select a Community. Price encouraged members to join for the opportunities of networking and for resources to help with projects and problems. Kim Kamin, CFCS is the representative for Professional Settings Community.

Presentation of Election Results

President Olle thanked the Nominating Committee for their diligence in finding nominees for the offices. Nominating Committee was Judy Warren, CFCS Chair; Carrie Brazeal, CFCS; Karen Alexander; and Michelle Jones. Olle presented certificates to the committee. Executive Director Rodriguez, CFCS gave the election results.

President Elect 2014-15 - Joyce Armstrong, CFCS
Secretary 2014-15 - Joice Jeffries
Treasurer 2014-15 - Linda Mock, CFCS

NE Dist Chair 2014-15 - Delicia Church, CFCS
NE Dist Chair Elect 2014-15 - Roxanne Gipe
NW Dist Chair 2014-15 - Roxie Godfrey

VP Elect Prof Dev 2014-15 - Janis White, CFCS	SE Dist Chair 2014-15 - Barbara Evans, CPFFE
VP Marketing 2014-16- LaQuanna Sparkman	SE Dist Chair Elect 2014-15 - Angela McCorkle
VP Membership 2014-16 - Frances Hare, CFCS Ret.	SW District Chair 2014-15 - Analine Guin
	Nominating Committee 2014-2016 - Nancy Granovsky, CPFFE; Betty Davenport; Bernadette Webre

Recognition of Underwriters

VP Professional Development Armstrong, CFCS thanked the underwriters for the State Conference:

- North Texas Business Section AAFCS-TX Affiliate - Friday General Session
- Sam Houston State University, Family and Consumer Sciences - Closing Session
- Texas Woman's University, Programs in Fashion and Textiles - Networking Luncheon
- Texas Woman's University, Family Sciences - Opening Session
- AAFCS-TX Student Unit - Invited Guest Session, Dr. Tracy Levins, Texas Juvenile Justice Department, Austin, TX

Recognition of AAFCS Leaders from Texas

President Elect Shepherd recognized Texas members in national leadership positions:

Gay Nell McGinnis, CFCS - AAFCS	Nancy Granovsk, CPFFE - Finance Committee
Nancy Shepherd - Membership Committee	Norma Dagley, CFCS - ACPAC Member
Karen Alexander - Coalition for FCS Educ.	Marie Saracino - Ethics Committee
Roxie Godfrey - Membership Committee & Community Coordinating Team	Brittany Ogden - Student Unit Secretary

Shepherd thanked Karen Watkins, CFCS and Natalie Knesek, CFCS as past Executive Directors and all of the Past Presidents for their work and contributions to the success of the affiliate. All were asked to stand to be recognized.

Old Business

President Olle announced that student dues for Texas were reduced from \$70 to \$60 to align with the other state affiliates.

New Business

- Finance Committee Chair, Patti Rambo, CFCS presented the 2014-2015 Proposed Budget which the Executive Committee and Board of Directors have discussed. Kathryn Bryan, CFCS asked that Rambo highlight any changes made from the previous budget. Advertising Income is zero because there are no plans to solicit ads at this time; reduction in Operating Expenses due to increased use of electronic communication. Executive Committee decided to itemize more of the expenses to make them easier to trace. **Rambo moved to accept the 2014-2015 Proposed Budget as presented. Jaylie Beckenhauer made the second. Motion passed.**
- Counselor Jaylie Beckenhauer, CFCS presented the Proposed Bylaws Amendments. Members were sent the proposals by email and mail earlier; copies were displayed in the entrance area to the meeting room; and copies were on the tables. Beckenhauer explained that most of the changes are required by national and do not actually require a vote. Other

changes were in format and to clarify wording/meaning, and to allow electronic voting in the future. Members without email addresses will continue to receive mailings from the affiliate. Everyone was encouraged to update their email and other contact information on the AAFCS Web site. There are two major changes: 1) To include emeritus members as eligible to hold office which is different from national, but states are allowed to set their eligibility rules; 2) District officer elections will be held at the District Meetings, not on the state ballot.

Beckenhauer moved that the Proposed Bylaws Amendments be approved as presented. Tyler Smith made the second. Motion passed.

- President Elect Shepherd gave the PowerPoint presentation on the most recent proposal for the academy model. This is being presented at the other state affiliates' conferences across the country. She commended the national leaders for having strengths and abilities to look further out to the future for the organization. The PowerPoint presentation was prepared by the national leaders and the Executive Director. Shepherd asked the membership to discuss these three questions during the networking luncheon and share at the Saturday morning session with Joyce Armstrong, CFCS and Gay Nell McGinnis, CFCS: 1) What do you appreciate about the strategies for change? 2) What are your professional and personal concerns about the strategies? 3) What more would you like to know about these strategies for change? Tomorrow, members will be provided a Web link for a survey concerning the academy concept.
- Secretary Hare, CFCS presented the redesigned Web site. It will be launched in the next few weeks.

Announcements

- Members were encouraged to shop the Silent Auction and visit the exhibitors. Members can enter a drawing for District Meeting Registration by having exhibitors sign the Exhibitor List. Winner will be announced at the Saturday meeting.
- Instructions were given for the Networking Luncheon.

Kathryn Bryan, CFCS moved the meeting be adjourned. Lisa Kennon made the second. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Hare

Frances Hare, CFCS Retired
Secretary