

**KEAFCS Fall Meeting
K-State Union Big 12 Room
October 15, 2007**

The KEAFCS Fall Meeting was called to order by President, Melinda Daily, on October 15, 2007 at 2 p.m. in the K-State Union Big 12 Room. Members were asked to complete membership forms for the coming year and an envelope was passed around with a card for donations for Pam Muntz, Kiowa County FCS Agent, who lost her home in the May tornado.

Roll call was taken by passing around an attendance sign in sheet. Final number in attendance was 74 members.

Denise Dias passed chocolates to celebrate receiving her Masters Degree in June. Bev Dunning passed chocolates for her 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Melinda introduced Pat McNally, Assistant Director & State Program Leader, 4-H Youth Development; Pat Murphy, Interim Assistant Director, Extension Ag and Natural Resources; and Paula Peters, Assistant Director, Extension FCS. Paula talked about a new state wide reporting system which is almost ready to test. Lori Chandler is also on this committee. It will be quarterly based on the state system and they will have training updates on the system. Pat McNally discussed the new IRS regulations. Congress changed reporting for non profit organizations regardless of amount of money raised. 4-H clubs will need to file a 990 form. State will sign off and certify all state 4-H Clubs after each county submits information. EIN number and a letter for general exemption should have been requested by each club. The State has just recently received a list of each club from National and will be sending out a letter to all counties. A response of current clubs, councils, etc. will need to be returned to the State 4-H Office by November 12. Pat Murphy discussed new Professional Development and professional growth.

Jean Clarkson-Frisbie moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website, Mary Sullivan seconded. Motion carried. There were five thank you notes received and read.

Karla Hightower, Treasurer gave a treasurer's report of \$550.35 in checking, have CD's of \$6,318.97, \$10,282.12 and \$5,117.33 for a total of \$22,268.77 in Association funds. She also reported the dues at the National level were increasing by \$10 for this year. Cindy Evans moved to approve the Treasurer's report, Donna Preisner 2nd Motion carried.

Carol Ann Crouch did the annual report for the year. Copies were e-mailed and also available at this meeting. She will have the annual report available to post on the website but will remove the budget report from it.

Richard Fechter, Ag. Agents Association member, joined the meeting and spoke about their association hosting the national 2011 Extension Ag. Agents Association meeting in Overland Park, August 7-11. He was asking for help from our association. Bev D. said in the past we have helped with tours and funding. Their association helped when we hosted our national meeting in the past too.

Reports of Officers

Melinda gave her President's report. Most of it is in the annual report but she said it was a great opportunity and she really enjoyed the opportunity to attend the PLID and JCEP conference and getting to know other agents.

President-Elect - Nadine Sigle - in the Annual Report

Secretary - Ethel Schneweis - minutes are being posted on website

Treasurer - Karla Hightower - in Annual Report and will update membership list.

VP Award and Recognition - Mary Sullivan - in Annual Report

VP Public Affairs - Diane Burnett - in Annual Report

VP Professional Development - Nancy Honig - none

VP Member Resources - Donna Krug - in Annual Report

Area Counselor Reports

NE - Cindy Evans - the newsletter had bio's of the new agents in her area. Karen Elliott has resigned. Karen passed chocolates for her retirement.

NW - Carla Morical Frederking - Allie Burns new to Phillips and Rooks Counties. Friendship Night will be held at the Wooden Nichel – if anyone needs directions she has some, remember to wear name tags. Have 101 registered to attend.

SE - Kathy McEwan - newsletter has bio's of 3 new agents in area.

SW - Donna Preisner - Kristen Penner is just new to Haskell County and Jennifer Tieymeyer, Barber County has resigned.

Committee Reports

Audit - Bev Dunning - audit committee will be getting together soon.

Budget - Karla H. Budget is basically the same with just some minor changes. Rest is in annual report.

Constitution, By-Laws and Policy - Nadine S. - no changes, but it was mentioned that the history committee has a chair, with the VP overseeing it.

Nominating and Newsletter - Cindy E. - nominated members were listed in the newsletter. 31 members voted. New Officers are: President Elect - Lori Sporer, Secretary - Ethel Schneweis, VP for Awards and Recognition - Robin Eubank, VP for Professional Development - Mary Sullivan, NW Area Counselor - Kathy Lupfer-Nielson and NE Area Counselor - Cindy Evans.

Program of Work Committees

Membership - Amy Collins - no report

New Agent Orientation - Laurie Chandler - report in Annual Report, but also gave information on upcoming Mentoring Workshops.

History - Mary Fran Richmond - no report

Retirement - Nancy Nelson - Books have been placed in community libraries for retirees.

Awards and Recognition

Professional Development - Pat Gerhardt - in Annual Report

Program Awards - Robin Eubank - several applications

Communications and Public Relations Awards - Cindy Evans - winners will be announced at Friendship Night.

Scholarship/Friend of FCS/First Timers Stipend - Lisa Long - 2 first time awards were given, no applications for other awards. Think about next year.

Professional Development

Research and Studies - Linda Walter - no report

Marketing - Denise Sullivan - no report, Melinda suggested we need to market our association to new agents more.

United Conference - Nadine S. And Jan Stephens - February 28-29 in Wichita. Board has discussed moving our association back to this meeting instead of having at winter FCS update, but decided to leave at update. Jan encourages everyone to also join the KAFCS and would like our association meeting held back with the United Conference. Last year our association had 22 people attend and we received \$1200 back from registration fees.

Public Affairs - Jan St. Clair - no report

Other Committees

Fashion Revue - SE Area - no report

KAFCE representatives - Martha Flanagan - had a report which was passed out to members.

See attached

4-H Youth Advisory - Diane Nielsen will be representative in 2009.

FCS Action Team - Tara Soloman and Ann Sparkes reported on a Bread Workshop and State Fair Judging.

Unfinished Business

Bills - Melinda presented bills for officer initiation expenses. Friendship Night expenses will be submitted too.

Chocolates were passed around by Diane Gerstner and Carolyn Andres for new granddaughter and a new grandson.

Drawing was held for \$10 off membership dues for nine members: They are: Pat Gerhardt - River Valley, Barbara Stockebrand - Woodson, Joy Purkaypile - new agent for Linn County, Mary Sullivan - Grant, Nicole Burnett - new agent for Johnson, Kathy Bloom - new agent for Seward, Robin Eubank- River Valley, Diane Burnett - Miami and Joann Paschal - Russell.

New Business:

Dues increase was discussed. Cindy Evans suggested encouraging members to go to United Conference and then give back to those going to this by having a reduced dues to those attending. Robin Eubank moved to raise dues the \$10 and in 2008 those members attending the United Conference meeting will receive a reduce membership fee in 2008 by \$20. Cindy Evans seconded. Motion passed.

Reception for Retiree's will be suggested to Paula.

National Endowment Fund for Professional and Leadership Development - Jean Clarkson-Frisbie said they are hoping to raise \$300,000 by 2009. \$90,000 endowed as of now. Encourage members to give to this Fund.

Living Well Challenge was also discussed by Jean.

Andrea Wood passed chocolate to announce her pregnancy. Lori Sporer passed chocolates for daughter who is a cheerleader here at KSU and HS daughter. K-State Calendars are also being sold by cheerleaders. Virginia Barnard passed chocolates for new baby.

Fiber Arts Extravaganza - Lisa Long - hope to try for a tour for the end of January or February.

Tara Solomon passed out 4-H Program Rally reminders.

Melinda reminded committee chairmans to pass on notebooks to new chairmans for next year.

Other announcements included: Women Managing the Farm Conference - Feb. 9-10, Walk Kansas meeting at 3 p.m. in Forum Hall tomorrow. Dept. Head Meeting at 4:15 p.m. today.

Meeting adjourned.

Ethel Schneweis
Secretary