

Opening Board Meeting Annual Conference, Charlotte 8-22-07

Crystal called the meeting to order and noted a correction to the agenda as presented. Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurers Report:
\$5051.01 Operating
\$2644.60 – Enrichment
513.92 – Money Market shares
\$43.80 – Shares Account
Treasurers report accepted.

Committee Reports:

Annual Conference – Danielle Barco reporting. Thanked SW for hosting. Workshops – 8 different workshops with a 2-hour workshop on Balancing Work and Family.

Constitution – Joyce Watts reporting. We will be voting on a constitutional change at business meeting. Joyce cautioned committee chairs to take a look at the constitution and make sure that we take actions on recommendations that come forth at Winter Board based on procedure outlined in Constitution. Need final copies of reports to go to Carolyn Langley so committees can note work that has happened in the past.

Diversity – no report

Finance – Angela Shaver reporting. \$1000 has been donated to Ag. Association for Sons and Daughters program for National Conference. Angela reviewed the Centennial Challenge which challenges the district associations to each contribute a \$1000 to the Enrichment Fund Endowment so the association can reach the goal of \$100,000 by 2009. NW has met challenge and contributed \$1000 toward Enrichment Fund Endowment. Other districts have indicated they have plans to contribute. Budget requests for new committee chairs due following breakfast on the last day of meeting. There will be an auction on Dec. 4 as part of Family/Youth Summit. Donors will determine whether funds go to the FCS or 4-H fund. If you want to donate an item, contact Michael Martin.

Membership – Jennifer Grable reporting. There will be a new member orientation during the state meeting. State membership 178 and 164 National members with 12 new since December.

Nominating – Spring Williams reporting. Will be opening floor for the nomination of an additional candidate for secretary. Will need a representative from each district to pass out ballots for voting.

Dale Safrit – Committee report given by Donna Mull as submitted via e-mail from Dale Safrit.

Programs – Disappointed at the examples of program examples shared, but will have copies to share with membership. Noted the number of members that seemed to be on the committee but not actively participating in committee. Crystal suggested contacting the district to find out status of person.

PRI – Jeannette Schuszler reporting. Marketing 4-H is top priority. Recommended that new Marketing Person attend state meeting – she was invited but could not attend and did not seem very knowledgeable of 4-H. Agents were requested to bring marketing materials to state meeting to share. Jeannette also shared a concern that the committee had a good meeting at Winter Board but it was difficult to get response from committee members after committee meeting time. Recommended looking at the committee responsibility and add new areas of relevance.

Rapport – Brandy Boaz reporting. Sarah Kotzian, chair and Terri Boast chair-elect. Thanked Carolyn Langley for her technical help.

Recognition – Robbie reporting. Award 34 applications sent to regionals. Will invoice Association for award expenses and they are over budget. Will be teaching a workshop at State Conference. The committee was in communication with treasurer in advance about exceeding the budget. Never know the total due because they pay for some people to assist with awards

Historian - Richard Freeman reporting. Made a printed copy of how to access archives.

District Reports:

NC – Will be making a contribution to Centennial Challenge. Elected new district association officers. Director is

NE – Juanita Bailey reporting. Spring meeting in Chowan county with program on GIS and mapping presented by Science House. Will be making contribution for Centennial Challenge. Kayleen Burgess had a baby boy. Officers – Kayleen Burgess, President.

NW – Barb Dunn Swanson reporting. Met April 10 in Winston. Discussed Winter Board and did evaluations. NW will have some incoming state committee chairs and they need training to help them have a good understanding about their roles. Spring added that this was the reason for the New Officer Training that will be held this year. Incoming officers
President– Melissa Stabner
President – Elect – Ben Silliman

SC – Roshunda Blount reporting. Elected new officers. Anson Co. Science ctr. did a tour and program.

SE – Tammy Boyd – April 27 in Kinston. Planning for Winter Board Feb. 26-27 in Kinston. Planned multi-county trip to Jamestown and Williamsburg. Four weddings for agents in district. Bridget Kirk will be new President for District.

SW – Robbie Furr welcomed everyone. The district has been planning the meeting in Charlotte. Heather Jones is a new agent in Cabarrus County.

West – Heather James reporting. Met on April 5 in Fletcher. Ed Maxa attended as new district liason. Wrote a response to the new Shannon Coleman, President.

Unfinished Business:

Website Directory – not much new. Still working

Enrichment Development. Fund –still in works

Ag. Agents request – done

Ag. Foundation Request - done

Recognition Request – Joyce said we need action for recommendation. Spring said it was approved by board. Needs to be changed in policy and also needs to get to Carolyn Langley to change in web site.

Committee Chairs as voting members on board – Need 2/3 vote Ex-officio members are appointed. Sent out an e-mail to make membership aware of needed vote by required date with current constitution wording and proposed change. Change would committee chairs and Historian to vote.

New Business:

Federation Title Change – many responses and each response sent to correct person in Federation.

Question about Non-Member Fee for Conference Registration – Question about where does money go? Does money need to go to state association or conference. Spring suggested it be added to constitution about Overage Fund.

FCS/4-H Joint meeting – someone questioned about the status. Crystal will share response with Dr. Stewart and see if other action needed.

Announcements:

Dec. 14 – Federation meeting. 10 people needed to represent Association and will get some at closing meeting.

Feb. 26-27 – Winter Board in Kinston.

April – PILD in Crystal City.

NC will host Annual Meeting in possibly Roanoke Rapids.

