



North Carolina Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences

**The Professional Association for North Carolina Cooperative Extension
Family & Consumer Sciences Educators**

NCEAFCS Executive Board Meeting/Call Meeting December 5, 2007 Sheraton Hotel, Durham, NC 4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Wicker. The issue for discussion was Redistricting. The Executive Board was brought together to discuss the new district options. The options were to stay in the current 7 Districts or come up with a new plan for the new 6 Districts. There is no policy in place with the By-Laws or handbook to comply with new Administrative Districts when they are changed. The last time changes occurred concerning districts was in 1999-By-Laws Section 111 article one.

The Secretary's Association has a note in their By-Laws to change their District Association when the Districts are changed by Administration. The 4-H Association also changes with the Administrative changes. Karen commented Dr. Cobb would like to see us put something in place.

Comments from each district:

Candace Murray, North Central District—maybe not decide new rotation system until the 2009 state meeting. Possibly have officer rotation worked out by then.

Susan Chase, Northeast—district stayed the same but picked up 3 counties.

Janelle Kent, Northwest—District is split in half. Would like to see district stay the same.

Molly Alexi, South Central—All for change. Lost one county and gained 2 counties.

Trudy Pickett, (RB initials) Southeast District—fine with new counties. Got 2 counties but don't want state meeting.

Renee Knapp, Western District—gained 2 counties.

Leigh Guth, Southwest—willing to make necessary changes. We will lose some of our District officers, but willing to start over with new officers.

The major concern is the state committees and how they will align with any new changes in District lines.

Dr. Carolyn Dunn said we didn't need to rush our decision. She had talked with Drs. Stewart and Cobb and they felt we needed to align with the new districts. It would be easier for the district directors.

Nancy Abasiekong said we have changed district alignments each time we have made District changes. We adjusted the state officers and made adjustments with district Funds.

Several members said we probably need to follow through 2009 office year. We're losing the Northwest district. The current office structure is set through 2012.

Nancy Abasiekong, Karen Wicker and Renee Knapp will look at redesigning the Rotation Chart for

Officers and Committee Chairs. We may need to adopt a By-Law change. 2010 was suggested as to reflect the new Officer structure.

Dr. Dunn suggested not changing the By-Laws. Need to keep some flexibility. 2009 North Central District will host the state meeting.

Candace has talked to Robin Roper about ECA and they will change their Districts in 2009.

Karen asked if anyone had any agenda items for the Executive Board Meeting to please email them to her.

Peggie Garner said the question had come up about 4-H and FCS combining their Annual State Meetings. Karen and Peggie had asked about meeting with 4-H and Administration and this has not happened. But will try to get this rescheduled.

Dr. Dunn would like to discuss on the agenda about FCS agents being on the Leadership Team for Eat Smart, Move More.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Karen Wicker, President
Deborah J. Howard, Secretary