

Alpha Kappa Chapter Board Meeting

Friday, September 22, 2017

9:00amCST/10:00amEST

Via Lync

The meeting was called to order by President, Annette Heisdorffer at 9:03am CST/10:03amEST.

Introductions by those present: Cherry Kay Smith, Linda Combs, Robert Tashjian, Annette Heisdorffer, Jeremy Teal, Nanette Banks, Amanda Dame, Lisa Hagman, Katie Alexander, Donna Fryman, Lyndall Harned, Sara Brandl, Sheila Fawbush, Dora Webb, Judy Hetterman, Sally Mineer, Lynnette Allen, Amanda Hardy, Louie Rivers.

Minutes: Minutes were emailed prior to the meeting and posted on the ESP website.

Robert Tashjian made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Lynnette Allen. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Donna Fryman gave the treasurer's report, the report was posted on the ESP website and emailed out prior to the meeting. Starting balance was \$10,774.79, ending balance \$7,538.10. Deposits, large amount of deposits from retirees account to write check for endowment fund for retirees. No longer have retiree scholarship fund in our account since moved to endowment fund. Motion made by Lyndall Harned, second by Linda Combs, motion passed.

TR Bryant scholarship: \$89,620.24 as of 6/30/2016.

Administrative Remarks: Cherry Kay Smith reported that Dr. Palmer's comments continue to be positive regarding the listening sessions. She noted that all the associations are working together thru JCEP to collect information via survey and have a face to face meeting with Dean Cox next week. Effective Oct. 1, Dr. Jennifer Hunter will be interim director for FCS extension and Ricky Yeargan will be Interim Assistant Director for Agriculture and Natural Resources. UK internal audit has prompted a few changes that will enable consistency throughout the state, business and human resource practices, will be hearing more.

Reports:

Professional Development: Amanda Hardy reported that the committee has met to discuss the upcoming annual meeting and in-service. In the planning stages, looking at possible dates of March 20 and 21. Still looking at speakers, and possible location around Lexington area. She asked about getting membership early this year, to know and have better idea of how many new members and idea of number of people who would be attending, due to the possible increase with dues being able to be paid out of professional development funds.

They are looking at serving lunch both days, having morning refreshments, and give out a marketing item to members like last year.

Donna Fryman said dues may be different this year, national wants all dues paid online then they reimburse the states the additional amount. National plans to start online dues in November, Donna will find out more at the national meeting in October. She noted that we have 110 members, not including lifetime members. It has been suggested to have meeting in Extension Office nearby, committee is looking into it. Sally Mineer will give Amanda Hardy some suggestions of offices nearby that could hold the amount people we are expecting.

Cherry Kay Smith gave additional comments about the speaker Ken Jones had suggested for the annual meeting. He was energetic and gave good information on motivation on working with community organizations, but not as much individual motivation.

Scholarships, Grants & Recognition: Julie Brown not present. No report.

Marketing: Sally Mineer reported that the marketing committee will be meeting shortly. They will work with Amanda Hardy about a nicer marketing item to give to members.

Resource Development: Dora Webb reported that she is thinking about after Christmas, sending out a flyer to remind people about bringing items for silent auction items for the annual meeting (after Christmas sales, maybe unwanted gifts etc.). Annette suggested she send a paragraph about silent auction items for the newsletter that will be sent to Debbie Shepherd.

Retirees: Jeanne Davis, not present, Charlene Jacobs representing her. She reported that retiree scholarship will not be available till 2018. They raised amount needed for endowment fund.

Membership Recruitment: Dana Anderson, not present. Lynnette Allen mentioned that she spoke to Dana about getting list of eligible staff members and agents who are eligible to join ESP. Annette has spoken with Dana about working with Ag Communication about doing a video of ESP members saying creed.

Public Issues: Tyrone Gentry sent his report via email. At the national ESP conference, there will be a workshop on elevator speeches and opportunity to participate in their Elevator Speaking contest. Kentucky has had a national winner previously, can we repeat?!! The national committee organized three webinars with one remaining on September 27 on Health Disparities and Inequalities. The national committee is working towards offering the "Communicating Our Value" session during the national conference and will be working on a webinar to help prepare participants for the 2018 PILD Conference. The dates of the PILD conference are listed on the agenda, April 2-5, 2018 with the conference being held in Arlington, VA. The deadline for those interested in electronic submission for PILD Scholarships is December 1. More information about PILD will be shared with members once it is released by national.

Chapter Relations: Nanette Banks reported that everything is updated with the Historical Report. Now since Dr. Henning is no longer sending updates on who has resigned, retired etc., she doesn't know where to get that information. Cherry Kay Smith said Human Resources provides us with that information on a monthly basis. The Historical Report is on a flash drive that can be passed to next committee chair to keep up with everything.

Global Relations: Steven Musen, not present. No report.

Newsletter: Deborah Shepherd not present. Annette reported that the newsletter deadline is October 5th. Anything for newsletter needs to be sent to Debbie by October 5th.

Reports from all Area Contacts:

Administration: Cherry Kay Smith gave report earlier in meeting.

Bluegrass: Ray Tackett, not present. No report.

Fort Harrod: Jay Hettmansperger, not present. No report.

Green River: Lisa Hagman reported that Hancock County is waiting on KSU FCS agent to be filled in county. McLean County is without Ag Agent and 4-H agent.

Kentucky State University: Louie Rivers reported that President Dr. M. Christopher Brown, II was appointed the 18th president of Kentucky State University. They are finalizing their strategic plan. Priority program areas are Small Farm Development, Urban Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources, Community Health, Nutrition, Youth Development, Financial Management & Family Well-Being, and Community Leadership Development. New On-Campus Faculty and Staff: Ashley Bates, Extension Assistant-Media & Communication

Dr. Richard Cristan, Assistant Professor/Forestry Specialist

Gill Finley, Community Resource Development Specialist

Dr. Travella Free, Assistant Professor/4H Youth Development Specialist

Anitha Kisanga, Extension Associate-4H Youth Development

Derek Law, Extension Associate-Ornamental Horticulture

Nilima Mishra, Extension Associate- Dietetics & Human Nutrition

Christianah Ogunade, Extension Associate-Program & Staff Development

Dr. Mike Ogunade, Assistant Professor/Livestock Nutrition Specialist

Dr. Leigh Whittinghill, Assistant Professor, Urban Agriculture Specialist

Dr. Allison Young, Associate Professor, Family and Consumer Science Specialist

New County Based Staff: Erica Lacour-Thompson, 4-H Christian County, Patrice Thompson, 4-H Jefferson County, Louie Milligan, 4-H Jefferson County. One resignation, Monique Pearce-Brady, Family Consumer Sciences, Jefferson County.

Lake Cumberland: Tony Rose, not present. Lynnette Allen had LC report; changes in agents: Wayne County FCS agent resigned, went back to teaching, Pam York, Russell County FCS retired, Nick Roy, Adair County ANR agent welcomed a baby boy on July 17, Nelson County 4-H agent is expecting a baby girl in January.

Licking River: Hannah Leonard not present. Donna Fryman reported that Robertson County agent resigned.

Lincoln Trail: Lynnette Allen reported that they want to congratulate Grayson County for winning the Randall Barnett award, Nelson County FCS agent position is vacant, Washington County ANR position is vacant, and they are working on Fall Leader Forum on November 3rd.

Louisville: Sheila Fawbush reported that Louisville area is in good shape, they are wanting to put bilingual agent in Shelby County. She stated that the Friend of Extension Award comes from Louisville area this year and wanted to know who to check with to see who had won it from their area in the past. It was suggested she check with Julie Brown.

Mammoth Cave: Julie Brown not present, no report.

Northern Kentucky: Judy Hetterman reported that Katie Trump had twins, Sherri Broderick had a boy. The Boone County ANR agent position is vacant, Campbell County 4-H agent position is vacant, and Owen County 4-h and ANR are vacant but they are in the process of hiring an agent that will be 80% 4-H and 20% ANR.

Northeast: Lyndall Harned reported that District 1 is working on their Leader Forum that is set for October 4th in Boyd County. District 1 also have 5 new agents, FCS in Lawrence County, ANR in Fleming County, 4-H agent in Elliott County, 4-H agent in Mason County. Robertson County had a new agent but they have already resigned. They will market joining ESP at district staff.

Pennyrile: Jeremy Teal reported that District 7 completed empowering local leaders training. Will train all county CEC's this fall. Fall forum October 24th. Staffing; Pennyrile – new KSU 4-H Agent in Christian County and the FCS position is still vacant in Crittenden County.

Purchase: Robert Tashjian reported that they have a new ANR Agent in Graves County, and McCracken County won the Randall Barnett award.

Quicksand: Dora Webb reported that 2 4-H agent positions are vacant: Owsley County and Breathitt County. FCS agent position vacant in _____, Daniel Wilson's wife had baby.

Specialists: Sarah Brandl reported that Kentucky Association for Specialists will meet on November 3rd for fall meeting in Lexington.

Wilderness Trail: Lora Lee Howard reported that Clare Kincaid in Jackson County has resigned and moved to KS. Lora Davidson started in Harlan as FCS agent.

Unfinished Business:

2017 National ESP Meeting, October 8-12, Wilmington, NC. About 20 people attending from KY. Lyndall Harned is working on States Night Out for us. Circa 1922 is where States Night Out will be held, 5 minute walk from hotel.

2018 Annual Meeting/In-service Training – possible dates March 20-21

Other: Donna Fryman reminded that dues will be increased; \$65 returning members, \$70 new, \$220 lifetime membership.

New Business

Review of Extension – Annette asked if everyone had received the survey from JCEP and all associations, asks that everyone complete that. JCEP will be meeting Monday to compile thoughts before meeting with the Dean on Thursday, September 28th. Some discussion on the topic of Lead Agent and County Manager. The discussion included: paying the lead agent, selection process, ramifications to county offices.

Epsilon Sigma Phi Scholarship – this was discussed with Charlene's message.

JCEP Leadership Conference – February 14-15, 2018 Orlando, FL

Proposals for presentations deadline – September 29, members are encouraged to submit proposals for JCEP presentations.

PILD Conference – April 2-5, 2018 Arlington, VA

County Judge Executives' meeting – Annette said they did not know when or where the Judge Executive meeting would be. Sally Mineer suggested she talk to Jeff Young.

Other:

Reminders:

2017 National ESP Meeting, October, 8-12, Wilmington, North Carolina

Adjourn: Motion made by Lyndall Harned to adjourn the meeting and second by Sally Mineer. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting via Skype: November 20, 2017 at 9:00amCST/10:00amEST

Respectfully Submitted by,

Katie Alexander, Alpha Kappa Chapter Secretary *Linda Combs filled in on minutes in New Business.