

## WAFCS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 9, 2016

President, Mary Kennedy, called the WAFCS Board of Directors meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. via conference telephone call.

ATTENDING: Mary Kennedy, Susan Turgeson, Janet Powell, Carolyn Barnhart, Esther Fahm, Karen Goebel, Jeanne Schwass-Long, Stephanie Love, Mary Kaye Merwin, and Vera Riley.

AGENDA: The agenda was accepted as printed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the October 24, 2015 Board meeting were approved by readers Carolyn Barnhart and Jeanne Schwass-Long and distributed. With no corrections or additions, the minutes were placed on file. Readers for this meeting will be Jeanne Schwass-Long and Esther Fahm.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Susan Turgeson reported that Association Assets total \$31,343.73. WAFCS Foundation Assets total \$79,764.18. This report was placed on file for audit.

FOUNDATION REPORT: Three new offerings were shared with the board. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Graduate Scholarship of \$1,000; up to three stipends annually of \$125 each to promote professional attendance at our WAFCS Annual Conference; and three \$300 travelships to promote professional attendance at the AAFCS Conference. Motion carried.**

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: A written report was received and filed.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT: A written report was received and filed. A request was made to continue to assist in recommending names for the 2017 WAFCS Conference Committee.

PRESIDENT ELECT REPORT: No report at this time.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT: A written report was received and filed.

VICE PRESIDENT – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: A written report was received and filed. An update report on the 2016 Annual Conference was also received and filed.

VICE PRESIDENT – MEMBERSHIP: A written report was received and filed. Additional written report received and filed from Student Unit.

VICE PRESIDENT – AWARDS AND RECOGNITION: A written report was received and filed. Special recognition was given to the efforts of President, Mary Kennedy in encouraging AAFCS to reinstate the leadership awards.

VICE PRESIDENT – COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY: A written report was received and filed.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### WISCONSIN FCS TEACHER STATUS:

It was also reported that there still remains a shortage of qualified teachers to fill FCS positions in Wisconsin.

REVISION OF AFFILIATE ACTION PLAN: Affiliates may now choose the items in the AAFCS Plan that are appropriate and only report on those items.

#### NEW BUSINESS

PROPOSED CTE LEGISLATION: Janet Powell reported attending the hearing for Assembly Bill 581, which reduces academic requirements for certification to teach Family and Consumer Sciences, which is among a group of subject areas being considered. Continued advocacy for maintaining high standards for teaching in the field of FCS is needed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURNMENT

It was reported that UW Cooperative Extension is also undergoing a major reorganization and this has implications for the availability of FCS professional educators in all counties.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on March 31, 2016, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Radisson Hotel in Madison. This is a meeting of the entire WAFCS Council.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kaye Merwin  
Secretary

Readers: Esther Fahm  
Jeanne Schwass-Long