

NCCESA Annual Business Meeting

September 17, 2010

The Mountain Horticultural Crops Reach and Extension Center

Call to Order: Pamela Brylowe, President – NCCESA, at 9:08 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: *Motion:* Chris Austin, Union County
Seconded: Jane McDaniel, McDowell County
Decision: Agenda was approved with the following changes: remove Approval of Minutes and add Thought for the day. (Item 1)

Roll-Call: WT – 20 NC – 14 NE – 13 SC – 16 (2 are retirees)
SE – 18 WC – 21 Campus – 14 (1 is a retiree)

Parliamentary: There is a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: 36th Annual Business Meeting Minutes (previously approved as “Annual State Meeting minutes” by BOD) – **This item was removed.**

Thought for the day: Kay Morton, Lee County - “Life is not about winning or losing, it’s about constant growth. Achievement, failure and the path to these two teach you valuable lessons, which contribute to your personal growth. No matter what you do, you grow in one way or another.”
Author unknown, motivateus.com

Financial Report: Janice Dotson, Mills River

Point of Information: *Money Market account will be ear marked to keep the association going during these lean times, in case we lose our sponsors support that is used to cover awards and scholarships.*

District Reports: WT (See item #2 from 9/16/2010) NC (not received)
NE (See item #19 from 9/16/2010) SE (See item #4 from 9/16/2010)
SC (See item #5 from 9/16/2010) WC (See item #6 from 9/16/2010)
Campus (See item #7 from 9/16/2010)

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership (not received) Committee made recommendation for honorary membership: Susan Brame, Campus; Sharon Carter, Buncombe County; Lorene Poole, McDowell County, Dorothy (Charlotte) Simpson, Campus; Patsy Richardson, Gaston County; Martha Cochran, Buncombe County; Juanita Dotson, Buncombe County; and Doris Burgin, McDowell County. **DECISION:** All nominees were approved.

Public Relations See item #8 from 9/16/2010

Nominating See item #9 from 9/16/2010

Rules & Bylaw See item #10 from 9/16/2010

Finance See item #11 & 12 from 9/16/2010 - Committee made the recommendation of the proposed revised budget. Was voted on and approved.

Reflections See item #13 from 9/16/2010

Professional Improvement See item #14 from 9/16/2010

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Other Reports / Update:

Federation / HOP (Pam Brylowe) - See item #15 from 9/16/2010

ECA Foundation Board (Pam Brylowe) – See item #16 from 9/16/2010

FCS Foundation Board (Pam Brylowe) – See item #17 from 9/16/2010

Herter-O' Neal Scholarship (Teresa Story) – See item #18 from 9/16/2010

Horn of Plenty (Teresa Story) – See item #19 from 9/16/2010

2011 HOP – Friday, August 19th, Concord Convention Center in Cabarrus County

Update NCCESA Donation to HOP: From this day forth, \$125 will be donated to HOP when the email from administration is sent to all the associations requesting support for this event, instead of the \$1 dollar per paid member request. The tea and sugar will be purchased by administration.

Staff Senate (Debbie Goforth) – See item #20 from 9/16/2010

Sue Mills Lighthouse Award (Pam Brylowe) – See items #4 & 5 from 9/15/2010

TERSSA update (read by Christine Barrier for Mary Baronet) – See item #21 from 9/16/2010

Recognition of Award Winners: 2010 NCCESA Award Winners

- NCCESA Professional Improvement Scholarship..... Deborah Waterman, Durham County
- Executive Board Award – (Item 2) Kay Morton, Lee County
- Secretary Awards of Excellence
 - Campus Geri Bushel, Campus
 - Northeast District BJ Okleshen, Gates County
 - Southeast District Angela Faison, Johnston County
 - West District..... Erin Freeman, Haywood County
 - North Central District (**STATE WINNER!**)..... Sandy Ruble, Granville County
 - South Central District Christine Barrier, Cabarrus County
- Sue Mills Lighthouse Award Karen Whitley, retired
- Herter-O' Neal Scholarship Madison E. Wakefield in Anson County

Old Business:

- I. Latino Initiative (Pam Brylowe) – **By show of hands, 42 hands were raised showing interest in taking the class. Pam will report back to Cintia and pass the torch to Kay Morton, Lee County.**
- II. Special Funds Committee update – This committee met via phone conference. Their recommendation was to not move NCCECA money market funds to a Foundation account at this time
- III. TERSSA Update See Report
- IV. Bylaws – Proposed changes – **A motion was made by committee. No second was needed. There was no additional discussion. Committee recommendations were accepted changes as posted on web-site. Recommendation passed.**
- V. 36th Annual Business Meeting Minutes needs approval by both Boards (previously approved as “Annual State Meeting minutes”) – **This items was removed from the agenda**

New Business:

- I. Honorary Memberships (Martha Smith, Membership Committee Chair)
New applications:
 - Susan Brame, Campus Patsy Richardson, Gaston County
 - Sharon Carter, Buncombe County Martha Cochran, Buncombe County
 - Lorene Poole, McDowell County Juanita Dotson, Buncombe County
 - Dorothy (Charlotte) Simpson, Campus Doris Burgin, McDowell County

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- II. Awards – presentations were done Thursday evening
- *This is a change starting this year. Tenure/Service awards will NOT be presented during the banquet as in previous years. **SUGGESTION:** Everyone will be recognized at the NCCESA Business Meeting each year.*
1. Executive Board Award
 2. Professional Improvement Scholarship
 3. Secretary Awards of Excellence
 4. Sue Mills Lighthouse “Spirit of Light” Award
- } All award winners were announced at the banquet.
- III. Nominations for & Election of Federation Treasurer
- A request for nominations was called for from the floor:*
- Janice Dotson, Mills River nominated Jane McDaniel, McDowell County
 - A motion to close nomination came from the floor by
Motion: Debbie King, Onslow County
Seconded: Chris Austin, Union County
DECISION: Jane McDaniel, McDowell County will represent NCCESA as the treasurer for Federation this year.
- IV. 2010-2011 Slate of Officers
- *Slate of officers were read and will be presented to the general membership tomorrow. No action taken.*
- V. Benevolence Contribution
- *Update: The 9/25/1995 minutes states that \$25 will be donated to a charity, but only pay in the case of the death of a former or active member.*
- VI. New Item – Sue Mills Awards
- *This is a bit of housekeeping. A committee was formed to decide how to handle donation to this endowment. Following the Thursday night banquet an enhancement fund agreement was signed by Pamela Brylowe, Jones County, Dr. Joe Zublena and Sharon Rowland, Director of Foundation and Administration.*
 - *In order to keep this fund going, an opportunity has been created for anyone to donate to it. It will be done on a volunteer basis.*
 - **Suggestions:** *Each district’s president will take the forms back to their local chapter and share today’s update– (See items #5 from 9/15/2010). A table will also be setup at every state meeting from now on, so members can donate a dollar (if they like) to help keep this award active. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Vicky Merritt, Campus Chapter will be responsible for setting up this table each year and provide the state president a report.*

Other Business:

New Item – Audit of Treasure Books.

- *This will be audited by Tom Mease, Account Specialist*

Adjourn – 10:36 a.m.

Motion: Anita Wright, Campus

Seconded: Jane McDaniel, McDowell County