

Minutes - 17th Annual Meeting
North Carolina Association of Agricultural Extension Secretaries

Fayetteville, NC
September 14, 1990

The 1990 17th annual meeting of the North Carolina Association of Agricultural Extension Secretaries was hosted by the South Central District.

President Janice Buchanan welcomed everyone. Dr. James West, South Central District Director, welcomed the group to Fayetteville. Devona Beard introduced Dr. James B. Hardee, Pastor of Oak Grove FW Baptist Church, to give the devotion. Reverend Hardee presented a humorous story and a prayer as the devotion.

Dr. Dew was unable to stay for the Friday meeting and sent his best to the group.

Pearl Blount, President of the SC District, recognized guests.

Janice called on Cathy Fields, State Hospitality Chairman, to introduce the speaker.

Cathy introduced Bernadette Watts, Extension Specialist -- Educational Programs at NCSU. Mrs. Watts gave us an inspirational talk on the role of the secretary and how appreciated secretaries are even if they are not recognized for their work. She began and ended her talk with two beautiful songs.

President Buchanan called the meeting to order. Welcomed everyone. Asked if there were any secretaries that had been to all of the state meetings. Recognized the secretaries that were at the annual meeting for the first time. Reminded everyone that an association is only as good as its members.

Called on Rose Cecil to read the minutes of the 1989 state meeting. Sandra Smith made motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and Earla Moore seconded. Motion carried.

Rose Cecil conducted roll call. Attendance was as follows:

- Western District - 10
- Northwestern - 7
- Southwestern - 17
- Northern Piedmont - 21
- North Central - 29
- South Central - 39
- Northeastern - 8
- Southeastern - 22

Janice Buchanan called on Karen Whitley to give a Treasurer's Report. Balance on hand as of September 14, 1990 is \$2,580.15. A copy is attached.

Miranda Pope recognized Doris Burgin as the 1990 Executive Board Award winner. She is from McDowell County in Southwestern District.

Nancy Griffin reported on the 1990 Herter O'Neal Scholarship recipient who is Alisia Lynn Rouse. She is from Pitt County in the Southeastern District.

The 1989 Herter O'Neal Scholarship went to Inga Minor. Janice gave a report of events involving Inga and her enrollment in school. At the Board of Directors meeting in May a decision was made to call the school and request the money back. She did not enroll in school in any of the previous quarters.

We did not have any names submitted for associate or honorary member this year.

Janice called Dean Bateman's secretary to ask about the SPA Award. The committee will be meeting later this month to decide. In previous years, we have been able to recognize some of our secretaries at the state meeting.

The 1991 Herter O'Neal Scholarship will be going to the Western District.

Committee reports were given at this time. Copies are attached.

Janice recognized Betsy Crews as Parliamentarian for the year.

Karen Whitley presented the proposed budget for 1991. Karen made a motion that we accept this budget and Helen Miller seconded. Curtis Fountain and Gloria Morning will audit the books for this year.

Karen reported on the decision to set up the money market account. We put \$2,000 into the account.

Betty Chandler issued an invitation to the Southeastern District for the 1991 meeting. It will be held at Atlantic Beach on September 19-20.

Janice has received a letter from Dr. Dew that we will probably be going to Raleigh in 1992 for training.

We discussed several ideas at the planning board meeting in May. One was to encourage membership in the State Employees Association. Membership is \$2.50 per month and can be paid by payroll deduction. One more idea was to ask for another day of professional improvement bringing the total to four. Another was to ask for plaques for tenure beginning with the 20th year. Janice wrote a letter to Dr. Dew carboning it to Dr. Wells. She received a letter back from Dr. Wells. They will take under advisement the plaque and 4th day of professional improvement day.

Dr. Wells said that he wanted to look at the survey for the secretaries on campus before it went out. Janice got a reply back this week with Dr. Wells' ok to go ahead and mail. We will get it out this week or next week.

Anna Anderson submitted the proposed slate of officers for 1991 as follows:

- Miranda Pope, President
- Nancy Griffin, 1st Vice President
- Louvenia McIntosh, 2nd Vice President
- Barbara Stone, Secretary
- Kathy Walters, Treasurer
- Janice Buchanan will be advisor.

Anna made a motion that this slate be accepted and Mariah McPherson seconded. The motion carried.

Carol Ann Hardee installed the officers in a candlelight ceremony.

Janice gave a President's report at this time. A copy is recorded.

Janice thanked the state officers and the district presidents for their support during the year. She also thanked her co-workers in the Western District office. She then presented the President's gavel to Miranda Pope.

Miranda presented Janice with a beautiful plaque in recognition for her work as President of NCAAES in 1990.

Janice then adjourned the meeting.