

Northeastern District Association of Agricultural Extension Secretaries 1982 Fall Meeting

The Northeastern District Association of Agricultural Extension Secretaries met for their fall meeting on Wednesday, October 13, 1982 at the Bertie County Extension Office in Windsor, N.C. The meeting was called to order by President Katherine Gillam.

A cordial welcome to Bertie County was extended to us by Mr. Billy Griffin, Bertie County Extension Chairman.

Hilda Mitchell introduced Linda Boyette, Home Economics Extension Agent, who presented a program on *Color and You*. Each secretary was given an opportunity to discover the colors that were best suited for her as an individual so that she could gain knowledge in choosing her wardrobe and accessories.

Everyone then enjoyed a delicious meal hosted by the Bertie County Extension Office. Sponsors were Be-Lo Markets, Inc. and Bertie Extension Secretaries.

Roll call showed 23 secretaries present.

Minutes of the fall meeting were read and approved as corrected. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$372.73.

Committee Reports

Finance - Hilda Mitchell, Chairman - no report.

Hospitality - Jessie Ellis, Chairman - absent, no report.

Rules and By-Laws - Mable Jordan, Chairman - did not have a report but welcomed any suggestions and also suggested that we send copies of the rules and bylaws to everyone for their information.

Public Relations - Myrtle Rountree, Chairman - no report.

Professional Improvement - Linda Buck, Chairman - absent, no report.

Goals and Aims - Lou Newsome, Chairman - a list of goals and aims of the state association were read and Lou suggested that we continue to support them.

Membership - Peggy Bailey, Chairman - thanked everyone for their encouragement to others. Also, she has continued to send letters to encourage non-members to join us.

Old Business

Betty DeCamp reported on the state meeting held September 16-17, 1982 at Emerald Isle. The Northeastern District was represented by 11 members. The meeting proved to be informative and entertaining.

Lou Newsome reported that the 4-H scholarship would be received by two counties this year. They are Currituck and Craven counties. Alternate county will be Gates. President Katherine suggested that after a county has had a chance for the scholarship for two years in a row, another county should have an opportunity. It was suggested that we work with 4-H agents in the county to get recipients for the scholarship.

President Katherine told us that the state handbook was in the process of being changed. She asked for any suggestions for deletions and/or additions.

Linda McMullen made a motion that Miriam James, who has retired, be named an honorary member of our association. Seconded by Myrtle Rountree, the motion passed.

President Katherine told us that the presidents of the various Extension Associations met to plan a retirement dinner for Mrs. Patterson. The date set is November 23, 1982 at Soundview Restaurant beginning with a social hour at 6:00 p.m. and a seafood buffet from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. County chairmen will inform us of suggested gift ideas from the planning meeting as soon as they are compiled. It was decided that our association would give one gift as a group with the funds coming from the treasury.

Everyone was asked for suggestions for a new project for our association. Betty Cox suggested that we could offer a professional improvement scholarship for our members who would be interested. No action taken.

Betty Cox, Nominating Committee Chairman, presented a slate of prospective officers for consideration for 1983. They were:

- President - Lillian Briggs
- 1st Vice President - Betty DeCamp
- 2nd Vice President - Myrtle Rountree
- Secretary - Tammy Smith
- Treasurer - Earla Moore

There being no further nominations, Louise Newsome made a motion to accept the slate of officers, seconded by Linda McMullen, the motion carried.

Linda McMullen installed the 1983 officers.

It was announced that Lillian Briggs would not only be our district president but would also be our state president for 1983. Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to her.

It was announced that Camden County will host the 1983 spring meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Katherine Gillam, President
Tammy Smith, Secretary