

North Carolina Cooperative Extension Secretaries Association - NED
2002 Fall Meeting

October 18, 2002

The Northeast District NCCESA met on October 18, 2002 at the Beaufort County Center in Washington, NC. Those in attendance were:

Beaufort County: Pam Allen, Gladys Barnes, Barbara Campbell

Bertie County: Audrey Jernigan, Rosanna Rhea

Camden County:

Chowan County: Denise Bunch, Shelia Russell

Currituck County: Donna Keene, MarySue Wright-Baker

Dare County: Donna Hanusik

Gates County: Linda Eure, Edna Williams

Hertford County: Melanie Chevalier

Hyde County: Gennie Williams

Martin County: Brenda Gardner

Northampton County: Jean Sigmon, Robbie Bridgers

Pasquotank County:

Perquimans County: Risha Foreman, Teresa Story

Pitt County: Carol Ann Hardy

Tyrrell County: Nancy McGowan

Washington County: Janet Hardison, Wanda Williams

Special Guests:

Betty Cox, retired secretary from Chowan County, was recognized as special guest, and also, Dr. Russell King, NE District Director.

The meeting was called to order by Melanie Chevalier, President. Ann Darkow, Beaufort County Extension Director, welcomed us. Jean Sigmon gave us thoughts for the day entitled "The Oyster" and "By Example We Teach."

Melanie recognized new staff members. The only new secretary right now is Henrietta Deal in Camden County. She was not able to be at the meeting. Also, she has resigned due to her husband being transferred.

Roll call by Denise Bunch, Secretary.

Carol Ann Hardee made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the Spring 2002 meeting as they are posted on the web. Linda Eure seconded the motion and it passed. There was a change to these minutes as mentioned by Jean Sigmon. Johnnie Edwards was not present at that meeting. The minutes will need to be amended.

Donna Keene gave the Treasurer's report: Checking balance: \$1,823.44. Money Market balance: \$4,117.94. Melanie mentioned the brick that was purchased for the Eastern Environmental Education Center.

Dr. King brought greetings and information on the bonus leave. Eighty hours will be granted to those who are 100% state funded, and only to those who are county funded and the county agrees to match, or are locked in. If you're county funded (partially or whole), it is up to your county officials as to whether they will match or meet this bonus. Regardless, you will get whatever your state percentage is (it will be prorated). He then left us with a story about The Carrot, The Egg and The Coffee Bean--in adversity, which one are you?

Barbara Campbell introduced our speaker, Susan Chase. Susan is the FCE agent for Beaufort County. Susan shared some thought provoking activities for us (Myers Pig and How Mature are You?).

After the invocation, lunch was served.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance:	Donna Keene - treasurer report stands for report.
Membership:	Carol Ann Hardee - we are at 100% membership; card sent to Betty Cox during her accident.
Nominating:	Denise Lamb - not in attendance, no report.
Professional Improvement:	Shelia Ange - not in attendance. Jean Sigmon gave report supplied by Shelia. Continue to seek out opportunities through Community Colleges and IM agents. Share ideas and thoughts with others.
Public Relations:	Rosanna Rhea--please continue to contribute to the newsletter, which is going very well.
Reflections:	MarySue Wright-Baker - scrapbook is here today, please continue to send pictures.
Rules and By-Laws:	Teresa Story - going over and updating. Should be on web by 2003 Spring meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Website: Jean Sigmon for Shelia Ange. Shelia is currently working on archiving minutes of district meetings. Rules and Bylaws are next. Please remember to check the Book of Maps to update when necessary.

Let's Get Acquainted Book: Jean Sigmon for Shelia Ange. Pick yours up and sign off that you have it. Take back to those in your county that couldn't be here. Do we want this information on the web? Think on this and we will discuss it more and decide at the next meeting.

NC Federation of Cooperative Extension Associations: all associations meet and discuss issues and concerns that all associations have. More information is on the web.

2002 State Meeting: MarySue Wright-Baker. Five from our district went. The money tree was a great success.

Awards and Presentations from State meeting: Jean Sigmon for Shelia Ange:

- Pat Braswell and Barbara Campbell: 5 year certificate and service awards
- Nancy McGowan: 5 year service award
- Donna Hanusik: Award of Excellence in Special Leadership
- Janet Hardison: Award of Excellence in Computer Utilization
- Brenda Gardner: 10 year certificate and service award
- Johnnie Edwards: 30 year certificate and service award

2003 State Meeting: MarySue Wright-Baker. Will be held at the High Point Radisson on September 25 and 26, 2003. MarySue made a motion that we have the money tree fundraiser at every forthcoming state meeting between now and 2006 so we can host a GREAT meeting! Linda Eure seconded the motion and it passed. If anyone knows of a printer that would be willing to print the tickets (for free) next year, let MarySue know.

Rosanna Rhea recognized Betty Cox and presented her with a gift from our Association for 33 years of service with NCCES.

NEW BUSINESS:

District Officers: Officers will be installed in the spring and take office next fall so we can get in line with the state. The District President can get District committee people lined up and the State President can be made aware of the District Officers and committees.

Bertie County will host our 2003 Spring meeting.

Johnnie Edwards has retired. She will be recognized at the 2003 Spring meeting.

No announcements.

Jean Sigmon made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Rosanna Rhea seconded the motion and it passed.

Respectfully submitted:
Denise Bunch, NCCESA NE District Secretary