

The NCCEAPA-NE District met at Martelle's Feedhouse in Engelhard, NC on Friday, November 7, 2014. Hyde County Administrative Assistant Connie Burleson hosted the meeting. Registration began at 9:30 a.m.

President Edna Williams called the meeting to order. Welcome was given by Natalie Wayne, Hyde County County Extension Director.

Agenda was presented. BJ Okleshen made a motion to approve the agenda, Connie Burleson seconded. Motion carried.

Becky Costello provided our thought for the day.

Recognition of guests/new secretaries. BJ welcomed Gail Spiewak from Chowan County.

The fall meeting minutes were distributed. A recommendation was made to approve the minutes but to remove all state meeting planning from minutes before posting to the website and keep a full version in hard copy. Shelia Ange made a motion to approve the minutes as edited, Becky Costello seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amy Twiddy performed roll call. Those attending were:

Beaufort: Pam Allen, Gladys Barnes
Bertie: Belinda Belch, Sheila Powell
Camden: Amy Twiddy
Chowan: Gail Spiewak
Currituck: Sherry Lynn, Donna Keene
Dare: Donna Hanusik
Edgecombe: Gloria Manning
Franklin:
Gates: BJ Okleshen, Edna Williams
Halifax: Cheryl Tripp, Chrissy Poole
Hertford: Rebecca Castello
Hyde: Connie Burleson
Martin: Shelia Ange, Joy Pierce
Nash: Patricia Cotton, Joann Zimmerman
Northampton: Robbie Bridgers, Maryann Edwards
Pasquotank:
Perquimans: Teresa Story
Pitt: Carol Haywood
Tyrrell: Michelle Cooper
Wake:
Warren: Tonia Hargrove
Washington: Christie Bell

Shelia Ange presented the parliamentary review. A quorum was present for the purpose of doing business.

Sherry Lynn presented the treasurer's report including the checking account, money market account, and share account balances. Total raised from silent auction at our Spring meeting was \$129.00. The 2014 camp scholarship went to Hyde County; the 2015 \$100 camp scholarship will go to Martin County. The finance committee recommends transferring an amount from checking to money market account since the interest rate is higher on the money market account. We can transfer money as needed. The recommendation was approved.

Committee Reports

Finance:

The proposed budget was presented, BJ Okleshen made a motion to approve the proposed budget, and Sheila Powell seconded. Motion carried.

Membership:

- The Northeast District has 32 active members and 16 honorary members.
- An invitation to join the association and attend the 2014 Fall meeting was e-mailed to Denise Bunch and Gail Spiewak of Chowan County.
- Honorary Membership nominations were presented on behalf of Melanie Storey – Hertford County and Faye Black – Wake County at the 2014 state meeting. Both nominations were accepted.

Nominating: No report at this time.

Professional Improvement:

The Secretary of the Year Award nomination forms will be sent out in January. Nominations are due back to the Professional Improvement Chair by March 1st and the award will be given at the Spring meeting.

Sign up to be able to access Compass. This has certification programs. Whether they will help us with non-Extension related employment remains to be seen.

Public Relations:

There was no report at this time. Chrissy Poole has expressed that she needed to step down as committee chair. Christie Bell from Washington County agreed to become chair for this committee.

Reflections:

Donna Hanusik reported the scrapbook is up-to-date. Pictures have been posted from the 2014 NCCEAPA State Meeting on our Facebook page. Please submit any new pictures to the reflections committee.

Rules & Bylaws:

No report at this time.

Other Reports:

TERSSA – Rebecca Castello reported that the 2014 TERSSA meeting was held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at the Embassy Suites on October 1, 2, & 3rd. The meeting was filled with great workshops, good food, and wonderful fellowship. New officers were installed and are listed below:

Sandra Walton, AL – Webmaster

Lisa Dudley, MS - President

Karen Bixler, AL – Membership Secretary

Linda Good, OH – Vice President

Christine Barrier, NC – Recording Secretary

Glenda Jenkins, MS – Treasurer

A GREAT time was had by all!! Next year's meeting will be held in Mississippi and all are invited and encouraged to attend. You won't be sorry.

Staff Senate – Teresa Story reported that Staff Senate is the advisory board to the University Chancellor. They review policies, make recommendations, and receive proposed policy changes for review and recommendations. Staff Senate assists in the communication of issues and activities affecting staff members. This past week, we learned that the Performance Management policies for SPA might be revised so that all SPA employees are evaluated the same way. Budget information is usually presented, but this month there was no information. Staff Senate is a great networking opportunity and meet the first Wednesday in each month. Your commitment is for 2 years. If you have the opportunity to be on Staff Senate, please take it.

Old Business:

2014 State Meeting – Edna Williams thanked everyone for their hard work at the state meeting. She has received nothing but great comments regarding the meeting. Attendees especially enjoyed having a hospitality room.

Other – None

Community Service Project – Non-perishable food items were donated by members and will be distributed to either the local food bank or to the Hotline Shelter in Hyde County.

Invocation/Lunch

Staff Development – Members enjoyed an afternoon of arts and crafts provided by local artisan Jean Sears. Members were allowed to paint decorative gourds and received pointers from the artist.

Martin County will be hosting our Spring meeting; more information will be forthcoming.

BJ Okleshen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sheila Powell seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.