

North Carolina Cooperative Extension Secretaries Association - NED
2017 Spring Meeting

The NCCEAPA-NE District met at the Perquimans Parks & Recreation on Friday, May 12, 2017 in Hertford, NC. Perquimans County support staff, Teresa Story and Risha Foreman hosted the meeting. Registration began at 9:30 a.m.

President Becky Castello called the meeting to order. Jewel Winslow, Perquimans County Extension Director, welcomed us to Perquimans County.

Amy Twiddy (in the absence of Connie Burelson) performed roll call. Those attending were:

Beaufort: Pam Allen, Gladys Barnes

Bertie:

Camden: Amy Twiddy

Chowan: Gail Spiewak

Currituck: Sherry Lynn

Dare: Donna Hanusik

Edgecombe:

Franklin: Ginny Moore, Belinda Collier

Gates: BJ Okleshen

Halifax: Cheryl Tripp

Hertford: Rebecca Castello

Hyde:

Martin: Shelia Ange, Joy Pierce

Nash:

Northampton:

Pasquotank: Christy Boyce

Perquimans: Teresa Story, Risha Foreman

Pitt: Bridgette Perry

Tyrrell: Michelle Haney

Warren: Tonia Hargrove

Washington:

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

Agenda was presented. Tonia Hargrove made a motion to approve the agenda; Sherry Lynn seconded. Motion carried.

Recognition of new secretaries/guest. BJ Okleshen recognized the new Franklin County Admins Ginny Moore and Belinda Collier.

BJ Okleshen provided our thought for the day. Be the one who points out what is going right and helps out what is going wrong.

Fall meeting minutes were addressed. Gail Spiewak made a motion to approve the minutes; BJ Okleshen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sherry Lynn presented our treasurer's report.

Committee Reports

Finance:

Total raised from silent auction at our Fall Meeting was \$120.00.

Visa gift card was sent to Joann Zimmerman in honor of her retirement.

2017 Camp Scholarship in the amount of \$200 was sent to Northampton County. Robbie Bridgers sent a nice thank you letter acknowledging receipt of the check. Scholarship for 2018 will go to Pasquotank.

Membership:

Risha Foreman Griffin

- The Northeast District has 29 active members and 18 honorary members. There are 17 TERSSA members
- We have one new member in our association. Her name is Brenda Monk of Nash County.
- If anyone is interested in nominating someone for honorary membership, they should complete the Honorary Member form by August 1. The form can be found on our association website under History and Honorary Membership.

Nominating:

BJ Okleshen-Recommendation was made to slate, Amy Twiddy 2nd VP, Christy Boyce Secretary, Sherry Lynn Treasurer, opened up discussion if anyone wanted to take over treasurer, no one stepped forward therefore Sherry Lynn will stay on another term. Teresa Story seconded the recommendation, recommendation passed.

Professional Improvement:

Joy Pierce – The 2017 professional development scholarship applications are due August 1, 2017. Please take advantage of all professional development opportunities including webinars, seminars, trainings, classes and any other educational opportunities. If you happen to hear of any professional development opportunities that we might be interested in, please feel free to share with the group.

Public Relations:

Christie Bell – No report at this time.

Reflections:

Donna Hanusik – Pictures, along with a brief description of what is happening in the NE District, have been sent to the State Reflections Chair, Donna Holland. A video will be shared at the 2017 State Meeting. The Reflections Committee continues to maintain a scrapbook to record the history of our association.

Rules & Bylaws:

Shelia Ange – Shared the changes that were approved at the winter Board of Directors meeting. These will be taken to the membership at the state to be voted on.

Other Reports:

2017 4-H Camp Scholarship Update: Becky Costello reported that went to Northampton County this year.

Staff Senate:

Carol Haywood – There are always some type of events going on at the campus (lunch and learn, there was a mini dance held in February, pizza and games.). Sabra is planning to ask Sheri Schwab if she has any suggestions for supporting Extension and other off-campus employees better. Sabra said this is an on-going issue at the University.

NCCEAPA Meeting Update:

Becky Costello – West District, Flat Rock, NC in conjunction with TERSSA National meeting: 9/20-22/17. Registration due to open in June, \$135, rooms \$100 at the Mountain Lodge.

TERSSA Update – Becky Castello reported the National meeting will be during our state meeting. TERSSA has been in the making for a little while, with charter members joining in 2007. Still working on getting new states involved. Christine Barrier went to Administration and asked for funds, and they donated \$5,000 to help with this meeting. There are approximately 136 members currently.

Federation Report – Becky Costello reported the Federation met 4/7/17 via zoom, she was unable to attend. Latoya Lucy attended and took notes. Role of federation was discussed and determined it needed to be better defined.

NCCEAPA Winter Board Meeting – Becky Costello reported it was in Pitt County 30 were in attendance. Two ADHOC committees were formed. State meeting planning guidebook. Professional development committee.

Other: 2017 Herter-O'Neal Scholarship Report – Joy Pierce. The northeast district received 15 applications for the 2017 Herter O'Neal Scholarship. After much deliberation, Madeline Munoz

from Gates County was chosen as the district winner. Madeline was selected as the state winner as well.

Old Business:

2017 State Meeting Auction Ideas-Becky Costello:

- Shelia Ange has a contact for Yeti items. Prices are: YETI Tundra coolers - 20 qt, \$185, 45 qt. \$260, 65 qt. \$285; low ball cups 10oz \$18, Tumblers 20 oz. \$21.99, 30 oz. \$25.99. Everyone can donate items to add to it. Everyone liked this idea. Final decision: Yeti (desert tan color) 65 qt., 2-20 oz. cups, and additional small items. \$1 each or 6 for \$5 ticket prices. 25 tickets (sold) per county; tickets will arrive within the next month, tickets back to Sherry 1st week of September. Shelia Ange made a motion to accept this recommendation Christy Boyce seconded, recommendation was passed.
- Shelia will make tickets again.

Website Updates

Website is still being worked on. If you see any needed updates, let Becky or Shelia know.

New Business:

2020 State Meeting-BJ Okleshen

September 23-25, 2020 (9/22-25/20, potential for an added day if changes are made to allotment of time for our state meetings). Outer Banks as location seems to be a good location. Hilton was great to work with and a good facility. Come up with a good theme. Send BJ your ideas and at the fall meeting we will vote on one. A google form will be sent out to submit your ideas. A prize will be awarded to winning theme idea.

Installation of 2017-2018 Slate of Officers

Teresa Story installed with a Grits ceremony.

President: BJ Okleshen

Vice President: Christie Bell

2nd Vice President: Amy Twiddy

Secretary: Christy Boyce

Treasurer: Sherry Lynn

Advisor: Becky Castello

Other

Announcements:

Invitation to Fall Meeting: Pitt County, Bridgette Perry invited us to the Fall Meeting.

Silent Auction bids were made and finalized on items.

Community Service Project – Canned goods were collected.

Invocation/Lunch

Staff Development: Jewel Winslow, "Grits Are Good For You"

Martin-Washington will be responsible for silent auction items in the Fall.

Sherry Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting; BJ Okleshen seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.