

### SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Business Call Meeting: November 18, 2020

Meeting called to order 2:01 PM

Present: Roll Call by Counties

Bladen	1	Johnston	3
Brunswick	1	Lenoir	0
Campus	1	New Hanover	3
Carteret	1	Onslow	2
Columbus	0	Pamlico	1
Craven	0	Pender	1
Duplin	1	Robeson	1
Green	0	Wilson	1
Jones	1	Total	18

<sup>\*</sup>Counties that have no membership were left on until confirmation of members can be completed.

# Total of 18 which constitutes a quorum

Motion to accept the agenda, Debbie G., Onslow; Tamara C., 2nd Pamlico. Motion passed.

Emily W. presented the thought for the day. It was a quote from Eleanor Roosevelt. "You have to accept whatever comes, and the only important thing is that you meet it with the best you have to give."

We will handle the Fall 2020 minutes in our normal spring 2021 meeting.

We will also table all regular reports until our Spring 2021 meeting with the exception of the Membership Report.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Also total members increased from 16 to 18 members by end of session.

# Membership Report

The 24 members include 2 new. There are 4 honorary members on the SED roll and questions about guidelines for the category of membership were tabled until the Spring meeting. Let Sheila Ange know or whoever takes her place as NCCEAPA State President next year. Discussion ensued about honorary members and how they are listed on the website. Danyce D. and LaToya L. are working to get the SED records together for Honorary Membership in time for the Spring meeting.

Suggested contacts for new SED memberships include Sara Suggs, Lenoir County; Hannah Ammons, Columbus County; a new ag secretary to start in December, Robeson Count; Betty Draughon, Sampson County and Wendy Parker and Crystal Jones-Pope, Johnston County.

## SED By-laws documents

Members are asked to please check old emails for copies of SED By-laws because we don't have an updated version.

#### OLD BUSINESS

The reason for this call meeting is to resolve some unfinished organizational details so we can begin focusing on our District responsibilities for hosting the State Meeting in 2022.

Roben J. presented a typed set of minutes for the Fall 2019 SED Membership Meeting she completed from Michelle K.'s notes. Minutes from the meetings of the SED Executive Board/Committee Chairs, May 5, 2020 and the SED Membership meeting May 22, 2020 were also presented.

Motion to accept all 3 sets of minutes, as they stand, 1<sup>st</sup>- Dina M., Carteret, and 2<sup>nd</sup>- LaToya L., Bladen.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Professional Development**

Roben J. showed a 2-minute video call "Intent vs Perception". LaToya L. shared that a person's perception is their reality. Clinton McRae told her years ago that you have to find a person's love language. Roben J. says she types an email but lets it sit there and when she comes back to it she will often reword it for clarity or to sound less harsh. Danyce D. says open dialogue is necessary. Emoni B. says communication is key.

SED Officer Changes SED President Michelle K. recently left employment with NCCE, and Roben J. has moved up to President from 1<sup>st</sup> VP, and Emily W. to 1<sup>st</sup> VP from 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. A vacancy exists for a 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. The remaining slate of current offices is Suzanne H., Advisor; Wanda H., Secretary and LaToya L., Parliamentarian. Kareis B. will remain Finance Chair, Danyce D. will remain Membership Chair, Emily W. will remain Reflections Chair, Nan R. will remain Benevolence Chair, Debbie G. will remain Chair of Professional Development. Unfilled is the Chair of the By-Laws Committee.

Roben J. asked for a summary of the duties of the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. LaToya L. responded that it is a position in which you learn so by the time you get to President you will have a better understanding of that role. Suzanne H. said it's an honor to be on the Board, and a very good learning and leadership opportunity.

Roben J. has sent some emails to SED members about taking vacant positions. LaToya L. volunteered to chair the Rules & By-Laws Committee. The 2<sup>nd</sup> VP remains unfilled.

Spring 2021 meeting –TBA. HAS NOT BE SET YET. Columbus County is hosting.

WHEN WE GET TO THE Spring meeting, start thinking about our year to host and what we will do to host in 2022. The SED Steering Committee for the 2022 State Meeting in our district is still the same, minus Michelle K. There are also many parts that all members will be asked to perform.

### Other Announcements

Our 2020 scholarship for 4-H went to New Hanover County NCCE, and a thank you card from Scott. E. was read.

Gina B. is retiring at the end of December 2020 from the Brunswick County Center-NCCE. She said they may have someone the week after thanksgiving for Michelle K.'s position. As an update, Michelle Kasey has found a job with the Soil & Water office at her new home in Watauga County.

Motion to adjourn- LaToya L. and Kareis B. 2<sup>nd</sup> – motion passed.