

The NCCEAPA-NE District met via Zoom on Friday, March 12, 2021 hosted by Sheila Powell from Bertie.

President Christie Bell called the meeting to order. Billy Barrow, CED Bertie County, welcomed us and gave us some facts about Bertie. Art Bradley, DED, gave an administrative update and thanked everyone for the work that we have been doing. He stated that a lot of offices were going back to seeing clients face to face and wanted to remind us to continue to take precautions. He also stated that Kimberly Armstrong would begin working in Dare County on Monday, March 15th as the Administrative Assistant. Please reach out to Kimberly and welcome her to the district. As always, Art is available if we have any concerns.

Christy Boyce performed roll call. Those attending were:

Beaufort: Samantha Bowden & Ashley Latham

Bertie: Sheila Powell

Camden: Amy Twiddy

Chowan:

Currituck: Sherry Lynn

Dare:

Edgecombe: Gloria Morning

Franklin: Brenda Collier & Ginny Moore

Gates: BJ Okleshen

Halifax: Cheryl Tripp

Hertford: Rebecca Castello

Hyde:

Martin: Shelia Ange & Joy Pierce

Nash: Barbara Monk & Tamara Coyne

Northampton: Robbie Bridgers

Pasquotank: Christy Boyce

Perquimans:

Pitt: Brigitte Perry

Tyrrell: Michelle Williams

Wake:

Warren: Joy Taranto

Washington: Christie Bell

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

Agenda was presented. Amy Twiddy made a motion to approve the agenda; Becky Castello seconded. Motion carried.

Recognition of new secretaries/guests. Sherry Lynn welcomed Tamara Coyne again since we still have not been able to meet face to face since she began. We also

mentioned again to Evelyn Stahling while welcoming her that we would like for her to please let us know of new hires.

Amy Twiddy, 1st Vice President provided our thought for the day from Jim Valvano.

Fall meeting minutes were addressed. Please strike through the JCEP report. Joy Taranto made a motion to approve the minutes; Shelia Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Finance: Cheryl Tripp, Finance Chair – In the absence of Cheryl Tripp, Ashley Latham presented our budget to the group. The 4-H Camp Scholarship for \$420 was sent to Pitt County and the Herter O’Neal Scholarship for \$250 was sent to Aaron Bell. A check for \$50 was sent to Nash County to refund Tamara Coyne’s dues for 2019/2020 year. A check for \$75 was sent to Becky Castello for receiving the APOY award. Also two checks were written for bereavement flowers for Connie Burleson’s father and Shelia Ange’s mother.

Membership: Sheila Powell, Chair - Our membership to date is 25 members, 19 honorary members, and 22 TERSSA members. Sheila asked that we let her know if we know of any member losing a loved one.

Nominating: Christy Boyce, Chair – Nominating committee made a recommendation for the 2021-2022 slate of officers which will take office in October. The nominations were: 2nd Vice President – Joy Taranto, Treasurer – Sam Bowden and Secretary – Brenda Collier. Becky Castello seconded the recommendation and the slate of officers was approved.

Professional Improvement: Joy Pierce, Chair – There have been 4 Herter O’Neal scholarship applications submitted so far. Please remember to get those to Joy by March 22, 2021. The 2021 Professional Development Scholarship applications are due August 1, 2021. Joy encouraged everyone to take advantage of all professional development opportunities.

Public Relations: Gail Spiewak, Chair - No report at this time.

Reflections: Joy Taranto, Chair – There was no report but Michelle Haney will be taking over the Facebook account for Joy as she chooses not to be on Facebook.

Rules & Bylaws: Brigitte Perry, Chair – No report at this time.

Other Reports:

Staff Senate:

Sheila Powell – Sheila will continue to send us correspondence from Staff Senate that relates to our job. If we want all information send her an email and she will forward everything to you.

NCCEAPA Meeting Update: BJ stated that we are going to meet virtually this year but she has spoken to the hotel and she is waiting on a contract to push the dates to 2022. We do not foresee a problem and the Southeast District has been contacted.

TERSSA Update: Becky Castello, Webmaster – Stated that the current president has left extension so Christina Byrd of OH will be moving to the president position.

NCJCEP Report: Christie Bell stated that the last NCJCEP meeting was held in December via Zoom. Dr. Bonanno gave an administrative update that included the Advisory Committee, stating that Mark Blevins is in charge. He spoke about the grassroots organization serving the needs of community and Extension framework. He also stated that protocols for reopening would be shared soon. Dr. Rosalind Dale also gave an update and invited everyone to do an end of year motivation workshop. She reported on open positions and talked about the Small Farms Resource and Innovative Center and Small Farms Week. Jill Cofer gave the NCCEAPA update. The NCCEAPA annual meeting was held virtually in September. Christie stated that anyone who would like a full copy of the NCJCEP report could email her and she would be glad to forward it to them.

Old Business:

none

New Business:

Administrative Professional of the Year –Joy Pierce, Professional Improvement Committee Chair, read the letter that was submitted on behalf of this year's recipient. Sheila Powell is the Northeast District Administrative Professional of the Year. We thank Shelia for everything that she does. Congratulate Sheila Powell on winning this award and for the outstanding job that she is doing.

Installation of Officers for 2021-2022 – BJ Okleshen, Advisor installed the officers via zoom.

NCCEAPA Logo Discussion: Christie Bell asked anyone that is interested to submit a logo design to her by Friday, March 26th. We can submit up to 3 to the state executive board.

Other: Becky Castello asked that everyone be thinking about taking on positions in our district. We are running low on candidates that are eligible for State positions since we tend to keep an office for two terms.

Other Business/Announcements:

Amy Twiddy invited us to join her hopefully in person sometime during Sept/Oct. 2021 for our fall meeting. Be on the lookout for your official invitation.

Community Service Project: Continue to collect items for the NC Domestic Violence Shelters. We did decided to go ahead and bring all the items to Camden and distribute and then start collecting again for the State Meeting.

Sherry Lynn made a motion to adjourn and Christy Boyce seconded motion passed.

Submitted by:

Christy Boyce
Secretary