

The NCCEAPA-NE District met on Friday, October 27, 2023 in Edgecombe County at the East Carolina Agriculture and Education Center.

Tanya Heath, Edgecombe County Extension Director, welcomed us all and gave a brief history on the facility our meeting was being held at.

Sherry Lynn gave a brief administrative update. The State portion of our raises will be in our October checks and the county portions for those participating should be in our November checks. All these are retro to July 1st. Everyone should complete the LAP training by Dec. 31st. The Northeast District Conference will be on November 7th at the Bob Martin Center in Martin County. Please be sure to dress appropriately, no jeans.

President Joy Pierce officially called the meeting to order at 10:25 am.

Amy Twiddy performed a roll call. Those attending were:

Beaufort: Sam Jefferson, Karen Marslender

Bertie:

Camden: Amy Twiddy

Chowan:

Currituck: Anna Martin

Dare: Kimberly Armstrong

Edgecombe: Gloria Morning

Franklin: Brenda Collier, Ginny Moore

Gates:

Halifax:

Hertford:

Hyde:

Martin: Joy Pierce, Courtney Denny

Nash: Sally Jones

Northampton:

Pasquotank:

Perquimans:

Pitt: Brigitte Perry

Tyrell:

Wake: Karla Frizzelle, Sherry Lynn

Warren: Logan Clarke

Washington:

Brigitte Perry presented the parliamentary review. A quorum was present for the purpose of doing business.

Agenda was presented. Sherry Lynn made a motion to approve the agenda. Karla Frizzelle seconded. Motion carried.

Recognition of new secretaries / guests. Karen MARslender, Beaufort, Sally Jones, Nash, Logan Clarke, Warren were welcomed. Susan Lenda, Currituck, was not present but welcomed.

Karla Frizzelle, 1st Vice President, shared “Gratitude is a powerful catalyst for happiness. It’s the spark that lights a fire of joy in your soul.” ~Amy Collette.

Last meeting minutes were addressed. Joy Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Anna Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Finance: Anna Martin reported for Christy Boyce.

At our last meeting which was held in Dare County our silent raffle (Beaufort – Hertford) generated \$245.00. Ticket sales for our state meeting raffle totaled \$1027.00. We collected registrations of \$185 for the 2022-23 year for new employees and we have also received dues for this year. As promised during the state meeting we were given a portion of the campus chapter funds for the members who we were lucky enough to have joined our association. Checks in the amount of \$140.70 were written to NCCEAPA and TERSSA for new members before the state meeting was held and a check to Camden County for items purchased for the officer ceremony. Not on this statement are checks to NCCEAPA, TERSSA for dues and Joy for tickets and postage that were purchased for the state raffle. You will see that information at the next meeting.

Balance in our accounts as of October 10, 2023

Checking - \$ 4,751.57

Money Market - \$ 7,151.14

Shares - \$ 55.25

Christy will email out a proposed budget for the year.

Membership: Sam Jefferson, Chair – Currently, we have 29 active NCCEAPA Members, 28 TERSSA members and 20 Honorary

members

New NCCEAPA Members:

Logan Clarke – Warren

Sally Jones – Nash

Karan Marslender – Beaufort

Susan Lenda – Currituck

Honorary:

Shelia Ange

Nominating: No report at this time.

Professional Improvement: Courtney Denny, Chair – The 2023 Herter O’Neal Scholarship went to Payton McNabb from the West District-Cherokee County. The 2024 Herter O’Neal Scholarship will be open for applications in the spring. Please be looking for an email at a later date concerning a deadline to receive applications. The 2022 Administrative Professional of the Year Award will be announced under New Business. The 2023 Administrative Professional of the Year Award nominations will open January 1, 2024 and close on March 1. Just a reminder that this is a district award, not state. 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: No report at this time.

Reflections: No report at this time.

Rules and Bylaws: Gloria Morning, Chair – No report at this time.

Other Reports

Staff Senate: Brigitte Perry, no report at this time.

TERSSA Update: Amy Twiddy presented for Becky Castello. The 2023 TERSSA National meeting was held in Columbus, OH October 17 -20, 2023. The Executive Board meeting was held October 17th at 5:30pm with a meet and greet following. The State President for TN, Trudi Neubeck, invited everyone to the 2024 TERSSA National meeting in Pigeon Forge, TN September 10 - 13, 2024. Once the date was announced it was realized that the dates coincide with the NCCCEAPA State meeting in Asheville, NC. The Executive Board was informed of the issue and an email was sent to our state board to inform them of the issue. Currently, the West District has not signed their contract and is aware of the date issue. They will be meeting this week to discuss options or if anything will change.

On Wednesday, October 18th, the business meeting was held at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center. The meeting was called to order, roll call was made and a quorum was verified. We had 8 attendees from NC at the meeting. The minutes were online and not printed so a synopsis was given and approved. The financial report was given and approved. The Webmaster asked that we check out the website under “State Fun Facts”; and send her information about our state. New officers for the 2024-2025 year were installed as follows: Trudi Neubeck, TN - President; there is currently no President Elect; BJ Okleshen , NC– Membership Secretary; Cathy James , NC - Treasurer; Rhonda Mahaney, OH - Webmaster; Karen Bixler, AL – Recording Secretary; Faye Wilson, OH – Past President; and Christine Barrier, NC- Analyst. Once again, Trudi Neubeck from TN invited everyone to the 2024 TERSSA meeting in Pigeon Forge, TN September 10 - 13, 2024.

Following the business meeting, breakout sessions were completed on time management, diversity and digital presence. After lunch there was a tour of the OSU Stadium where we toured the football field, box seats, band rooms, scouting rooms, and many other areas of the stadium as well as watching the band practice. We had a surprise guest of BRUTUS!

Thursday consisted of breakout sessions, lunch at Hofbrauhaus House (German cuisine), Waterman Farm Tours on OSU Campus, and dinner back at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center. There was a special guest speaker, Shirley Brooks Jones, who happened to be on one of the planes that were diverted from America on 9/11 when they closed the borders. She told of her story and had everyone's attention. Awards/Scholarships were given and the recipients are as follows:

AboveBeyond the Call of Duty Award winner - Trudi Neubeck, TN
Executive Board Award winner - Cindy Winchester, TN

Professional Scholarship Award winners are Paige Matney, OH and Jennifer Stewart, TN.

There was no Award of Excellence presented.

The night ended with a DJ, dancing and networking.

NCJCEP Report: Joy Pierce read for Christie Bell. The Board of Directors met via Zoom on January 30, 2023. The NCCEAPA-NCJCEP officer, LaToya Lucy, attended the meeting and gave her report at our state conference. Discussions from the meeting included NCJCEP being the sounding board for COT (County Operations Team). Possibilities would include beta testing a new website for feedback, bringing ideas and concerns to the COT table, meeting with Administration more regularly, and helping with the Extension State Conference. The Board of Directors met via Zoom on October 11, 2023. Roben Jarrett, LaToya Lucy, as well as myself attended the meeting. Reports were given from all associations represented at the meeting. Discussions from the meeting included a long discussion on bylaws proposed changes to reflect a two-year term for the NCJCEP Treasurer. During the discussion, some members suggested that all NCJCEP offices be on two-year terms. LaToya reminded everyone that applications for the 2023 NCJCEP Leadership & Service Recognition Award are due by 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2023.

On October 17th, Tracy LeCompte emailed the Board of Directors three options to vote on for the proposed bylaws changes to be presented at the Winter Forum. If the proposed bylaws are voted on and not approved by members, then Kareis Britt will be installed as the Officer-At-Large representing NCCEAPA. The Winter Forum will be held November 17, 2023 from 9:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Moore County Center in Carthage.

Old Business

Joy Pierce discussed fundraising for the 2024 state meeting. The wine basket went over very well. It was discussed that we could do that again, or if anyone else had new ideas to bring them to the Spring meeting where we will finalize this.

New Business

4-H Camp Scholarship: Joy brought up that camp prices have increased again this year to \$535. To avoid having to revisit this each year Joy made the recommendation to cap the camp scholarship at \$600. Karla Frizzelle seconded the motion. Motion was passed. Wake County will receive the camp scholarship this coming year.

Membership Communication: Sam explained that there is always some confusion on when we get new admins and if they become members, etc. Christy Boyce has created a google sheet with dues received. Sherry Lynn suggested that access be granted to her and Becky, but then it was suggested that maybe the entire membership should have access to this for the purpose of filling committees, etc.

Administrative Professions of the Year Award. Christie Bell was the recipient of this award. She was not present but Joy will get her the plaque and monetary award. Congratulations!

Other Business / Announcements

The spring meeting will be hosted by Franklin County in either March or April. Brenda Collier said that information will be forthcoming.

Community Service Project: non-perishable food items were collected for a needy family.

The silent auction items were closed and paid. Since several counties were absent this time and not all sent items with other counties, the counties that did not do this please bring items to the Spring meeting.

Professional development was presented by Regina Mosely, FCS Agent. "Move to the beat of the drums," a drumming exercise program.

Brenda Collier made the motion to adjourn and Karla Frizzelle seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Amy Twiddy
Secretary