

Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences  
Spring Board of Directors Meeting  
Columbia Country Club  
**Saturday, February 24, 2007**

Members present: Joy Behrens, Bellyn Kaplan, Suzie Dudenhoeffer, Amy Johnson, Suzi Beck, Louise Lunkenheimer, Susanne Cadle, Robin Spencer, April Lannon, Wanda Malin, Cherie Boren, Laurie Bybee, Karlene Harrison, Colleen Long, Jeanette Brown, Debbie Pohl, Merilee Thoenen, Cynthia Arendt, Renee Meents, Connie Harms, Marcia Ritter, Karen Mason, Pam Hanabury, Cheryl Adams, Teresa Durbala, Becky Head, Tracy Newman, and Charlotte Gray.

President Bellyn Kaplan called the MoEFACS spring board meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Secretary, Joy Behrens, presented the minutes from the fall board meeting. There were a few spelling corrections noted. Suzie Dudenhoeffer moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Marcia Ritter seconded. The minutes will be corrected as noted and included in the secretary's file.

Treasurer, Cheryl Landers, presented the treasurer's report. We currently have \$32,696.57 in our account. Suzie Dudenhoeffer moved we approve the treasurer's report, Marcia Ritter seconded. The treasurer's report was approved.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

If members have not become a tri-level member they need to do so immediately. Karen Mason is running for Region 3 Vice President. Since Missouri has the largest membership, we should be able to impact this very important representation. Bellyn also acknowledged Ginny Stone for being recognized as the Missouri ProStart Teacher of the Year. President Kaplan informed the board of the ACTE pod cast site. President Kaplan attended ACTE conference in Atlanta. She talked about one of the sessions she attended entitled "Alternative Assessments" given by Dr. Kathy Croxall and Rea Gubler from Southern Utah University. She brought back a packet that could be copied if there is interest in this.

Karen Mason gave her report at this time and stated that in January she and Tracy Newman went to the FCCLA board of directors meeting in Reston, Virginia. She announced some National Award winners: Christine Hollingsworth will receive the Alumni Achievement Award and Dale Lightfoot will receive the Honorary Membership Award. Jenna Gregg, Tracy Newman's student, will receive an FCCLA scholarship. Currently we have the following members serving on ACTE committees: Ginny Stone, Resolutions; Marcia Ritter, Legislative; Jayla Smith, Membership; and Ronna Ford, Bylaws.

President Kaplan also announced and congratulated Charlotte Grey who has been elected as the President of NATFACS. Julia Floyd is the new secretary.

Ronna Ford, Bellyn Kaplan, Marcia Ritter and Karen Mason attended the Missouri Legislative Day. The weather prohibited many from attending. Marcia gave a report stating

how important it is to stay involved with the legislators and the many bills that impact us. This week is FCCLA Legislative Shadowing week.

Joy Behrens presented a report on the Professional Development Meeting held in November. The theme of the meeting was “Rigor and Relevance.” Dr. Nancy Headrick stated that the objective of the meeting was to focus on student learning incorporating rigor and relevance to the program of study.

#### **DESE UPDATE:**

Dr. Arendt’s newsletter article has generated many e-mails regarding the “programs of study”. This is going to be more difficult for the smaller schools than it is for the larger districts. We have had Career Paths since 1994.

Dr. Arendt also reported that in January, DESE staff planned, coordinated and participated in Business and Industry Council Advisory Committee meetings to validate with business and industry statewide, the skills identified for each of the career cluster areas. They are now analyzing the comments from the committees to determine how to combine and put this together to create the programs of study.

She also reported that by the end of 2010, there is a plan to have end-of-course testing. Core academic testing will be done first. In March, Personal Finance will have a pretest online with the final version available at the end of first semester next fall. This will be required for those wanting to take it for embedded credit. (Embedded credit is where a student takes food science and is able to get both a science and practical arts credit at the same time—as long as the competencies for both courses are covered.)

If we have a completer student that has 3 full credits (6 semesters) in Family and Consumer Sciences area, we will need to follow up on these students. If a student has, for example, 1 credit in agriculture, 1 in business and 1 in FACS, then the districts will decide who “gets” to report them. Another example might be: If a student has 2 credits in FACS and 1 in business, they should be reported as a FACS completer. One of the ACTE pod casts from November does discuss completers and program of study. National State Supervisors will be looking at the standards and program of study when they meet in May.

Through Professional Development funds, Dr. Arendt is training 26 people to work on program of studies. These individuals will be spread around the state to help us align our programs with state and national standards. The first meeting will be in April, then another in June and July. Shortly after this, the trainees will be available to help us with this at the local level.

Merilee Thoenen discussed the Life Smarts competition. It was a very active competition this year. After the state competition, the winning team will travel to Orlando for the national competition. We have been very fortunate to sign a 3-year contract with American Century to support this program. The Child Care grant has been revised and is about to go up on the web site. DESE is now taking applications for the mentoring program through MCCE.

Debbie Pohl gave a quick update for Christine Hollingsworth on FCCLA. Christine said to tell us that they are VERY busy. There is a new staff member on board now.

**Curriculum:** DESE has worked on GLE alignments for Food Science and Family and Consumer Resource Management. Marcia Ritter is reviewing these. When these are completed

they will be on the MCCE website. The facilities and safety guide is being developed and when completed will also be on the MCCE website. Robin Spencer is working on this.

There is a committee report in the folders on the tables. This is the information that should be passed along to new board members at summer conference. Members were asked to send in this report along with their annual committee report to the secretary by June 1.

**Summer Conference:** The Clarion is working on a major sleeping room renovation. They hope to have the bottom floor sleeping rooms completed by conference. The second floor renovation will begin after we leave.

**The program for conference:** The Missouri ACTE conference theme is “Rigor and Relevance-Key Pieces to CTE Success.” Dr. Headrick would like to see each division follow this theme throughout the conference. Debbie presented a tentative program for MoEFACS summer conference. As we are working on committee plans, we need to let Debbie know if we have anything that needs to be included in the conference program.

After a delightful lunch, President-Elect Ginny Stone discussed the theme of the summer conference. We looked at a cruise theme idea. “Get Your R & R with FACS” using a lifesaver as a prop. (18) Other possible themes are “Revving up the Rigor, Relevance and Relationships.” (0) “Get Your R & R with FACS” “Rigor, Relevance and Relationships your R & R”. The 5 R’s (0). The cruise theme idea will be the theme for MoEFACS 2007 summer conference.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Relations:** Connie Harms, Chair will be presenting at the Carousels on the topic “Public Relations Made Easy.” A second topic and presenter has not been chosen at this time. The vendors used to supply items for the public relations store will be contracted this week for a price quote. There is some interest in a long sleeve tee shirt and that option will be explored.

**Awards & Recognition:** Charlotte Gray, Chair, Suzie Beck and Becky Head were present. The committee revised the nomination form, awards application and evaluation sheets. The program was updated. The committee will develop the “I am special” folders, participation certificates for teacher/presenters. They will provide a 50/50 drawing, a white elephant basket and committee baskets for the scholarship fund. For PAC, a basket will be passed during the DESE update. Raffle baskets will be given during the business meeting and closing session. Our goal is \$2000 and a chart will be posted to track progress. “Bright Idea” bags will be prepared for each session to recognize a teacher for sharing an idea. Resolutions will be prepared for outgoing officers and other individuals.

**Professional Development:** Karen Mason, Chair, Marcia Ritter, Suzie Dudenhoefter were present. The Professional Development committee members will have three different carousels. Marcia has written an article for the newsletter “One for the Future.” We will send the Speakers Bureau information in the newsletter, on the listserve and then send out through a DESE PR Blast. The basket for Professional Development will be tied to our committee. We want to promote our professional image across the state. We will have a form at registration to survey our membership on number of years teaching and attending conference. We will secure door prizes for New and Returning teachers meeting. We will help Renee Meents put the ideas she receives from teachers on a CD.

**Research & Development:** Pam Hanabury, Chair, Cheryl Adams and Teresa Durbala present. They discussed the post-conference evaluation form. Our potential carousel ideas: a) food safety, b) Extension opportunities. We also discussed potential conference themes. Our basket will be “Game Themed”.

**Special Functions:** Tracey Newman, Chair. Connie Clawson and Kristy Christy were not present at the meeting. Reviewed donations received thus far; worked with Debbie Pohl and with Awards committee to complete plans for reception. We have mailed 64 donations letters. Developed a list of another 20 potential donors to ask for donations—this will be done by 3/15/07.

**Legislative:** Jayla Smith, Chair unable to attend. Renee Meents, Amy Johnson present. The committee members discussed various methods that could be used to raise funds for the Missouri ACTE PAC. Individuals that donate a minimum of \$5.00 will be entered into a drawing for 20% of the total cash donated.

**Membership/ Nominating:** Louise Lunkenheimer, Chair. Cherie Boren, Suzanne Cadle, April Lannon, Wanda Malin, Robin Spencer were present. Each area of membership is providing two carousels. At the Wednesday morning division meetings, the middle school meeting speaker is Janet Shepard from Practical Parenting Partnerships. The high school speaker is Lisa Whitney who will speak on drug abuse in teens. The occupational/postsecondary and adult meetings will address articulation agreements for culinary and childcare students. The joint luncheon for childcare management & services, postsecondary educators, department chairs and local supervisors will have Marcia Ritter’s presentation “Show me the Money”—grant writing. Tickets for the luncheon can be purchased at Missouri ACTE/MoEFACS registration table. The FCS teacher educator business meeting on Wednesday will begin at 11:45 with a purchased lunch. There will be a joint luncheon/tour with and for MTTA/MoEFACS ProStart teachers.

The membership committee will provide a membership directory to all MoEFACS members at registration. We will provide \$5.00 gift certificates (for the store) and portfolios for our new/returning teachers. These will be presented to those who attend Renee Meents’ pre-conference workshop. We will also provide a revamped scavenger hunt to continue a means of networking throughout the conference. We will ask the Clarion for a 2-night stay as a prize.

Cheryl Landers has agreed to run again for treasurer. Louise Lunkenheimer will consider the President-Elect position. We will also have a theme related basket at conference.

**Registration:** Colleen Long, Chair. Jeanette Brown, Karlene Harrison and Laurie Bybee were present. The committee will continue to have registration as it was done last year and add MoEFACS membership’s lists to the Missouri ACTE packet. The sale of luncheon tickets will start on Monday during registration. The registration committee will start posting monthly conference attendance reminders on the MoEFACS listserve. A display board for ACTE membership will be displayed at the Expo and Clarion along with ACTE recruitment handout materials. They will also have information sheets for the PDC committee. They have two carousel ideas—Love and Logic and Early Childhood Resources. They will schedule individuals to cover the registration table and booth times. The theme and basket details will be around “kitchen fun”.

**MOTIONS & POLICY CHANGES:**

Marcia Ritter moved and Suzie Dudenhoeffer seconded to include a copy of the bylaws and policies in each committee's folder at Board meetings, and to look at these at the July 2007 meeting to determine if future changes are needed. Motion carried. (*Recorded as policy 2/24/07*)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bellyn Kaplan brought up the idea that it would be nice to have some type of nametag for those from our board attending the ACTE, NPS or other national meetings. Karen Mason moved to purchase engraved name badges for MoEFACS officers each year. She would also like for this to be put into policy. Marcia Ritter seconded. Suzie Dudenhoeffer called for the question. The motion carried. (*Recorded as policy 2/24/07*)

Secondly, Bellyn brought up the issue that the treasurer is using a laptop that is quite old. It is having quite a few issues. Suzie suggested that we have someone look into what it would cost to get a new one, or rebuild it and present this information for the July meeting. No motion was made. This will be revisited at the July meeting.

A resolution was presented to Renee Meents for her service as 2005-06 President of MoEFACS.

A resolution was presented to Suzie Dudenhoeffer for her service from 2002-2006 as MoEFACS secretary.

President Bellyn Kaplan adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy E. Behrens  
MoEFACS Secretary