

WAFCS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 24, 2015

President, Mary Kennedy at 9:01 a.m. on October 24, 2015, called the WAFCS Board of Directors Meeting via conference call to order.

ATTENDANCE: Mary Kennedy Jeanne Schwass-Long, Mary Kaye Merwin, Susan Turgeson, Janet Powell, Carolyn Barnhart, Kayla Correll, Stephanie Love, Karen Goebel, Alissa Uttech, and Vera Riley.

AGENDA: The agenda was approved as distributed, with the request to move the Foundation Report forward in the agenda.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the July 18, 2015 Board of Directors were reviewed and approved by readers Carolyn Barnhart and Jeanne Schwass-Long. With no other questions or revisions, the minutes were placed on file.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Susan Turgeson reported that the association has total operating assets of \$32,205.79 as of October 23, 2015. The WAFCS Foundation has total assets of \$80,758.54 as of October 23, 2015.

FOUNDATION REPORT: Karen Goebel brought forth three recommendations from the Foundation Board: 1. Adding a graduate scholarship offering of \$1,000 in addition to the current \$500 undergraduate scholarships. 2. Expanding the stipends/professional travelships of \$125 for attendance at the WAFCS Annual Conference to any professional (not just teachers). 3. Expand professional travelships of up to \$300 to AAFCS Annual Conference, which would be an addition to the current student travelships. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that while these were good ideas, there needs to be more specific criteria attached to each before action can be taken.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS:

President: A written report was received and filed. Mary shared the response of AAFCS on our request to reinstate the leadership awards at the national level. Our request is still under consideration at their October 28, 2015 meeting.

Immediate Past President: A written report was received and filed. Jeanne highlighted the Leadership Council Workshop that she and Mary attended.

Executive Director: A written report was received and filed. Janet highlighted her many activities on behalf of WAFCS.

Vice President-Professional Development: No written report. Janet Powell and Jeanne Schwass-Long did give an update on the 2016 state conference to be held in Madison April 1-2, 2016.

Vice President-Public Policy: No report. Glenda McCracken has resigned from this position.

Vice President-Membership: The students will meet on November 14, 2015. The New Professionals group provided a written report on their Protégé Plus meeting

at Nasco's Teacher Appreciation Day. Future meeting dates are planned for November 21, 2015 in New Glarus and February 13, 2016 in Westby.

Vice President- Awards: A written report was received and filed. Carolyn reminded us of the November 1, 2015 deadline for submission of awards nominations.

Vice President-Communications: A written report was received and filed. Kayla shared current promotion on both Facebook and Twitter for the 2015 Dine In event on December 3rd.

Vice President-External Relations: No report

OLD BUSINESS:

Wisconsin FCE Teacher Status: It was reported that currently the State Department of Education is polling all Wisconsin School Districts for data on the number of positions they have in FCE and whether these positions are filled or vacant. If the results of this survey show a significant shortage of qualified professionals for these positions, there is possibility that a national program would assist students in our field with student-loan forgiveness.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Family and Consumer Sciences Day – Dining in for Healthy Families Day is December 3, 2015. Register your meal on line at www.aafsc.org/fcsday
- 2016 AAFCS Conference them is “Improving the Health and Well-Being of a Changing Society” and is scheduled for June 22-25, 2016 in Bellevue WA
- The next Meeting of the WAFCS Board of Directors will be via conference call on January 9, 2016

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kaye Merwin
Secretary

READERS: Carolyn Barnhart
Jeanne Schwass-Long