TEAFCS Board Meeting
March 24, 2025
Zoom

In attendance: Dr. Kane Reeves, Stacy Clark, Joy Powell, Jenny Smith, Paula May, Ebone' Colclough, Katie Dees, Dr. Janet Fox, Brenda Hannah, Meagen Brown, Lacy Yeley

Called to order: Kane Reeves at 2:30 P.M.

Secretary Report- Stacy Clark read the minutes; Kane and Brenda requested a couple of changes be made. Changes were made.

Treasurer, Joy Powell, reported on the treasurer's report
Beginning Balance April 6, 2024- $17,029.10
Bank Balance Jan. 31, 2025-$20,736.66
Joy will upload the reports in TEAMS

VP of Public Affairs- Mallory- unable to attend. No report was given.

VP Member Resources- Ebone' Colclough reported the website has been updated. Business meeting minutes have been uploaded, 2/11/25 treasurer report has been uploaded. State officers have also been uploaded along with their picture. Question was asked if we need to post the board meeting minutes or just the business meeting minutes. The decision was made to upload both. Ebone' will get both posted on the member resources page. Ebone' is unable to attend the conference in April and asked if someone could take pictures at the conference since she will not be attendance. The suggestion to use Picture Circle app was suggested. Jenny Smith stated she will add it to the conference agenda.

Sr. VP of Professional Development- Jenny Smith reported the committee has been working on the conference for April 9-11. She stated there are 47 registered and it is going to be a fun conference.

Immediate Past Director-Brenda Hannah will work on getting nominations for the rotations.
Positions for Rotation – officers will start 2026:
President-Elect 2027 (Central Region). Meagan will roll off in 2026
VP of Public Affairs, Secretary, JR VP for Professional Development & SR VP for Professional Development

Regional Reports:
Eastern Region: Meagen Brown reported they met in Hancock County at a B&B. They made homemade wreaths, went on wagon rides, Morgan Wallan's grandmother attended to share with them about community services.

Central Region: Paula May reported they met and did Painting with a Twist. They will be meeting in April and do Food Waste Awareness.

Western Region- Stacy Clark reported on behalf of Schancey Chapman. Western Region will meet in April at College Hill Center in Brownsville. The Blue Oval SK Community Engagement Leader will be speaking after lunch.

VP of Awards and Recognition- Katie Dees reported 67 awards were submitted in 33 categories. The number has increased from last year. Awards have been ordered and will be delivered at Paris Landing. The price for awards increased some. Katie will make certificates and get them in the certificate holders for the awards brunch. All have been judged and send to Nationals. Katie stated she sent the email out to FCS agents and specialists, but will send it out to EXT-ALL in the future due to a 4-H agent, TEAFCS member, not receiving the email about submitting awards.

Dr. Fox gave an update.
She thanked those serving on the strategic plan committees. Three grants have been received: Strengthening Rural Immunization Training Grand Challenge Grant, Evidence-Based Samaritan Toolbox Grand Challenge Grant, and Nourish Recovery Grant Challenge Grant. Pat's Gameplan for Caregivers website was launched. FACES of FCS- marketing opportunity to showcase the impact of our work. Money Week and Farm Family Health and Wellness received NEAFCS awards.

Lacy Yeley gave an update about the 2026 NEAFCS Annual Session. Lacy stated things are coming together for the conference. A theme has been decided on. She has been working with a graphic designer to capture the theme on the information to be sent out. Exploring Dollywood for the Welcome event and opening session; this is still in the early stages. Meagen stated they are waiting to book the Celebrity theater; they don't book this far out. The NEAFCS Board is coming to Tennessee the first week of December to check out the area and get updates. The committee has reviewed the 2024 pre-conference annual session to incorporate some of these things into the session. Lacy has a list of the committees and chairs if anyone needs to know about them.

Old Business:
Kane updated on PILD funding. The decision has been made to send one person unless someone wants to apply for the Lovelace McKinney award to attend.

New Business:
Joy Powell, Treasurer, shared the proposed budget. 113 renewals, 9 new members, 6 Associate members, and no lifetime members. She stated she still is receiving dues in the mail. Joy stated nobody attended JCEP. Kane stated Priscilla Gilliam will be attending PILD in April 2025.

Bank Balance as of 4/30/25: $19,244.65
Income total: $22,002.23
Expenses total: $19,635.83
Ending checkbook balance as of 3/24/25: $19,169.66

The budget is ready to be presented to the Business meeting. Audit for the books will need to be done before the business meeting in April.

The NEAFCS Annual Session will be in Grand Rapids, MI October 20-23. Kane encouraged members to attend.

Kane asked the question: what would be a good way to make sure to get information about meetings to the retirees. He stated this can be discussed at the business meeting.