MEAFCS
Board Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2013

Members Present: Denise Aungst, Lisa Treiber, Diana Fair, Eileen Haraminac, Joyce McGarry, Terry Jones, Jennifer Berkey, Gail Innis.

I. Call to Order by President Jennifer at 1:30 pm.

II. Approval of Agenda – Motion by Gail Innis, Support by Eileen Haraminac to approve the agenda as printed. Motion Carried.

III. Approval of Minutes – Motion by Terry Jones, Support by Eileen Haraminac to approve the minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

IV. Appointment of Committee to Review Minutes: Eileen, Terry and Jennifer volunteered to review the minutes.

V. Officer Reports:
   - President: Jennifer Berkey
     1. Confirmed details for the Fall membership meeting at FEC.
     2. Attended Fall Membership meeting at FEC.
     3. Assisted with the election for officers for 2013.
     4. Participated in the President webinar for NEAFCS.
     5. Completed the annual report and officer report for NEAFCS.
     6. Sent templates of impact reports to HNI work-team chairs.
     7. Created agenda and scheduled conference call for January board meeting

   - Past President Eileen Haraminac 1/2013
     1. Sent report to MCEA for November meeting
     2. Attended SE MEAFCS December meeting
     3. Review of MEAFCS affiliate officers committee contact sheet
     4. Review of MEAFCS annual report
     5. Review of January agenda

   - President Elect - Diana Farr
     1. Attended December SW Regional MEAFCS meeting
     2. Submitted letter to Board stating will not be attending JCEP
     3. Read and approved President’s NEAFCS Affiliate Annual Report
• Treasurer - Holly Tiret

(see attached folder)

• Secretary - Gail Innis

1. Attended SE MEAFCS December meeting
2. Made Portal Changes to Minutes, Awards, Officers, etc.
3. Posted links on portal to all 2012 minutes and removed old minutes to be stored on back side of the portal.
4. Received reports from officers and Region Directors to add to January minutes.

VI. Regional Reports- Diana Fair

• UP North Region: Carolyn Penniman, Regional Director and Denise Aungst, Alternate
  1. The revised MEAFCS Bylaws were approved at our fall membership meeting.
  2. The Handbook was also revised, and both have been posted on the MEAFCS portal.
  3. We suggest an e-mail be sent to the membership to notify them that the new documents are there.
  4. We were successful in recruiting two new Life members to join in 2012: Mary Bellows and Cheri Booth
  5. We will schedule a regional conference call soon based on the update of 2013 membership.

• Southwest Region: Joyce McGarry, Regional Director

  1. Our Southwest region met on Dec. 20 at the Calhoun County MSUE office. We had a presentation from Natasha Berryman from ANR Communications on guidelines for writing and submitting the monthly news articles.
  2. We elected Leatta Byrd as the SW Alternate Regional Director.
  3. We will meet in February and hope to do some professional development on computer/technology programs.

• Central Region Report: Lisa Treiber, Regional Director

  1. The Central Region met December 7 in Mt. Pleasant. Institute updates were shared by the group covering the Greening Institute, HNI, and Children and Youth.
  2. Discussion also took place regarding Plans of Work.
3. The group will be sending periodic reminders to the Association regarding applying for the Doris Wetters Fellowship.
4. They discussed potential topics for the Spring meeting if a Professional Development program is needed.
5. Discussion took place about collaboration with one or more regions to focus on expanding our technology knowledge. (Including moodle, cantasia, Pinterest, blogging) This topic was also shared with another region and may take place in the near future in a central location.
6. The Central Region ended their meeting by watching the NEAFCS Webinar together and participating in their first annual ornament exchange. They are scheduled to meet again in Mt. Pleasant February 15, 2013.

- Southeast Region Report: Terry Clark-Jones, Regional Director

1. The Southeast region met on Friday, Dec. 7, 2012 in Genesee County. Welcomed two new members - Rachel Myers and Michelle Releford.

2. Majority of the meeting was discussing our responsibilities for awards. A small committee was formed to review the 2013 award applications due to Terry on Jan 15, 2013. Gail and Terry will work on updating the MEAFCS awards website. The group also brainstormed members and programs to encourage to apply for 2013.

3. There was a discussion on where to store historical records. Cathy Newkirk will explore protocol of options for handling the records. Eileen will also contact Cindy Strauss for guidance.

4. The region requested that the board representatives for MCEA bring up for discussion Censorship on articles and special interest group control related to this.

5. The region also set up the meeting dates for 2013.

VII. Old Business

- MCEA - Jennifer, Diana, and Eileen will attend in February. We have three voting delegates. Jennifer will bring up the topic of article censorship and special interest group input.
- Membership - We currently have 25 paid members with many others pending. Jennifer will bring up the topic of individuals paying for dues from Revenue accounts. Many have dropped out or will not join due to the cost of dues.
- Portal Page - Gail has reworked the page. No additional changes were recommended.
- Update from President's Webinar -
1. Jennifer has completed the Affiliate and President’s reports and submitted them.
2. Encourage members to join National committees.
3. Members can assume National office. There are numerous openings. You can self-nominate and need permission from your University.
4. JCEP - Memphis, TN.
5. PILD - April, 2013. Joyce will attend. Scholarships are available.
6. Galaxy is Sept. in Pittsburgh.
7. National needs help with awards.
8. Lifetime membership - Can now be paid for in two installments.
9. Impact Statements - Due Feb. 1, 2013. Jennifer has sent out the template and asked for assistance from all the major workgroups. Joyce will assist with trying to re-engage folks after January 15th (following final MIPRS reporting).

VIII. New Business
- Board Orientation - Consensus to meet face to face in February. Midland/Mt. Pleasant would be central. We would have a board orientation that includes all regional directors. Jennifer will explore dates and Diana will send out a poll.
- Calendar - The Friday calls worked well last year. Jennifer will follow up with Holly and Carolyn to see if we can continue with that schedule.
- Awards - Are due 2-15-13 to National; January 15 to Terry Jones. Encourage members to submit.
- Public Affairs - Impact Statements are due 2-1-13.

IX. Adjourn - Motion by Terry, Support by Eileen to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 pm. **Motion Carried.**