MEAFCS Board Meeting
Conference Call –March 14, 2014
Minutes

I. Call to Order at 1:34 p.m. Board members present-Diana Fair, Lynn Krahm, Denise Aungst, Terry Jones, Gail Innis, Leatta Byrd, Zelda Felix-Motley, Jane Hart, Laurie Messing, Carolyn Penniman

II. Additions to Agenda-FCSEM Booth

III. Approval of Agenda- Motion to approve by Denise. Support by Leatta. Motion carried

IV. Approval of Board Minutes
   • January 2014 Board Meeting: Motion to approve by Terry. Support by Jane. Motion carried.
   • February 2014 Board meeting: Motion to approve by Carolyn. Support by Lynn. Motion carried.
   • February 2014 Executive meeting: Motion to approve by Lynn. Support by Laurie. Motion carried

V. Appointment of Committee to Review Minutes: Diana, Gail, Terry

VI. Officer Reports-Diana Fair

President-Diana Fair
   • Conducted meeting 1.10.14
   • Reviewed minutes from 1.10.14 Board meeting
   • Emailed Louise from FCSEM that MEAFCS Board will not be meeting in conjunction with their conference but that FCS Educators from MSUE are interested in exhibit space and gave Gail Innis as the contact person.
   • Contacted Paula Sheynerman regarding adding archived minutes, membership lists and officer lists to the OD website. Copied Terry Clark-Jones as the contact person.
   • Discussed the Doris Wetters Fellowship and need to appoint a new 15+ year member to replace Kathe Hale who has retired. Emailed the Board with the request to confirm the appointment of Lisa Treiber to this position.
   • Participated in MCEA conference call on 1.31.14.
   • Attended JCEP National Conference in Memphis, TN.
   • Worked with Holly Tiret, President-Elect, to plan Spring Membership Meeting and Summer Board Retreat.
   • Reviewed seven session/poster proposals for 2014 NEAFCS National Conference in Lexington, KY.
   • Submitted names of four members for membership on NEAFCS National committees.
   • Reviewed five HNI Step II Portfolio Reviews
President Elect-Holly Tiret

- Made reservations for Spring Board Retreat in Birch Run for July 9 and 10
- Made reservations at Isabella MSUE Office for June 16 Member Meeting and June 17 Mindfulness Training – still need to secure lunch plans and put training on Events Management System
- Explored securing an exhibit table for MEAFCS in Kentucky – having some challenges with MSU Risk Management because of insurance and other requirements requested that they do not provide. Suggest further discussion on how to proceed.
- Because of a research project I am involved in – I will not be able to participate in two conference calls in March or May.

Past President-Jennifer Berkey

- Participated in the MCEA call in January.
- Participated in the MEAFCS budget call in January
- Forwarded correspondence from NEAFCS to Holly and Diana

Secretary-Laurie Messing

- Attended Jan and Feb Board and executive meetings
- Complied minutes for review from the Jan, Feb and Feb executive meetings
- Reviewed the new website-shared Dec Board minutes for site

Treasurer-Lynn Krahn

- Current checkbook balance is $3,195.68
- Reimbursed Diana Fair for JCEP travel in amount of $761.59
- Received one new membership from Daniel Perez of Oakland County
- Total membership is at 39 (1 is free), so dues received are $5,510
- After Perez membership deposit and a payment to NEAFCS of $100 (payment approved by Diana, Terry and Carolyn), new balance will be $3,240.68

VII. Regional Reports-Holly Tiret

UP North Region – Denise Aungst/Carolyn Penniman

A conference call was held in January with the membership. Request for professional development ideas, needs, etc. has been made to region members.

Central Region-Jane Hart

No report. Next meeting date is scheduled for March 2014.

Southeast Region- Terry Clark-Jones/Gail Innis

The Southeast region will be meeting on April 25th in Lapeer County. Our charge is Member Services. We are currently working on updating the MEAFCS member recruitment brochure. Cathy
Newkirk and Carrie Shirer are working on that and will have a draft ready at the April meeting. An updated list of 2014 members was sent to Paula (ANR) to be placed on the MEAFCS web page. A reminder email was also sent out to potential members in mid-January that it was still time to join for 2014.

Future plans are to create strategies to recruit potential members and recruit and involve lifelong members.

New-Staffing update:  
Erin Powell- HNI-SNAP-ED Genesee  
Moses Cantu- GMI-FHE Genesee  
Helena Fleming - GMI-FHE Macomb  
LaShawn Brown- GMI-FHE Macomb

Southwest -Leatta Byrd/Zelda Felix-Mottley

The SW MEAFCS was scheduled to meet on January 31, 2014 but was postponed due to bad weather.

The district meeting was held on Friday, February 7, 2014 at the Calhoun County office both state and National awards were reviewed by the awards committee. All award applications were submitted on February 14, 2014. Leatta received confirmation from National that they had received Michigan awards applications for 2014.

SW next district meeting is scheduled for Friday March 21, 2014 at the Calhoun County office.

VII. New Business

- MEAFCS 2013-14 Budget approval. Draft budget was presented. Motion to approve by Jane. Support by Gail. Motion carried.
- Doris Wetters representatives-need for replacement for Rita for the 15+ year representative slot. Recommended to appoint Carolyn Penniman beginning in July when Rita retires and Rita will move to the retiree representative. Gail and Suzanne hold the 5-15 slots. 15+ year slots are held by Lisa and Rita. Motion to approve Carolyn as Rita replacement by Terry. Support by Lynn. Motion carried
- Reimbursement form—form will be added to the MEAFCS website for easier access for anyone who needs it. Lynn will submit to Paula.
- MCEA-online auction is happening. Bid by March 17.
- FCSEM booth-Gail shared $25 for booth fee. Conference is Aug 5-7 in Frankenmuth. Wed from noon-5:15, Thurs from 7 a.m.-afternoon. Gail will check with the HNI work teams to see if they are interested in sharing a booth.
- Conference call dates for March and May-Holly is unable to attend these meetings. We will leave meeting dates and ask for updates from her.

IX. Old Business

- Spring Membership Meeting-details are being finalized for June 16 meeting
- MEAFCS Professional Development training-details being finalized for the June 17
training. Social Emotional work group is presenting the Mindfulness training. Date/location needs to be announced ASAP to allow staff to save the date on their calendars

- Portal Migration/New MEAFCS Website-check out the new website. Migration is complete
- Changing the bylaws to reflect electing officers by online ballots-Diana checked the bylaws recently. Bylaw changes will need to be voted on at the Spring membership meeting. Region with Member services responsibilities will handle this task-SE Region.
- Awards Update-See SW Report
- PILD – April 6-9th –Sharon Jeffrey will represent
- Board Suggestions-none

Meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m. Motion by Jane. Support by Gail. Motion carried.

Next meeting is April 11.