

## **MEAFCS Meeting: October 21, 2014**

**Attending:** Nori Pearce, Kelly Moore, LeaAnn Larson, Alice Burchak, Lisa Terry, Marsha Goetting, Sheryl Knowels, Diann, Sandy Bailey, Jeff Bader, Katelyn Anderson, Meghan Phillippi, Larry Brence, Joel Schumacher, Phyllis Hanssen, Jackie Rumph, Laurie Lutt, Denis Sielstad, Kendra Sielstad, Sheila Fredricks, Tara Andrews, Ardis Oelkers, Roubie Younkin, Wendy Wedum, Jane Woolery, Jennifer Anderson.

Nori called the meeting to order.

**Minutes:** Tara moved to approve the minutes and Denise seconded them. Motion passed. Joel read the treasurer's report. He will earmark a line item for the National Conference (NEAFCS).

### **Announcements:**

**Sandy Bailey:** Nori introduced the new FCSC Program Leader. She would like to help specialists connect to agents. She needs ideas for the agent update May 5th, 6th and 7th possibly at Big Sky. Jane mentioned a topic on creating a Montana needs based program, utilizing specialist areas and agents.

**NEAFCS:** Report by Tara, Nori, Denise, and Sheila- Discussed how visible Kentucky was and various workshops.

**PILD:** Nori introduced the topic and stated Lisa would like to apply for the scholarship to attend the leadership development conference.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Alumni:** Keri did a great job on the newsletter. Gayle Mugley and Bernie Mason are interested in helping with NEAFCS 2016

**Awards:** National and Regional – Montana agents did very well. Jane Woolery received 2<sup>nd</sup> at the National Level in photography. Jane and Lisa Terry received regional awards.

**By Laws:** Discussion about whether IRS info needs to be added and a dissolution clause added to by Laws. Mary Anne may report at next meeting.

**Member Resources:** Sheila stated there was nothing to update on.

**Professional Development:** Alice reported Nori and Wendy applied and will be receiving rewards and reimbursement upon completion of the AFCPE certification.

**Public Affairs:** Lynn Paul may report at the next meeting.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Meeting updated for NEAFCS 2016-Sandy volunteered to check with campus students about assisting. Vogel Replacement- Sandy, Tara, Marsha, Joel, Barb Allen, Mitch and Ben are all on search committee

### **New Business:**

NEAFCS 2016 Conference Support- Joel stated that we are receiving \$2000 from Ag and \$4000 from 4-H

Wendy moved to earmark \$4000 from operating funds for 2016 conference. Phyllis 2nd

2016 Dues- Joel reported and reminded members to update online profile.

Jane moved to leave dues the current amount, Roubie 2nd the motion, after a vote the motion failed.

Jane move to increase dues by \$15 LeaAnn 2nd, after a vote the motion passed.

Professional Development Awards-Apply for the DSA and MSA if you have attended enough national conferences

Regional Directors for NEAFCS- Nori stated that due to cost, the organization was considering eliminating the regional directors of NEAFCS. Let Nori know thoughts, so members can be represented when she votes. Sheila and Nori feel the West need regional directors due to our lower population.

2015 Update-Send ideas to Sandy

Ice Breaker Award- Award for breaking the ice in the community. Traditionally passed on by previous winner, Lynn will pass it on during the next meeting.

Jeff Bader asked about commitment from neighboring states for 2016 conference. Sheila and Tara stated that we had many offers for man power and hospitality hosts.

Nori called the meeting to adjournment, Lisa 2nd.