

**MEAFCS Minutes**  
**Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**Santé Fe Reds, Bozeman**

Vice-President Mary Anne Keys called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Those in attendance were: *Marsha Goetting, Ardis Oelkers, Judy Johnson, Jennifer Wells, Bernie Mason, Sheila Friedrich, Tara Andrews, Lynn Paul, Denise Seilstad, Mary Anne Keyes, Kathy Revello, Adele Stenson, Jona McNamee, Diann Pommer, Jane Wolery, Carrie Benke, Dave Phillips, Paula Enkerud, Doug Steele, Lisa Terry, Phyllis Dennee, Sandy Bailey, Karen Tyra, and Meghan Phillippi.*

Guests Lisa Terry (Stillwater County), Carrie Benke (4-H Health Project), Phyllis Dennee (Lifetime Member), and Karen Trya (retired Stillwater County Agent) were recognized.

Marsha Goetting presented Karen Tyra, retired Stillwater County Agent, with a NEAFCS lifetime membership from the members of MEAFCS and a gift.

**Secretary Report:** Jane Wolery moved to accept the minutes as presented. Jona McNamee seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Marsha Goetting reported a record membership, 29 members. Membership dues are due on December 1. Diann Pommer moved to accept the treasure's report, Phyllis Dennee seconded. Motion passed.

**Awards Report:** Bernie Mason, award committee chair, reported that there were no award recipients for Montana this year. Denise Seilstad was selected as the Distinguished Service Award recipient for Montana. Bernie encouraged all members to consider applying for an award.

**Unfinished Business:** Jane Wolery presented the changes recommended by the by-law revision committee. Bernie Mason moved to share the changes electronically with members, then vote electronically to accept or reject them (requires 2/3 majority). Jennifer Wells seconded. Motion passed.

Marsha Goetting (History of MEAFCS Committee) presented a history of MEAFCS for review. Members were invited to share additional information with the committee.

Kathy Revello (National Cookbook Project Committee) reported that the NEAFCS Living Well Reference Books are now available. MEAFCS will receive a percentage of all books sold in Montana.

Jennifer Wells (Website Review Committee) reported that the committee had reviewed the program share portion of the MEAFCS website. There is agreement that the Program Share portion would be important for the tenure process, but the committee is not certain that this format would count as peer review. At this point the committee is not sure how to proceed. The item was added to the agenda for New Business.

Tara Andrews (Scholarship Committee) presented the changes proposed for the Scholarship Guidelines. Changes include changing the name from Scholarship to Professional Development and editing the selection process. She will send them out electronically to the members, and then the group will vote electronically.

**New Business:**

A committee consisting on Tara Andrews, Paula Enkerud, Jona McNamee, and Sheila Friedrich will reexamine the poster session and refereed presentations that take place during the MEAFCS Update. The goal is to come up with a more balanced format and sharing experience.

Jane Wolery reported that she, her administrative assistants and her mother scanned the entire MEAFCS historical files maintained secretary. She delivered a disc containing the files to Marsha Goetting, Treasurer, and Meghan Phillippi, Secretary. Paula Enkerud moved to submit the historical files no longer in use to the MSU Renne Library. Jane Wolery seconded. Motion passed. Marsha Goetting will check into how to submit the files.

Tara Andrews moved that the Website Program Share issue be referred back to committee (Jennifer Wells, Sheila Friedrich and Tara Andrews).

Jennifer Wells moved to donate \$500 to the MSU Extension Foundation. Denise Seilstad seconded. Motion passed.

Jennifer Wells moved to send a \$20 thank you gift to Jane's office for the time and effort they put into scanning the historical MEAFCS files. Karen Tyra seconded. Motion passed. Jane will select a gift.

Lynn Paul led a 10 minute discussion regarding statewide FCS Program Promotion.

The membership was reminded to pay dues. National dues remain \$75 and state dues are \$25. Registration will be on the NEAFCS website.

Jane Wolery moved to adjourn. Adele Stenson seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Meghan Phillippi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

Meghan Phillippi, Secretary