

Minutes June 16, 2014 FCS PLN Conference Call

May 8 FCS PLN was rescheduled due to conflict with the Smith Lever Centennial Celebration in Washington, D.C.

Attendance:

Alabama: N/A

Arkansas: Ann Sartor, UA

Florida: N/A

Georgia: Debbie Murray, UGA

Kentucky: Kris Grimes, KSU; Joanne Bankston, KSU; Cherry Kay Smith, UK

Louisiana: N/A

Mississippi: N/A

North Carolina: N/A

Oklahoma: Dorothy Wilson, Langston U.

Puerto Rico: N/A

South Carolina: N/A

Tennessee: Leslie Speller-Henderson

Texas: Jocelyn White, Prairie View A&M

AGENDA

Call to order Brian Calhoun

Meeting was called to order at 3 p.m.

Review of Agenda Brian Calhoun
No additions were made to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes Debbie Murray

The last meeting scheduled in conjunction with the Board of Human Sciences was attended only by Debbie Murray, Cherry Kay Smith and Jorge Atilles; therefore no business was conducted. The minutes of the January 9, meeting were approved as emailed.

Update from Advisors: No advisors were in attendance.

FCS Leader Retiree Gifts Debbie Murray

A discussion was held regarding retiree gifts. At least three program leaders have retired and no gifts have been purchased. Crystal has been purchased before. It was decided that Debbie would contact the retirees to see what type of appreciation of service they would prefer. Further discussion will be held at the August SPRLN meeting in Fort Worth.

eXtension Letter Kris Grimes
Kris recreated notes from the eXtension discussion in Nashville and will draft the letter.

FCS core competency assessment Laura Stephenson

Laura was not able to participate in the call.

Formulating Our Agenda for Texas

Brian Calhoun

The agenda for Texas will be drafted before the end of July. A survey will be sent to members for agenda items.

Drafting our Plan of Work

Kris Grimes

We want to have most of the plan of work drafted before our meeting in August so we can spend our time of agenda items of importance to the region.

Action Items for Directors

Kris

Kris encouraged the group to think about the kinds of action items to send to the directors. Examples of poor and good action items from the PLN Officer Training were shared.

ECOP's Framework for Health/Wellness

Debbie

The Joint Committees on Organization and Policy will be meeting in San Diego on July 21-23. The ECOP Framework for Health/Wellness will be the agenda for the meeting. It was recommended that Carol Rice, Texas A & M and a member of the ECOP Health Task Force, be invited to discuss the framework and its impact.

Updating FCS PLN Membership List/Listserv

Debbie

Caroline Crocoll, USDA-NIFA, Director-Division of Family & Consumer Sciences, compiled a directory of all FCS leaders across the country and sent it to the listserv. This will be used to update our SR FCS PLN membership list.

Update from NIFA

Beverly Samuel

National Institute of Food and Agriculture Update – Beverly Samuel

- Family and Consumer Sciences Directory of Leaders and has been disseminated by Dr. Caroline Crocoll. Please notify her of any changes.
- The NIFA listserv of FCS Leaders has also been updated.
- The Rural Development Centers are exploring bringing a team together for a meeting in Washington, DC to determine how the various program leaders for disciplines may work together more effectively on a regional level with the Centers. Southern Region will need to identify one or two representatives from Family and Consumer Sciences to attend. More information will be forthcoming.
- Dr. Caroline Crocoll has requested to be included on distribution list for minutes and correspondence from the Southern Region. Her e-mail is ccrocoll@nifa.usda.gov
- Southern Region is asked to identify a Point of Contact for the Planning Team for the Family & Consumer Sciences Leaders' meeting that will be held at the NEAFCS Annual Session in September. Please let Caroline Crocoll know and Cc: Beverly Samuel at bsamuel@nifa.usda.gov

who the POC will be for Southern Region. The theme which will be the focus is Rural Vitality and Health. Each region will be asked to take an active role in presenting or coordinating input on the program.

- Dr. Michael Vogel is working on a promotional video for the Master Family & Consumer Sciences Volunteer Program. The promotional video and other new materials will be showcased at the NEAFCS Annual Session. The toolkit for the program is already available online at <http://www.masterFCSvolunteerprogram.info>. Complimentary toolkits are still available for state Family & Consumer Sciences leaders from Montana State University.