

Conference Call Minutes
Family & Consumer Sciences Taskforce for Program Advancement
May 7, 2007, 2:30 p.m. Mountain, 3:30 p.m. Central, 4:30 p.m. Eastern
Dial into AAFCS 703-706-4600 if you have prepaid phone service or 800-424-8080.

Taskforce Participants:

Ann Austin, HEU Graduate Commission; Duane Whitbeck, HEU Undergraduate Commission; Jorge Atilas, University of Georgia, Extension representative to this taskforce; Bonnie Braun, AAFCS President-Elect; Billie Collier, Past President of Council of Administrators of FCS (CAFCS); Janet Pope, Chair, CAFCS; Geardean Johnson, Council of 1890s FCS Administrators; Barbara Stewart, College, University and Research section of AAFCS, University & Research Section; Virginia Vincenti, AAFCS, Past President; Gay Nell McGinnis, AAFCS Credentialing Director; and Steve Jorgensen, Chair, AAFCS HEU; Francille Firebaugh, Senior Consultant to the Provost, Visiting Fellow International Agriculture, & Former Dean of the College of Human Ecology.

Taskforce Goal: To proactively and collaboratively strengthen FCS higher education programs.

Volunteer to take the minutes. Thanks to Geardean for taking the minutes on 4/2/07. When taking the minutes, change the heading of AGENDA to MINUTES.

The April 2, 2007 minutes were distributed by Geardean.

Adjustments to the agenda if needed.

Old Business:

[If you cannot participate in the conference call or if it would save us time during our conference call, please email your report to the task force members before the conference call. This will save time for discussion of other issues.]

Budget (Should we compile all sources & uses in the CAFCS-TFPA account?) (Ginny)

Update on Nomenclature work (letters to AERA & ETS,
(List of all "places" where HE has been changed to FCS) (Duane)

Case study examples, of recent structural changes, OK State U., KSU (Steve)

Update on AAFCS session: Adapting to Rapid Changes and Current Needs (Duane)

Update on TFPA-WIS database project (Ginny)

New Business:

Update on collaboration of TFPA-WIS w/ another org for continuing funding (Steve)

Compilation of surveys of alums & employers done by individual FCS units (including notable alums)-How and who will do what?

"Barbara suggested the need for the compilation of surveys of alums and employers conducted by individual FCS units. This may be a resource. In terms of the surveys, Ginny suggested we analyze the cost in relation to the benefit and answer the question: Is the cost worth it? Knowing the format may be important. She suggested that we may ask individuals to post their survey forms to the TFPA website. There could be a link to take people to the site. Survey would be on an institution website."

Headcounter on TFPA website (one or one for each page?) (Steve)

Other challenges we should be addressing?

E.g. questions researchers should be addressing about our Field/discipline/profession in higher education?

Next conf call date and time will be _____ at _____ EDST, _____ CDST, _____ EDST.
(Remember for Barbara Stewart to participate 3:00 p.m. CDST is 6:00 a.m. Melbourne, AU time.)