

Minutes
Conference Call
Family & Consumer Sciences Taskforce for Program Advancement
March 23, 2006, 4 p.m. EDST, 3 p.m. CDST, 2 p.m. MDST

Taskforce Participants on this Call in Bold:

Ann Austin, HEU Graduate Commission; Duane Whitbeck, HEU Undergraduate Commission; Jorge Atilas, University of Georgia, Extension representative; Dixie Crase, AAFCS President-Elect; **Carol Kellett, Board of Human Sciences (BOHS); Mary Pritchard, Past President of Council of Administrators of FCS (CAFCS); Billie Collier, President, CAFCS; Gearldean Johnson, 1890s Institution 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.**

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

Mary Pritchard agreed to take the minutes.

The minutes of the February 10, 2006 minutes were approved as distributed.

Carol asked to add a discussion of BoHS futuring to the agenda. She announced that she will no longer be serving on TFPA after June. A new BoHS representative will be appointed.

Old Business:

- Linking TFPA website to other organizational websites was discussed. Gay Nell reported that AAFCS is in motion through their IT unit. Carol reported that BoHS is working on this through Eddie Gouge, who needs to work with the NASULGC technology staff. Steve will check on connecting AAFCS & BoHS to the TAFP website. Carol reported that BoHS has a separate website, www.thebohs.org that holds membership information due to turn around. Carol will check with Robin Douthitt and Shirley Baugher regarding placing this link on the TFPA website. BoHS is discussing the need for a staff position to maintain their membership list.
- The progress on getting home economics updated to FCS in databases. Mary reported on Duane's success in getting the name changed in the Library of Congress system. Several additional Chronicle of Higher Education reports, such as the salary survey, now use the new name.
- Mary and Billie provided an update of the administrator workshop that is being coordinated by CAFCS. The task force is developing the curriculum based on the Reflective Human Action model. The presentations will provide a coordinated and integrated approach using key concepts from the RHA model. Applications will be accepted until 1 May 2006 and TFPA members were encouraged to recruit more participants. Application forms are available on the CAFCS website. It is expected that there will not be another workshop for another 5 years. A Kellogg Grant will provide fellowships for Hispanic & other minorities including administrators from Central & South America and funding for follow-up evaluation for 2 years. The workshop will include mentoring of new & emerging administrators by

seasoned administrators. Workshop presentations will be posted on TFP website after the workshop to offer support to administrators in the field.

- “Organizational & Structural Change in FCS Programs in H. Ed.” Was accepted for presentation at AAFCS Conference on Sat. 6/24 4:30-5:30 p.m. This will be an oral presentation and not a roundtable format. The roundtable will need to be canceled.

Steve reported his research findings as a PowerPoint presentation BoHS in early March. The report generated lots of comments and interest in a follow-up study. He promised to post the report on the TFP website after June.

- Steven sent a reminder to Karla Hughes to send her presentation from BOHS 2 years.

Old Unfinished Business from Decision Summary:

- Ginny reported that the final version of the Vision and Scope Document for TFP database project will be posted on the TFP website. She will not post the proposed document that contains more technical information.
- Ginny reported that she and Barbara are working on a draft of manuscript on the database project. She will send the draft to TFP for review and critique, and TFP will make suggestions as to where to submit.
- Financial support for completion of the Database Project has been confirmed. AAFCS-HEU, BoHS and CAFCS have each approved \$500 to support. The organizations should send a check to Ginny that is payable to the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at University of Wyoming.

New Business:

- Billie and Ginny reported on the new Carnegie Classification of higher education institutions. The group agreed that this information should be added to the TFP database. A link to the Carnegie website: www.carnegiefoundation.org/classification will be added to the TFP website.
- The group discussed the proposal to place a link to the NCES website on the TFP website. The URL is www.nces.ed.gov Carol & Billie will review and decide whether we should include. If they recommend inclusion, they will prepare a brief description and
- Carol asked how the FAEIS database and TFP data base fit together. It was agreed that the two data bases are complementary rather than redundant. The benchmarking project begun by BoHS will be added to the FAEIS database. Oklahoma State has just finished a survey of research that fits into this picture. It was agreed that the FAEIS benchmarking is largely financial and quantitative information and that TFP lists structures and accreditations.

We need to look at what needs to be added to information for the profession. It was agreed that we should prepare a table that compares the various data sources and post it on the website. Mary and Billie said that this information would be very useful for the

administrators workshop scheduled for late July. It was agreed that July 1 be the target date for completion. Ginny has the list of TFPA items and Steve will prepare one for FAEIS. Steve is the new FAEIS coordinator for BoHS.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 24 April at 1:30 central time. Gay Nell set up the conference call with AAFCS.

Agenda items include:

- Maintenance of the TFPA database, which should include leaders of the organizations who are not currently on TFPA..
- Proposed study of Presidents, Provosts, Chancellors and other decision-makers on campus to compare with Steve's findings. The discussion at BoHS identified both pros and cons to another survey. Some expressed concern as to whether we would focus attention on us that would lead to unintended consequences. Who should do it? Should we mask the fact that we are doing this and front this effort with other names?
- Ginny expressed interest in conducting an extensive qualitative study to follow-up on the work of this task force, which would include anonymous interviews of central administrators. The panel at AAFCS might provide a beginning for this.
- The group discussed funding for TFPA website for 2006. Billie & Mary will check on the amount spent and send information on status of the account held by CAFCS. The 3 groups may need to contribute again, possibly \$200 each.