

Conference Call Minutes
Family & Consumer Sciences Taskforce for Program Advancement
December 13, 2006, 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; **Mary Prichard**, Past President of Council of Administrators of FCS (CAFCS); **Billie Collier**, Chair, CAFCS; **Gearldean 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. **[Those in bold were in attendance.]**

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

Minutes of the November 20, 2006 that Barbara Stewart did were approved as distributed.

Old Business:

TFPA DATABASE

Ginny asked that all TFPA members please go into the TFPA-WIS database and critique the report formats and the relevancy of the reports there. Are there other reports that you will need? <http://tfpa.cafcs.org/Home.aspx>. When you get into the authorized user page and click on reports, the Access software image at the bottom of the screen is the link into the reports. Then follow the directions to the menu of reports available at this time. These are templates of reports that can be used when the data becomes cleaner through the updating process.

CAFCS and BoHS representatives from TFPA will ask for a decision on the 2007 budget Ginny presented during the joint CAFCS/BoHS meeting Feb. 18-21.

Duane reported that he has not done additional work on the nomenclature update project since our last conference call. Lorna Browne indicated that she saw home economics still being used on the Library of Congress database. Lorna's contact information is (410) 465-4946 H, LornaBBrowne@aol.com. Duane will develop a list of all the "places" where the name of our profession has been updated and any directions that will be helpful in doing searches on these sites. He will share it w/ the Taskforce which will then decide how and when to make the list public. Gay Nell reported that letters to have the name changed has gone out to ETS and Am. Lib. Association and AERA to be forwarded to HERSIG from AAFCS asking that the name of the profession be updated. Ginny will check on who in HERSIG should received this letter so that the request that this SIG consider updating its name can be raised with its membership.

Expansion of Consultants list

Billie will bring this up at joint BoHS/CAFCS meeting in Feb. She will look to see if the application form is online. If not, she will ask Steve to have it loaded onto the TFPA website.

Case study examples, of recent structural changes, Marjorie Kostelnik,
Tammy Bray at Oregon State, OK State U., KSU

(Steve) **Tabled**

Proposed site map (reorganization) of TFPA-WIS website

The TFPA members present discussed the proposed website site map and made a couple of changes in reorganization. Ginny will send out and ask Steve to forward it to D. Mitstifer for Brian, the webmaster, to implement it. We want Brian's input concerning this proposal.

New Business:

Report on NASULGC meetings

There is no more information to report beyond what was reported during the previous conference call.

Discussion w/ FAEIS about incorporating TFPA-WIS into its system (Steve) **Tabled**

Most pressing agenda item for next conference call?

Surveys to alums and employers done by individual FCS units could be helpful in compiling national trends. It was suggested that compiling such data would be helpful, but the lack of consistency could be problematic since each FCS unit tends to design its own means of obtaining feedback. It was suggested that the questions and results might be added to our database. Ginny suggested that a committee or individual commit to doing this since she can't add this to her agenda at this point. Barbara said that it would be helpful to know which high-ranking people are graduates of FCS programs and the kinds of positions they hold. This, too, will be discussed at the upcoming BOHS/CAFCS meeting.

The next conf call will be on March 2 at 1:30 p.m. MT, 2:30 p.m. CT and 3:30 p.m. ET.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Vincenti