Minutes - Annual Meeting
North Carolina Association of Cooperative Extension Secretaries

Sheraton Motor Inn
Southern Pines, NC

September 21, 1979

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Association of Cooperative Extension Secretaries was held September 21, 1979 at the Sheraton Motor Inn, Southern Pines, NC.

The meeting was called to order by President Betsy Crews at 10:00 a.m. The invocation was given by Dr. Lester Dattler, Minister at the First Presbyterian Church in Carthage.

Recognition of special guest was made by Betsy Crews. They were Dr. Carlton Blalock, Director of North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service; Dr. Paul Dew, Asst. Director County Operations; Dr. Hugh Liner, North Central District Chairman; Dr. Dick Smith, Southwestern District Chairman; Mr. Ed Yancey, South Central District Chairman, and Mr. Ralph Sasser, acting Northwestern District Chairman. There were also three County Extension Chairman in attendance.

Cathy Fields, past NCACES President introduced Dr. Carlton Blalock, guest speaker who gave a very informative speech directed to Extension Secretaries.

Pamela Ginn, Secretary, called the roll by districts with the president of each district giving the number present. They were: Western - 3; Northwestern - 11; Southwestern - 20; North Central - 24; South Central - 25; Northeastern - 10 and Southeastern - 19, for a total of 112 secretaries attending. She also read a letter from Dr. Chester D. Black, Associate Director of Extension who sent his regrets for not attending the meeting. Dr. W. G. Andrews, Southeastern District Extension Chairman also sent his regrets for not attending.

Dr. Carlton Blalock then asked for questions from the floor.

Door prizes were given out by Cathy Fields and Jeannie Johnson from Bladen County.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:30 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at approximately 1:00 p.m. with President Betsy Crews presiding.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that we dispense with the reading of the minutes since everyone had received a copy and no changes needed to be made.

Dr. Paul Dew asked for any questions anyone might have.

Reba Hodges, Treasurer, gave the treasurer's report with a balance of $1,898.17 on hand as of September 1, 1979. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS

Francis O'Neal reported that South Carolina is now organized. Virginia is organized in part and Georgia and Tennessee have been sent letters.
At the May 31 Board of Directors meeting in Raleigh Dr. Carlton Blalock reported that a plaque would be presented to all Extension employees who retire including secretaries.

District Presidents were asked to forward information and suggestions for the newsletter to the Public Relations chairman thirty days after the planning meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Scholarship Award - The recipient of this year’s scholarship is Kristy Irene King, from the Northwestern District. The amount of the scholarship is $200.00.

The Board of Directors recommended that we change the name of our Association due to the Extension Specialist adopting NCACES in June 1973. It was recommended that we change to NCAAES, North Carolina Association of Agricultural Extension Secretaries. A motion was made and seconded that we accept this recommendation. The motion carried unanimously. Pamela Ginn, Secretary, will mail out a ballot to each secretary to be returned to her within a given date in order that we may reach a 2/3 majority.

It was suggested that a date be placed on all materials going out on the state and local level from our Association.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance:
  - Postage: $175.00
  - Stationary: 75.00
  - Speaker or Entertainment: 200.00
  - Host County Expenses: 250.00
  - Telephone: 75.00
  - Scholarship: 200.00
  - Handbook: 90.00
  - Subsistence for 5 State Officers to attend State Meeting): 125.00
  - Subsistence for 5 State Officers to attend Annual Planning Sessions: 125.00
  - Travel for State Officers to attend State Meeting and Annual Meeting at 17 cents per mile: 300.00
  - Miscellaneous: 25.00
  - Total budget for 1980: $1,640.00

- Goals & Aims: To continue to work for approved time for our District and State meetings.

- Membership: Put forth a “special” effort to encourage membership in the Association. Some of the districts suggested different types of membership drives.

- Professional Improvement: Encouraged secretaries to take advantage of courses offered. There are two films available through the Industrial Extension Service that would be very beneficial to use at district meetings - “A Team of Two” and “A Time of Your Life”.

- Public Relations: This committee did an excellent job of sending out our newsletter.

- Hospitality: Encouraged members to send thank you notes for door prizes they received.

- Nominating: The following slate of officers was presented by Sandra Smith, Chairman for the Nominating Committee, for approval.
  - President - Betty Penland (W)
  - 1st Vice President - Margaret Reynolds (SW)
  - 2nd Vice President - Cynthia Potter (SE)
  - Secretary - Nora Smith (SC)
  - Treasurer - Mariah McPherson (NC)
Motion made and seconded that we accept the slate of officers for 1980 as presented by the Nominating Committee. Passed unanimously.

Betty Penland, 1st Vice-President presented the "Executive Board Award" to Francis O'Neal of Catawba County for her diligent work to the Association. She has been most faithful in helping the other states to organize.

Erma S. Williamson, NCACES State Advisor installed the incoming officers for 1980.

The North Central District will host the 7th Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Association of Cooperative Extension Secretaries.

The remainder of the door prizes were given out.

President Betsy Crews thanked the South Central District for the excellent job they did hosting the 1979 meeting.

President Betsy Crews closed with a poem. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela G. Ginn, Secretary
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